



THE CATHOLIC PARISHES OF ENGLISH MARTYRS AND ST AUGUSTINE OF CANTERBURY



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'Together, Reach Out and Welcome All with Joy, Compassion and Unfailing Love'

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CONFESSIONS ON SAT. 1ST AUGUST WILL BE FROM AT ENGLISH MARTYRS AND ON SAT. 8TH AUGUST AT ST AUGUSTINE'S FROM 11AM TO 12NOON ONLY CONTACT FR GERRY IF THIS TIME IS NOT SUITABLE

Parish Prayer

O God be at the heart of our parish and in all our hearts,
Strengthen our faith and our hope in Your promises.

Grant us a spirit of self-sacrifice, so that, with your grace, and by the
Power of the Holy Spirit, we may radiate Your love to everyone we meet.
Help us to reach out with joy and mercy, to build a loving, healing community.
We ask this through Christ Our Lord. Amen.



Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time Year A 2nd August 2020

Entrance Antiphon	O God, come to my assistance; O Lord, make haste to help me! You are my rescuer, my help; O Lord, do not delay.
Responsorial Psalm	You open wide your hand, O Lord you grant our desires.
Gospel Acclamation	Blessings on the King who comes, in the name of the Lord! Peace in heaven and glory in the highest heavens!
Communion Antiphon	You have given us, O Lord, bread from heaven, endowed with all delights and sweetness in every taste.

DATE	ENGLISH MARTYRS	SAINT AUGUSTINE'S	MASS INTENTION AND LITURGICAL DAY
Sat 1 st Aug		6.30pm (Vigil) Mass	For Hannah and Andrea on their wedding day
Sun 2 nd Aug	9.00am Mass	11.00am Mass	David Roger RIP and family People of the Parishes
Mon 3 rd Aug	9.30am Adoration 10.00am Mass		Annie Smyth (Anniv)
Tues 4 th Aug		9.30am Adoration 10.00am Mass	St John Mary Vianney Thomas Thomas RIP
Wed 5 th Aug	6.30pm Mass		Mary Withers (Sick)
Thurs 6 th Aug	1-4pm Adoration		FEAST OF THE TRANSFIGURATION Fr Gerry's Day off
Fri 7 th Aug		10.00am Mass	Thanksgiving PG
Sat 8 th August	10.00am Mass	Confessions in Church from 11am to 12 noon 6.30pm (Vigil) Mass	St Dominic Margaret Holloway RIP

ALL MASSES WILL BE WITH A CONGRGATION PRESENT AND WILL BE AVAIABLE VIRTUALLY LIVE VIA THE SKYPE GUEST LINK <https://join.skype.com/IMJtoOE71NTR> PARISHIONERS OR OTHERS CAN ATTEND ALL MASSES AT THIS TIME UP TO THE CHURCH CAPACITY LIMIT USING A 2M SOCIAL DISTANCING POLICY. THE CHURCHES WILL OPEN FOR PRIAVTE PRAYER 30 MINUTES BEFORE MASS STARTS

Pease pray: For all those who have died recently especially and all whose anniversaries occur at this time and all those who mourn. **Please also pray for the sick especially:** Those in hospital with Covid-19, John Connors, Susan Maher, Ellen Wagner, Kath Griffiths, Albert Turner, Shelia Robertson, Maria Oldfield, Janet Wagner, Andrea Brushneen, Joan Humphreys, Peggy Keogh, Lisa Knight, Maureen Moloney, Mary Gorman, Jim Young,, Elizabeth Bopoto, Pat Murray, Pat Gilbert, Bridie O'Boyle, Janet Peacey and Elizabeth Knight. **We also pray for** Mgr Liam VG and Parish Priest at St Peter's Gloucester who has been diagnosed with Hodgkin Lymphoma and has recently finished his chemotherapy.

Resumption of Public Masses: From this Saturday's Vigil Mass all our Masses will be open for a congregation to attend. We all need to remember that we have a responsibility to keep everyone as safe as possible by doing the following:

- *Worshippers should limit their interactions with anyone they are not attending church with, i.e. if they are attending corporate worship with one other household. So wherever possible please maintain social distancing with anyone outside of this group.*
- *Face coverings are currently mandatory on public transport and in shops and supermarkets. People are also strongly encouraged to wear face coverings in enclosed public spaces where there are people they do not normally meet, such as a church. On Friday 31st July the Prime Minister announced face coverings would be MANDATORY from 8th August in places of worship So, while it is not mandatory yet that face coverings are worn by those who attend mass in English Martyrs and St Augustine's, we do encourage parishioners to do so.*
- *The Government guidance states that a Track and Trace system should be operated for individuals attending Masses. Therefore, it is suggested that where possible contact details of one per household are obtained. However, this is not mandatory as the guidance states that information 'should' rather than 'must' be collated. We tried a voluntary track and trace last weekend and found that everyone on Sunday was happy to sign up voluntarily. As many of you will come to mass regularly during the coming weeks you now have the option to allow us to keep your number for the duration of the need of track and trace even if you are not included on the parish census. If you opt to do this next time you come to Mass then on future occasion you will not have to give us a number.*

In addition to these requirements we do ask that when you are leaving the church after mass, parishioners continue to observe the requirements of social distancing and to avail of both the main entrance and alternative exit doors

With the return of Sunday Masses, it is important to reaffirm that, at present, the obligation to attend Sunday Mass remains suspended. It is also stressed that any parishioner who feels uncomfortable about returning to mass at this time should not feel any obligation to do so

Ongoing Restrictions re use of Hall or Toilets: Due to the measures that need to be implemented when there are multiple users of facilities, and based on recommendations from our insurers, all parish facilities (halls and meeting rooms) continue to remain closed at this time. The church will be closed after each mass to enable the cleaning of pews in preparation for the following mass. The toilets in the church complex or hall remain out of use at this time

Church stewards and cleaners: We urgently need more cleaners and stewards under the age of 70 to enable our Churches to remain open to the public and to increase the number of Masses we can open up for a congregation. Please contact Fr Gerry if you can assist in either Church.

The Mass and Eucharist: On Tuesday 4th August at 7.30pm on the Skype Link as for Masses we continue to explore the Mass and Eucharist. This Tuesday we will watch a Bishop Robert Barron DVD from his Catholicism series entitled "Word made flesh, true bread of heaven" on the mystery of the Liturgy and the Eucharist.

CiT Bible Society Bible Course: Led by Helen McGeogh, Tuffley Pioneer will start this Tuesday evening 4th August at 7.30pm. For details contact Helen at tuffleypioneer@gmail.com

CAFOD Summer of Hope Sponsored Cycle Ride: Mike Horan the Deanery CAFOD representative and parishioner at English Martyrs is going to do sponsored cycle ride from English Martyrs, leaving after the 10am Mas on Saturday 29th August to Clifton Cathedral. If you would like to join him for some or all of this sponsored event please contact him on mikehonan@blueyonder.co.uk or 07982245361. We thank Mike for taking on this challenge, To sponsor him and find out more details about this event at <https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/mike-honan>

Rev Bruce Clifford: Retired as Parochial Vicar of St George's Grange Road and St Margaret's, Waddon on Friday 31st July. We give thanks for his enthusiasm and energy which he has shared so generously with the Church in Tuffley. And we wish him and his wife Rosie every blessing in retirement. If you wish you can say your own goodbye to Rosie and Bruce on Saturday 8th August for a short 10 minute socially distanced Covid-19 compliant outside gathering in the Tuffley Pioneer's garden. For further details and to book your slot please visit https://docs.google.com/document/d/10uv10YJheZaIR9nRWIYOMm-mldI0V_6lAnb1xBtj1xl/edit?usp=sharing

Holidays: We wish all parishioners who are or going on holiday a safe journey and a blessed time away and pray that you come back feeling refreshed.

