



St Joseph's Church Wealdstone and Harrow Weald

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23rd August 2020



St Peter, *Atelier de Rubens 1616-18*

'Who Do You Say I AM?'

Each must make a personal answer to Our Lord's question: "Who do you say that I am?" although Peter's credo is a solid basis from which to begin. Notice the beautiful phrase: "Son of the Living God," expressing more richly what "Christ" means. Peter's worshipful faith comes to him as gift from above, not from any mere logic or ingenuity. Why was the blessing given to him in particular? Perhaps because his humble and contrite spirit made him best prepared to receive it? Or because God chooses whom He wills, irrespective of their merits? It is to this Peter that Jesus entrusts whatever is meant by the keys of the Kingdom of Heaven. Upon his solid, dedicated faith the Church will always rely, for unity and encouragement. Keys are mainly for opening; many doors lock by themselves.

The church is opened for you as follow:

- Monday: NO PUBLIC MASS OR PRIVATE PRAYER
- Tuesday: Public Mass (10.00am)
- Wednesday: Public Mass (10.00am)
- Thursday: Public Mass (10.00am)
- Friday: Public Mass (10.00am)
- Saturday: Public Mass (10am & 6pm)
- Sundays: (8:15 & 11:00 & 12.30). Both Saturday Masses are *accounted for a Sunday Mass.*

According to Government regulations, a record of attendance with name, contact details and time in church is needed. It will be kept securely for 21 days and then be destroyed. The stewards will give you the Contact card when you enter the church.

Appeal for PPE

Sourcing PPE, as everyone knows, is a huge issue at the moment. The unforeseen cost is a challenge, of course, at a time when weekly donations are dropping, so we are making an appeal for face masks, gloves, etc to protect the clergy, cleaners, stewards, servers, readers, Eucharist ministers and other parishioners. Please remember that we strongly advise that face coverings should be worn by all those attending a place of worship for personal prayer and mass.

Many thanks to everyone who has kindly donated during the past week. Your support is greatly appreciated.

A Mass of Thanksgiving was offered on Wednesday 19th August for our Stewards, Cleaners and their families – followed by a moment of sharing in our parish hall. We are very grateful to everyone who has helped to keep our church open during this difficult time. New volunteers are always welcome to join our teams.

OFFERTORY ENVELOPES

Since Services stopped in March, in Church offertory both envelope and loose have been reduced by over 75%.

Thank you for your continued support of St Joseph's Church, especially at this challenging time for everyone.

Your new box of envelopes is available to collect at the back of the church. Please check the list, take your box (and for your neighbours if possible) and then tick off the list, to say you have taken your new set.

If you are not in the Gift Aid scheme, and would still like a box for your contributions, please enquire at the Presbytery.

Contributions may be dropped at the Presbytery as well.

Many thanks, once again for your continued support.

May God Bless you and keep you safe!

Confirmation

We have sent our list of candidates to the Diocese and Bishops and Deans are still working on the practical side of the issue. You will be informed on time about the date and are waiting for advice regarding the Sacrament of Confirmation.



Sanctuary Lamp Intentions

Two lamps constantly burn before the tabernacle to indicate the presence of Our Lord in the Blessed Sacrament. The candles burn for 7 days - Saturday to Saturday. These may be offered for intentions at £10 each.

1. **Conor and all the Murphys (intentions)**
2. **Catherine's intentions**

Sanctuary Lamps can be booked at the presbytery.

From the Registers...

*Sienna Maya Lowery,
Tatiana Soares da Graça &
Thomas Soares da Graça
were baptised on Saturday 22nd August*

May the Lord bless them with His Love

Rosary intention for August

To stop Abortion and remember the sanctity of life from conception to natural death.

Pope's Intention for August

The Maritime World: We pray for all those who work and live from the sea, among them sailors, fishermen and their families.

Confessions

Due to Covid 19, if you wish to have confession, please contact one of the priests or make it by appointment through the Parish Office.

First Holy Communion 2020

First Reconciliation: Wednesday 2nd September & Wednesday 9th September at 6pm in the Church.

Our children will be making their First Holy Communion at special Masses during September and October: Saturday, 12th, 19th & 26th September and Saturday 3rd & 10th October at 10.00am.

Please ensure that your child is smartly dressed to reflect this solemn, spiritual and joyous occasion. For girls, a white or cream dress. For boys, smart shirt and formal trousers (tie optional) or a suit, if you prefer. Jeans, T-shirts and trainers are strictly not appropriate for this special occasion.

Please note: Each child may bring with them, 5 family members only.

A guide is available for parents to collect from the presbytery to help your child make their First Reconciliation.

Please continue to work through the 'I Belong' book and ensure that your children know their prayers, in particular the 'Sorry Prayer' (Act of Sorrow or Contrition) for their First Reconciliation.

If you would like to contribute towards decorating the church for the First Holy Communion Masses (flowers and ribbons on the pew ends) please leave your donation at the presbytery. Thank you for your kind donations so far.

Photography

Please note: No photography will be permitted during the First Holy Communion Mass.

We have a photographer who will be taking photos on the day and will also be available to take family photos. Please email the photographer, John Fernandes, direct with your child's name and date of communion and he will send you details.

Email: johnfernandes99@hotmail.com.

Recently Deceased

Father Terry Cantwell SDS. The funeral Mass will be celebrated on Sunday 23rd August at 10.00am & 6pm at Our Lady Mother of the Saviour, Chipperfield. On Monday 24th August at 11.30am another Mass will be held at St Saviour, Abbots Langley, followed by burial at Clamp Hill, Harrow Weald.

Neil Kilkenny (nephew of Eileen Coyle, Geraldine Roads and Frank Kelly) has passed away in New York.

May they rest in peace

**In thought, faith
In word, wisdom
In deed, courage
In life, service**