



St Joseph's Church Wealdstone and Harrow Weald

Served by the Society of the Divine Saviour – The Salvatorians

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27th Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year A

4th October 2020



October, month of the Holy Rosary

By tradition, the Catholic Church dedicates each month of the year to a certain devotion. The month of October is dedicated to the Holy Rosary, one of the best known of all Catholic devotions. October includes the Feast of Our Lady of the Rosary (October 7). The best way to celebrate the month is, of course, to pray the Rosary. Unfortunately, this valuable prayer may not be as prevalent today as it was in the past, due to Covid. The Rosary draws its mysteries from the New Testament and is centred on the great events of the Incarnation and Redemption with each decade referring to an event in the life of Jesus and Mary. The Mysteries of the Rosary give us “thumbnails” of the life of Christ and his Mother.

- The Joyful Mysteries are taken mostly from Saint Luke's Gospel in the New Testament. They involve the joyful events of Jesus' childhood.
- The Luminous Mysteries bring a deeper understanding to the public life of Jesus. They fill in the blanks between the childhood of Jesus and His suffering and death on the cross.

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Conscious of the great power of the Holy Rosary, Pope Francis has invited all the faithful to pray the Holy Rosary, that “sweet chain that links heaven and earth”, during the month of October.

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 complete the Contact card for you when you enter the church. Please note the wearing of face masks during Mass is mandatory. Please do not attend Mass if you are displaying symptoms of Covid-19 or are feeling unwell. Please do not touch or kiss any statues in the church during this time for the safety of everyone.

YOUR MASSES

Cycle of Readings Year A: Weekday Cycle Year 2 (27th week)

Monday: No Public Mass or Private Prayer

Tuesday: Public Mass (10.00am)

Wednesday: **Our Lady of the Rosary**
Public Mass (10.00am)

Thursday: Public Mass (10.00am)

Friday: Public Mass (10.00am)

Saturday: **No Public Mass at 10.00am due to FHC**
Public Mass (6.00pm)

Sunday: Public Mass (8.15am, 11.00am & 12.30pm)

Both Saturday Masses account for a Sunday Mass.

Please Note: The wearing of face masks during Mass is mandatory.

SPECIAL CONFIRMATION 2020

We have now received your completed forms for Confirmation 2020. You will have received an email asking you to confirm your details and dates for Confession and Confirmation. Two dates were removed due to lack of numbers (21st & 22nd October). We apologise if you had chosen either of these dates – new dates have been allocated to you.

The dates for Confession are: **Thursday 8th October and Friday 9th October at 6pm in the Church.** The Celebration of Confirmation will be on **Wednesday 14th October, Thursday 15th October, Friday 16th October, and Friday 23rd October at 6pm in the Church.** Please arrive at **5.40pm in the Church before Confession and Confirmation in order to prepare yourself for these Sacraments.**

Remember that each candidate may bring a maximum of 5 guests each (including the sponsor).

All sessions from this year's confirmation course are available on our website (under Sacraments). Please ensure that you complete the course before making your confirmation. If you have any queries please email the parish office : office@catholicwealdstone.org.

12.30pm Mass

Please note that from Sunday 11th October the 12.30pm Mass will be moved to the slightly later time of 12.45pm. This is to allow more time to clean the church after the 11.00am Mass.

Use of the Church Toilets

We regret to inform you that due to Covid-19 the toilets in the church will remain closed. We realise that this will cause difficulties for some of our parishioners and apologise but this is necessary for everyone's safety. Mass is livestreamed at 10.00am on weekdays and 11.00am on Sunday.

Appeal for PPE

Due to your generosity we now have good stocks of face masks & gloves. We would, however, be grateful for donations of hand sanitiser for parishioners to use when they enter the church.

Our grateful thanks and prayers go to everyone who has kindly donated during the past weeks. Your support is greatly appreciated.



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. Ann Nagle +
2. Jo (recovery)

First Holy Communion

Our final group of children will be making their First Holy Communion next Saturday 10th October at 10.00am.

Please note, this celebration is for the families only. There will be no public Mass at 10.00am on 10th October

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.

Pope's Intention for October

The Laity's Mission in the Church: We pray that by the virtue of baptism, the laity, especially women, may participate more in areas of responsibility in the Church.

Rosary Intention for October

Our Lady's Intentions: "Do whatever He tells you."

Repository

The Repository will open occasionally. Only 2 people will be allowed in the shop at one time for social distancing.

Salvatorian College Open Evenings

Socially-distanced Open Evening on Monday 5 October 4.30-7.30pm (guided tours by appointment only). Virtual Open Evening on Thursday 15 October 6.30-7.30pm (registration required). For further details, please visit www.salvatoriancollege.com/admissions.

University Catholic Chaplaincy

Those who are going to University this autumn should be aware that there is a Catholic Chaplaincy at each University and Higher Education College. Besides the normal weekend masses many social activities and other groups are organised by the Chaplaincies. A list of University Chaplaincies can be found at catholicsatuniversity.org.uk

Pen Pals for Senior Citizens

We at St Joan of Arc know how difficult lockdown has been for so many people over the last few months and recognise how many of the restrictions can be very isolating. We would love the opportunity to support you or someone you may know who you think would like to have a pen pal. Although it is not the same as face to face we think it is something that many may like to participate in. It is also a great chance to get back to some hand written exchanges and allow us to take a break from the immediate nature which comes with emails. This is a great chance for the different generations to stand together and support one another in these very difficult times, and hold true to our belief that we must "Do to others as you would have them do to you." Keep safe!

If you are interested or know anyone who may be interested please contact St Joan of Arc and ask to speak to Miss Gaughan 01923 773881

Recently Deceased

Tara Marina Mohammed (sister of Pam Singh). Died in Canada.

Stephen Jones (son of Bernie Jones, and brother of Karen Jones). Died in Plymouth. Funeral to be arranged.

Dominic Warren (Son of Linda Warren and Grandson of Erna Irving). Funeral to be arranged.

May they rest in peace