



St Joseph's Church Wealdstone and Harrow Weald

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8th November 2020

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5 November 2020

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Jesus Christ,

As we enter this second 'lockdown' and loss of communal celebration of Mass, I wish to add these few words.

This is a time for us to show our strength. And by that I do not mean strength in defiance. I mean strength in mutual support; strength in service; strength in perseverance and hope. I mean, then, the strength of our faith in action.

The first act of faith is the praise of God. It is deep and constant prayer. This must be at the root of our lives, as individuals, as families, as households. I urge you, then, to stay faithful to daily patterns of prayer. Pray privately; pray together at home; come to church to pray; pray without ceasing. I thank God that our churches remain open to be places of peace and prayer, and the live streaming of the Mass, celebrated every day in our churches, is a great help. But that too must be rooted in our own life of prayer.

Only by receiving the living water from the Lord will we pass through this arid time. Indeed, if we stay close to the Lord, we will be changed for the better by this time of crisis.

The second act of faith is humble service. This is the road we are to follow: service of each other; outreach to the lonely; nourishment for the hungry; compassion for the sick, the isolated, the dying, especially those facing death alone, and those who mourn. Let's do it.

These are the strengths we have, the strengths we must contribute to our society's way of life. Only in this day-to-day practice can we shape a different future, a better future, one that is more compassionate, more just, more charitable. This is the future which must come out of this crisis. We cannot just wait to 'get back to normal'. This is a time to rebuild a better family, a better household, a better neighbourhood, a better world.

May God bless and sustain us all in the weeks ahead.

Yours devotedly,

Cardinal Vincent Nichols

Archbishop of Westminster



November

The Month of the Holy Souls

Please take an envelope from the back of church and return it to the presbytery with your list of deceased relatives and friends who you wish to be remembered during the month of November. The list will be placed on the Altar of Repose and the names remembered at all November masses.

3-day votive candles are also available near to the Sanctuary at £3 each. Please use the lighters provided. FOR YOUR SAFETY, DO NOT LIGHT CANDLES ONE FROM ANOTHER

Eternal rest grant unto them O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them.

May they rest in peace.

Amen

Sick & Retired Priests

There will be a second collection this weekend for sick & retired priests. Money raised will be split between Westminster Diocese and the Salvatorian Community. Envelopes for your donations at the back of the Church – please post them through the Presbytery letterbox. We thank you in advance for your kind generosity

YOUR MASSES

Cycle of Readings Year A: Weekday Cycle Year 2 (32nd week)

- Monday:** No Public Mass
- Tuesday:** Live streamed Mass 10.00am
Private Prayer 11.00am – 12.00 noon
- Wednesday:** Live streamed Mass 10.00am
- Thursday:** Live streamed Mass 10.00am
Private Prayer 11.00am – 12.00 noon
- Friday:** Live streamed Mass 10.00am
- Saturday:** Live streamed Mass 10.00am
Private Prayer 11.00am – 12.00 noon
- Sunday:** Live streamed Mass 11.00am
Private Prayer 12.00 noon – 1.00pm

Here is the link to St. Joseph Church's Facebook page, You do not need a Facebook login to access it: <https://www.facebook.com/catholicwealdstone/>

Blessing of the Graves

At Northwood Cemetery takes place on Saturday 14th November at 3.00pm. Blessing of the Graves at Pinner New Cemetery & Harrow Weald has been cancelled.

International Eucharistic Congress

As the International Eucharistic Congress has been postponed until next year, parishes have been asked to have a Holy Hour to unite the world in prayer around the Blessed Sacrament on Saturday 21st November – the Vigil of Christ the King. We will, therefore, open the Church at 4.15pm–5.15pm on 21st November for adoration, to pray for the International Eucharistic Congress.

Confirmation & 1st Holy Communion 2021

Registration will be announced shortly.

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. Gonguzca & Kumar
2. The Parish

Repository

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

Pope's Intention for November

We pray that the progress of robotics and artificial intelligence may always serve mankind.

Rosary Intention for November

For the Holy Souls, and the people on your family tree.

Sisters of Our Lady of the Missions

On the 13 November, the sisters in Wealdstone will celebrate 100 years of presence in the parish. In 1820, 9 Sisters came from Deal, Kent to take over a parish school on the High Street. (Elfordleigh House) run by the French Sisters of St Chretienne. Since then St Joseph's Elementary school was started in the old Wealdstone Parish Hall and the Sacred Heart High School (now Language College) was established in the present Spencer Road Building. Over the years many RNDM Sisters have taught in the High School and at St Joseph's Claremont Road and Dobbin Close, Belmont. Due to COVID-19 we are unable to celebrate with the parish but we ask for your prayers for all the pupils, teachers and Sisters who have passed through our former two schools. We will be having internal celebrations and remembering you all.

Christmas Lunch 2020

In place of our Christmas lunch this year the parish will be working with the boys of the Salvatorian College to provide Christmas hampers for individuals and families who are in need this Christmas. We are sure that this will be a higher number than usual due to the COVID pandemic so your support will be extremely welcome. Firstly we need to identify those who will need this support at Christmas. If you are aware of anyone who needs this help please forward their name and details to the parish office or by email: office@catholicwealdstone.org. Please do this by 30th November.

Details of items and help required will be shared with you at the start of ADVENT. In the meantime, if you shop in Waitrose please use your green tokens to support St Joseph's appeal.

St Joseph's School

Supplementary forms are now available on the School Website for children born between: 01/09/16 and 31/08/17. You must also apply online to Harrow Council. Closing date is 15th January 2021."

Recently Deceased

Elizabeth (known as Betty) Gillece (Wife of Brian, mother of Clayton & Linda). Funeral: Thursday 19th November at 10.00am followed by cremation at Breakspear.

Julie Theresa Patterson (mother of Jessica). Funeral: Monday 9th November at 9.30am at Breakspear Crematorium.

May they rest in peace

A record of attendance with name, contact details and time in church will be kept securely for 21 days and then destroyed in accordance with Government guidelines. Alternatively, you can scan the NHS App on entering the church. Stewards will complete the Contact list when you enter the church. 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.