

St Joseph's Catholic Church



1 Montem Road, New Malden, Surrey KT3 3QW catholicnewmalden.org 020 8942 2602 Sunday 14th & 21st February 2021 Sixth Ordinary Sunday & First Sunday of Lent (B)

SUNDAY MASS TIMES

(Sat.) 6.00pm Vigil Mass 9.30am Mass 11.30am Solemn Mass 5.30pm Mass

WEEKDAY MASSES ***

Monday 15th Feb *** **10am** Mass

Tuesday 16th Shrove Tuesday
Feria 10am Mass

Wednesday 17th <u>ASH WEDNESDAY</u> * 10am & 7pm Masses (with Ashes)

Thursday 18th 10am Mass

Friday 19th *** 10am Mass

Lenten Feria

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Saturday 20th *** 10am Mass

*** Live-streamed Mass Only

READINGS AT MASS

Sundays Year B; Weekdays cycle 1 This Sun: Leviticus 13:1-2,44-46;
1 Cor 10:31 - 11:1; Mark 1:40-45

M. Genesis 4:1-15,25; Mark 8:11-13

T. Gen 6:5-8; 7:1-5,10; Mark 8:14-21
W. Joel 2:12-18: 2 Cor 5:20 - 6:2:

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T. Deuteronomy 30:15-20; Lk 9:22-25

F. Isaiah 58:1-9; Matthew 9:14-15

S. Isaiah 58:9-14; Luke 5:27-32

Next Sun: Genesis 9:8-15; 1 Peter 3:18-22; Mark 1:12-15

First Sunday of Lent (B)

Shrine Lamp Intentions

Our Lady: Roberts' Family Intentions;
Wellbeing of Joan Hale
Sacred Heart: In Thanksgiving
St Joseph: The Connolly Family
St Pius X: Rita O'Connell's Wellbeing
St Therese/St John Fisher:
Brenda Corrie's Wellbeing
St Thomas More/St Anthony:
Wellbeing of Tim Lane

This Sunday is Day of Prayer for the Unemployed

We pray especially for all seeking work or unable to work through disability and illness - may they place their trust in the God of hope and new beginnings; and for politicians and all who work with the economy, that they may they always remember the poor and the unemployed.

O God, the source of human dignity, in your image every person is fashioned and by your Son all people are redeemed. Make us honour the work of your hands, that we may reverence you in those whom the world considers least and serve you in all whom society neglects.

WEDNESDAY 17th Feb is ASH WEDNESDAY & the START of LENT

Lent this year will be a slightly different affair to what



we're used to. There can be no Lenten Fayre and no other organised physical activities for us to take part in and raise funds for our chosen Lenten Charities. This year we will continue to raise funds for last year's Charities as that was cut short by the beginning of the pandemic we continue to find ourselves facing a year later. We will have a basket for 2nd Collections at the back of church right through Lent and you are invited to re-invent the wheel and see how you can support these charities virtually! A quick reminder of these Charities:

The Bournemouth Oratory, supporting their charitable work in feeding over 80 homeless and rough sleepers in the area daily.

Akanani (Build together) homelessness and **Lerato** (Love) ecumenical projects initiated by the Tshwane Leadership Foundation (TLF). Both projects seek to address some of the social issues in the inner city of Pretoria, the Capital city of South Africa. More info in future bulletins.

NB. On ASH WEDNESDAY we will have 2 Masses: <u>10am and 7pm</u>, both with a slightly modified distribution of Ashes, and <u>both live-streamed</u>.

MASS INTENTIONS (including those transferred from last week): Sun (Sat) 6pm No Mass; 9.30 Peter & Bridget McElhinney RIP; 11.30 Wellbeing of Tim Lane; People of the Parish, 5.30 No Mass; Mon. 10. Michael John Taylor RIP; Tue. 10. Frederick Dance RIP; Recovery of Michael Connolly; Sean Crowe RIP; Wed. 10. Antonietta Verazzo RIP; 7pm. In Thanksgiving; Thurs. 10. Luigi Cangi RIP; Felicia Ayogu RIP; Fri. 10. Bridget Barnes RIP; The Burbridge Family RIP; Sat. 10. Bartholomew, Michael & Luke Murphy RIP; Jackie Cook RIP; Next Sun. (see back). To request a Mass Intention please email:

newmaldenparishmassintentions@rcaos.org.uk.

**LIVE STREAMING OF MASSES FROM ST JOSEPH'S

Although we now have Masses back physically in church, we will still be live-streaming a daily Mass, for those who cannot be in church. Streamed Masses will be the 10am Mass from Mon - Sat, and the Sun 11.30am Mass. https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCETxMGsRdJ1GdpsZmaxlFGQ

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The PARISH OFFICE is physically closed but you can still contact us via the email address above or by calling 07488 241753 between 10am ~ 1pm

21st February 2021 FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT

2nd Collection for POOR PARISHES

SUNDAY MASS TIMES (as front)

WEEKDAY MASSES

Monday 22nd *** **10am** Mass The Chair of St Peter the Apostle (*Feast*) *

Tuesday 23rd 10am Mass Lenten Feria (St Polycarp, Bp & M)

Wednesday 24th 10am Masses Lenten Feria

Thursday 25th 10am Mass Lenten Feria (St Ethelbert, King)

Friday 26th *** **10am** Mass Lenten Feria

Saturday 27th *** 10am Mass Lenten Feria

*** Live-streamed Mass Only

READINGS AT MASS

Sundays Year B; Weekdays cycle 1 This Sun: Genesis 9:8-15; 1 Peter 3:18-22; Mark 1:12-15

M. 1 Peter 5:1-4; Matthew 16:13-19

T. Isaiah 55:10-11; Matthew 6:7-15

W. Jonah 3:1-10; Luke 11:29-32

Th. Esther 14:1-5,12-14; Matthew 7:7-12

F. Ezekiel 18:21-28; Matthew 5:20-26

S. Deut 26:16-19; Matthew 5:43-48 **Next Sun**: Genesis 22:1-2,9-18; Romans 8:31-34; Mark 9:2-10

Second Sunday of Lent (Year B)

MASS INTENTIONS WEEK beg 21 Feb: Sun. (Sat) 6pm Peggy Wright RIP; Mrs M Hourigan RIP; 9.30 Holy Souls, 11.30 Cyril D'Souza RIP, **5.30** People of the Parish; **Mon**. 10. Cyril D'Souza RIP; Tue. 10. Lina Cangi RIP; Wed. 10. Special Intention; Thurs. **10**. Thomas Patrick Barnes RIP; Fri. 10. Mary Redford RIP; Sat. 10. Mr John Buckley RIP; Next Sun. (Sat) 6pm Teresa Wright RIP, 9.30 People of the Parish, 11.30 Health & Wellbeing of Joan Hill, 5.30 Sr Bernadette Duffy.

Shrine Lamp Intentions

Our Lady: Roberts' Family Intentions; Sacred Heart: Wellbeing of Joan Hale St Joseph: The Connolly Family St Pius X: Rita O'Connell's Wellbeing St Therese/St John Fisher: Brenda Corrie's Wellbeing St Thomas More/St Anthony: Wellbeing of Tim Lane

BULLETIN DISTRIBUTION

Would you be able to print up to 5 copies of the Parish Newsletter and deliver them to our housebound and non-internet parishioners in your area? This would be a wonderful way to keep in touch with all of our parish family. If you can help, please email Agnes on agnesvella@rcaos.org.uk with your name and contact details. Thank you all very much.

PARISH NEWS

CHURCH OPENING - UPDATE

We are very grateful to Frs Ignatius and Joseph from Our Lady Immaculate, Tolworth, who were with us for a few days whilst Fr Uche was isolating. Unfortunately there was a positive covid case at 5.30 Mass last Sunday 7th Feb, so we had to take measures which included identifying those who may have been close enough or had any interaction with the infected person, and asking them to isolate. This also resulted in us having to close the church for the week until Fr Uche finished his isolating following his return, and could resume his public ministry, which is from this Sunday.

We have been very blessed that this is the first time this has happened in our church, and this is only due to the diligence and care taken by everyone involved in the continued smooth and safe running of Mass at St Joseph's during this pandemic, not least of which our faithful stewards and Extra-Ordinary Ministers.

At this point, we feel we need to stress again the importance of wearing protective face-covering, thorough hand-sanitising and the maintaining of distance from others.

IF YOU - OR ANYONE YOU HAVE BEEN IN CONTACT WITH / LIVE WITH - ARE WAITING FOR THE RESULT OF A COVID TEST OR ARE EXPERIENCING COLD OR FLU SYMPTOMS, PLEASE DO NOT COME TO CHURCH UNTIL YOU ARE AS SURE AS POSSIBLE YOU ARE NOT INFECTED. This way we can continue to ensure the safety and wellbeing of all at church and the wider community, as much as is humanly possible.

We continue to review our counter measures against the Covid19 Pandemic and the availability of stewards weekly, and we can report that at this point, we are able to safely open our church to the public for all weekend Masses and all 10am weekday Masses, apart from Mondays, Fridays & now Saturdays, when Mass will be live-streamed only.

NB. There is no 5.30 Mass this Sunday 14th February only.

SACRAMENTAL UPDATE

BAPTISMS - We hope to start accepting Baptism enquiries as soon as circumstances permit, so please email the parish office in a few weeks' time, when things will hopefully have improved.



FIRST HOLY COMMUNION 2021 - This year's programme is set to start in March of course most, if not all the sessions will take place via Zoom. The Application forms are now available on our website by clicking here. Children applying have to be currently in School Year 3 or above.

CONFIRMATION 2021 - The programme started on the <u>4th February</u> with the Parents' Information Evening. The first Confirmation Session for the candidates is on <u>Friday 26th February at 7pm</u>.

ST JOSEPH'S LENTEN SERVICE

Friday 19th February @ 10.30am.

For more details, including the Zoom ID & Password you need to join, go to our website <u>here</u>, where you will also find news of other Lenten retreats etc.



ST JOSEPH'S ONLINE PRAYER GROUPS

With no immediate end in sight to the current pandemic we find ourselves in, our online groups are still going on, offering support to many parishioners who would otherwise feel more detached and lonely. All groups meet using Zoom (video calling). New ID and passwords are given prior to each group's meeting. For further information and details on how to use the Zoom code, please email annedsilva@rcaos.org.uk. Please click here for the details on our website.

DIOCESAN LENT RETREAT

Archbishop John and the Diocesan Spirituality Commission are offering a Retreat for Lent, which you can follow in your own home. Using the link below, you can watch a short video reflection each week, download prayer materials and other resources which can help you make the best use of whatever time and opportunity you may have during your week. If you are looking for a way to deepen your life of prayer this Lent, click on http://www.southwarkdsc.org.uk/followme where you can also sign up to receive materials directly to your email.

ROSARY PRAYER CAMPAIGN TO CONQUER THE VIRUS

In our Catholic history and tradition Our Blessed Lady has many titles. One is "Health of the Sick." We would like to ask you to consider doing something in our desperate situation today. We would suggest that you pray the Rosary every day, preferably with the whole family. It takes not much longer than 20 minutes. Out of 24 hours of the day can we begrudge God 20 minutes?

One suggestion is to do it after supper on one's knees (if those hinges still work!). The Rosary has 5 decades, each child could lead one with parents taking turns. One possibility would be to offer the 1st decade for those who are sick; the 2nd decade for doctors and nurses; the 3rd decade for scientific research to control and halt the virus; the 4th decade for world leaders and pharmaceutical agencies not to be motivated by profit, control or ideology. Finally, the last decade could be offered for family and local intentions.

Our Blessed Lord tells us that if we want to enter into salvation we have to become like a little child. Furthermore, the prayer of children has always been deemed powerful. Let us therefore not allow discouragement and anxiety to dominate us but instead to trust in God and Our blessed Lady that Grace will deliver us if we but pray!

THE SVP IS HERE FOR YOU

The St. Vincent de Paul Society (SVP) at St. Joseph's is part of an international Catholic organisation working through small groups in parishes across the world. We aim to provide practical help and friendship wherever it is needed for people of all faiths and none. The COVID virus has made life harder for everyone, especially for those living alone. When you don't know who to turn to, SVP members can provide help in various ways, such as:

Shopping for the housebound or those who need to isolate; Telephone befriending – regular calls to have a chat; Telephone reading service – your favourite books or poetry read to you over the phone; Transport for hospital appointments; Delivering the church newsletter to your home

If you or someone you know in New Malden would welcome some assistance from the SVP, please let us know by telephoning **07507 241518** or via St Joseph's Parish office: 1 Montem Road New Malden KT3 3QW Tel. **07488 241753** or **020 8942 2602.** (We can also be reached by email to sypnewmalden@gmail.com)

All our members have been police checked and help is provided to people of all faiths and none.

If you do not wish to receive information to your home from St. Joseph's Church please advise the parish office.

POPE FRANCIS DECLARES YEAR OF ST JOSEPH

In a new Apostolic Letter entitled Patris Corde ('With a Father's Heart'), Pope Francis has proclaimed a special 'Year of St Joseph' which began on the Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception 2020 and extends to the feast in 2021. The Letter marks the 150th anniversary of Blessed Pope Pius IX's declaration of St Joseph as Patron of the Universal Church. The Holy Father wrote 'Patris Corde' against the backdrop of the Covid-19 pandemic, which, he says, has helped us see more clearly the importance of "ordinary" people who, though far from the limelight, exercise patience and offer hope every day. In this, they resemble Saint Joseph, "the



man who goes unnoticed, a daily, discreet and hidden presence," who nonetheless played "an incomparable role in the history of salvation." Please click on these links for more: and http://www.vatican.va/content/francesco/en/apost_letters/documents/papa-francesco-lettera-ap_20201208_patris-corde.html. St Joseph, Pray for us.

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Please access our new donation page here, from our website or this QR Code

Please access <u>our new donation page here</u>, from our website or this QR Code When you donate you will be given an option to add a note, so please state there what the donation is for, eg. church donation, Mass Intention, Christmas Offering etc. Please email <u>agnesvella@rcaos.org.uk</u> or call 07488 241753 if you have any queries. Many thanks.



DIOCESAN MARRIAGE & FAMILY LIFE NEWS

BUILDING A BETTER MARRIAGE - Dear Husband & Wife, You are invited to give each other a gift by spending March 13 online between 10am and 1pm exploring and improving your relationship. The event is entitled 'Building A Better Marriage'. It will provide you with valuable insights into your communication skills and the call of the Church to the married. Please note that there is no group sharing. This is not marriage counselling but a chance to make average-to-good marriages a bit better. That applies whether you have been married five years or 50. Booking is essential: telephone 07983 524 727 or email mflkent@rcaos.org.uk. Recent 'Building a Better Marriage' courses attracted the following comments from married couples who logged on: 'The topics were chosen well and we could really relate to them: The personal stories you shared were very insightful and helped us to reflect on our own relationships more deeply... It was relaxed and you put us at ease, being friendly and personable... We thoroughly enjoyed attending the course.'

ANNUAL MARRIAGE MASS - We hope the annual diocesan Mass for couples celebrating special wedding anniversaries will take place as usual at St George's Cathedral on July 10 but it is of course Covid dependent.

MARRIAGE PREPARATION COURSES

For 2021 dates please contact Agnes in the parish office on 07488 241753 or email newmalden@rcaos.org.uk.

FROM OUR DIOCESAN SAFEGUARDING OFFICE - The government have launched the "Ask for ANI" codeword scheme in partnership with Boots and independent pharmacies across the country. Those who are victim to or at risk of domestic abuse can ask for ANI and a safe space will be provided, by a trained pharmacist, to allow the individual to access support services and helplines. Where the victim is at risk of harm, the police and other relevant authorities may be contacted.

This scheme is especially useful in helping those who are isolated at home with their abuser and unable to access help. Please share this with anyone you know who may need help.

Please click here for more information on the government website: https://www.gov.uk/government/news/ pharmacies-launch-codeword-scheme-to-offer-lifeline-to-domestic-abuse-victims

Think you need to go to A&E? Think NHS 111 First

If you need urgent, but not life-threatening care, call NHS 111 before turning up to an emergency department. If, following a conversation with NHS 111, it is appropriate for you to attend the emergency department you may be scheduled a time to attend. Thinking NHS 111 First will also help you get to the most appropriate service when you may not have to attend the emergency department. This could include self-care or a slot at your GP practice, a GP hub or a nearby Urgent Treatment Centre. You can still go to ED and UTC without calling ahead but thinking "NHS 111 First" will mean:



- shorter waiting times via a booked slot at the emergency department or another appropriate service;
- safe social distancing away from busy emergency department waiting rooms to protect you and others from COVID-19.

Respond to Department of Health consultation to stop home abortions!

The Department of Health is holding a public consultation on whether to continue the practice of allowing abortion providers to send abortion pills to women so that they can perform their own abortion at home. We need as many prolife people as possible to complete the Department of Health's questionnaire in order to help stop dangerous DIY abortions becoming permanent. SPUC has prepared a briefing which gives a step by step guide to completing the consultation questionnaire. To register your response please visit https://www.spuc.org.uk/Get-Involved/ Campaigns/England-DIY-Abortion-Consultation The consultation ends on 26 February 2021.

From our Diocesan Safeguarding Office - Reporting abuse

If you are concerned about the welfare of a child or adult at risk, do not delay in contacting the police, using 999 if a child or adult is believed to be in immediate danger. It is the policy of the Catholic Church in England and Wales to report all allegations of abuse to statutory authorities, regardless of whether the abuse occurred recently or in the past, or whether the accused person is living or deceased. If you are in any role within the Catholic Church in England and Wales, you must refer allegations directly to the safeguarding office for your diocese or religious congregation, or directly to the Police If you are a member of the public, please refer allegations directly to the police and also to the safeguarding office in your diocese. You can contact the Archdiocese of Southwark Safeguarding Office by phoning 020 7261 1606 or email: safeguardingoffice@rcaos.org.uk.