



# St Joseph's Catholic Church



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Sunday 31st January 2021

RACIAL JUSTICE DAY

Fourth Ordinary Sunday (B)

## SUNDAY MASS TIMES

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

## WEEKDAY MASSES \*\*\*

**Monday 1st Feb \*\*\*** 10am Mass  
Feria

**Tuesday 2nd** 10am Mass  
**THE PRESENTATION OF THE LORD**  
(Feast) \*

**Wednesday 3rd** 10am Mass  
Feria, or St Lawrence of Canterbury,  
Bishop, or St Blaise, Bishop & Martyr,  
or St Ansgar, Bishop

**Thursday 4th** 10am Mass  
Feria

**Friday 5th \*\*\*** 10am Mass  
St Agatha, Virgin & Martyr (Memorial) \*

**Saturday 6th** 10am Mass  
St Paul Miki and Companions,  
Martyrs (Memorial) \*

\*\*\* see top of page 2 for more.

## READINGS AT MASS

**Sundays Year B; Weekdays cycle 1**

**This Sun:** Deuteronomy 18:15-20;

1 Corinthians 7:32-35; Mark 1:21-28

**M.** Hebrews 11:32-40; Mark 5:1-20

**T.** Malachi 3:1-4; Luke 2:22-40 \*

**W.** Hebrews 12:4-7,11-15; Mark 6:1-6

**T.** Heb 12:18-19,21-24; Mark 6:7-13

**F.** 1 Cor 1:26-31; Luke 9:23-26 \*

**S.** Galatians 2:19-20; Matt 28:16-20 \*

**Next Sun:** Job 7:1-7; 1 Corinthians

9:16-19,22-23; Mark 1:29-39

**Fifth Ordinary Sunday (B)**

## Shrine Lamp Intentions

**Our Lady:** Roberts' Family Intentions

**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:**

Anthony Bellino RIP

## TODAY IS RACIAL JUSTICE DAY

At the beginning of his public ministry Jesus outlines his Mission in the synagogue in Nazareth:

*'He has sent me to bring the good news to the poor, to proclaim liberty to captives and to the blind new sight, to set the downtrodden free, to proclaim the Lord's year of favour'*

His ministry was one of compassionate involvement, concern for the disadvantaged. Aware of obstacles, including those of the Law, which limited joy and fulfilment, Jesus acted. He confronted, sometimes angrily, what undermined a person's dignity.

The theme of Racial Justice Sunday 2021 is *A Time to Act*. Racial issues and inequalities were identified nationally and internationally in 2020 generating awareness, emotion and outrage. In light of this Racial Justice Sunday 2021 is particularly significant. Action is needed to further the cause of racial justice. What can we do?

In recent years Pope Francis has repeatedly used four verbs encouraging positive and direct action in relation to migrants and refugees, **'Welcome, Protect, Promote and Integrate'**. These same words are essential to advancing the cause of racial justice. None can be omitted, it is as necessary to have plans to *Promote* and *Integrate* as it is to *Welcome*. Read more [here](#).



## 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. More info on the form itself.

**CONFIRMATION 2021** - The first session is the Parents Information Evening **THIS Thursday 4th February at 8pm**. An email with the Zoom link will be sent shortly. The first Confirmation Session for the candidates is on Friday 26th February at 7pm.



## \*\*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>**

**St Joseph's Presbytery & Parish Office - [newmalden@rcaos.org.uk](mailto:newmalden@rcaos.org.uk)**

**Fr Uche Njoku (Parish Priest): [uchenjoku@rcaos.org.uk](mailto:uchenjoku@rcaos.org.uk) Deacon John-Simon Lawson: [johnsimonlawson@rcaos.org.uk](mailto:johnsimonlawson@rcaos.org.uk)**

**Parish Secretary: Mrs Agnes Vella Parish Treasurer & Finance Office Director of Music: Mr Peter Morrell**

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**Safeguarding Rep: Mr Andrew Stables: [newmaldensg1@safeguardrcaos.org.uk](mailto:newmaldensg1@safeguardrcaos.org.uk) Caretaker: (Position vacant - contact Agnes)**

**Technical Team: Raphael - [raphaelmaurin@rcaos.org.uk](mailto:raphaelmaurin@rcaos.org.uk); Daniel - [newmaldenict@rcaos.org.uk](mailto:newmaldenict@rcaos.org.uk)**

The PARISH OFFICE is officially closed but you can still contact us via the email address above

**or by calling 07488 241753 between 10am ~ 1pm**

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# PARISH NEWS

**GOODBYE FR JUDE AND WELCOME BACK FR UCHE!** Fr Jude's stay with us comes to an end when he returns to Nigeria on Friday 5th Feb - that means his last Mass with us will be on Thursday 4th Feb. I'm sure everyone agrees with me that it's been a real pleasure and blessing to have him with us these past few weeks. We thank him for his work with us and pray for his safe return. Fr Jude, on his part, would like to pass on his sincere appreciation to all for the support and prayers shown to him during his stay. We thank God that Fr Uche has managed to have his well-earned break and we ask God for his safe return at the end of next week. May God bless them both.

**\*\*\* CHURCH OPENING** - We continue to review our counter measures against the Covid19 Pandemic and the availability of stewards weekly, and we are pleased to report that St Joseph's is still open to the public for **all weekend Masses and all 10am weekday Masses, apart from Mondays & Fridays, when Mass will be live-streamed only.** We thank our committed stewards and parishioners for their co-operation, enabling the celebration of Mass to continue taking place safely.

## 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 contact **Anne D'Silva** at [annedsilva@rcaos.org.uk](mailto:annedsilva@rcaos.org.uk). Please click [here](#) for the details on our website.

## 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](http://www.vatican.va/content/francesco/en/apost_letters/documents/papa-francesco-lettera-ap_20201208_patris-corde.html). *St Joseph, Pray for us.*



## 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 [svpnewmalden@gmail.com](mailto:svpnewmalden@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.

## New Diocesan Paypal Account

Please access [our new donation page here](#), 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 [agnesvella@rcaos.org.uk](mailto:agnesvella@rcaos.org.uk) or call 07488 241753 if you have any queries. Many thanks.



**CANON FRANK'S REQUIEM MASS** took place on Wednesday 20th January at 12 noon at St John the Baptist. We have managed to get access to the Order of Service for his Vigil Mass and Funeral, for those of you who would like to read it or print a copy - just click [here](#). If you are unable to print one, please email Agnes at [agnesvella@rcaos.org.uk](mailto:agnesvella@rcaos.org.uk).

## **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](mailto: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](mailto:newmalden@rcaos.org.uk).

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**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>

## **WESTMINSTER CATHEDRAL CHOIR SCHOOL 2X CHORISTER SCHOLARSHIPS FOR SEPTEMBER 2021**

Two scholarships now available, with up to 100% off fees, for boys showing musical promise, who will be starting in Year 4 in September 2021 (i.e. currently in Year 3). The application is really easy – a brief video call on Zoom! This is a fantastic local opportunity for Catholic families with a boy who loves to sing. Please contact Lucy Auger [lauger@choirschool.com](mailto:lauger@choirschool.com) or call 0207 798908 for further information.

## **KINGSTON FOOD BANK**

If anyone is using online purchases you can generate income for Kingston Foodbank by registering at [www.easyfundraising.org.uk](http://www.easyfundraising.org.uk) and selecting Kingston Foodbank as your chosen cause. A percentage of your spend will be donated to Kingston Foodbank. Visit: [www.kingston.foodbank.org.uk/](http://www.kingston.foodbank.org.uk/) for more.

## **WHITE FLOWER APPEAL 2021**

The Society for the Protection of Unborn children (SPUC) is currently campaigning to stop home abortion, which gives women abortion pills to take at home without medical supervision. This is one of the most dangerous threats to unborn children and their mothers in decades.

Please be as generous as you can to help us defeat this latest attack on unborn babies and help protect mothers from increased risk of coercion and serious health risks. Donations can also be made online at [www.spuc.org.uk/donate](http://www.spuc.org.uk/donate).



## PRAYER AND MASS INTENTIONS (and Donors) for February 2021

### Sunday 31st January

**Sat. 6pm** Special Intention (M Wright)  
**9.30** People of the Parish  
**11.30** Anthony Bellino RIP (S Bellino)  
**5.30** Fr Gerald Abuachi's Birthday (A & M D'Silva)

### Monday 1st February

**10.** Thanksgiving for David Roberts (Brenda & Rowena)

### Tuesday 2nd

**10.** Thomas D'Silva RIP & Emily D'Silva (A & M D'Silva)

### Wednesday 3rd

**10.** John Richard Wright RIP (M Wright)

### Thursday 4th

**10.** Josephine Bastiampillai RIP (M Bastian)

### Friday 5th

**10.** Catherine Basitampillai RIP (M Bastian)

### Saturday 6th

**10.** Hugh Hunt Snr RIP \*

### Sunday 7th February

**Sat. 6pm** John Richard Wright RIP (M Wright)  
**9.30** Fr Frank & Fr Michael RIP (J & M Bastian)  
**11.30** Lisa Ashdown RIP (F Marshall)  
**5.30** People of the Parish

### Monday 8th

**10.** James & Betty Booth RIP (M Wright)

### Tuesday 9th

**10.** Frederick Dance RIP \*

### Wednesday 10th

**10.** In Thanksgiving (B Vethanayagam)

### Thursday 11th

**10.** Luigi Cangi RIP \*

### Friday 12th

**10.** Bridget Barnes RIP \*

### Saturday 13th

**10.** Jackie Cook RIP (F Marshall)

\* *Foundation Masses*

### Sunday 14th February

**Sat. 6pm** Peggy Wright RIP (M Wright)  
**9.30** Peter & Bridget McElhinney RIP (O & A Patton)  
**11.30** People of the Parish  
**5.30** Mr D Maharaj RIP (S Maharaj)

### Monday 15th

**10.** Michael John Taylor RIP (L Taylor)

### Tuesday 16th

**10.** Sean Crowe RIP (Holy Cross Sisters)

### ASH WEDNESDAY 17th

**10.** Antonietta Verazzo RIP (E Pellizzon)

### Thursday 18th

**10.** Felicia Ayogu RIP (A & M D'Silva)

### Friday 19th

**10.** The Burbridge Family RIP \*

### Saturday 20th

**10.** Bartholomew, Michael & Luke Murphy RIP (M Eastland)

### Sunday 21st February

**Sat. 6pm** Mrs M Hourigan RIP (S Maharaj)  
**9.30.** Holy Souls (A & O Patton)  
**11.30** Cyril D'Souza RIP (T D'Souza)  
**5.30** People of the Parish

### Monday 22nd

**10.** Cyril D'Souza RIP (A D'Silva)

### Tuesday 23rd

**10.** Lina Cangi RIP \*

### Wednesday 24th

**10.** Special Intention (M Wright)

### Thursday 25th

**10.** Thomas Patrick Barnes RIP \*

### Friday 26th

**10.** Mary Redford RIP \*

### Saturday 27th

**10.** John Buckley RIP (M Vanderpant)

**Sick and Housebound:** During normal times, Holy Communion is taken to the Sick & Housebound weekly by our Extra-ordinary Ministers, and we remember them during Adoration. Our Clergy visit the Housebound during Advent and Lent, and at need, for the Sacraments of Confession and Anointing. Please tell the Parish Office of anyone who needs visiting by a Priest, or by SVP.

Camilo Alvares, Norah Anglim, Angela Balogun, Cyril Bastiampillai, Mike & Geraldine Bennett, Colin Benyon, Gillian Berry, Delma Bouvier, Geoff Brand, Elizabeth Brennan, William Brenninkmeijer, Andrew Brown, Ernest Budden, Irene Butterworth, Edith Byrne, Chris Clark, Mary Colleoy, Michael & Nancy Connolly, Anne Convey, Eileen Cornwell, Brenda Corrie, Helen Croston, Helena Czerniewicz, Rita Desa, Amanda C Dickie, Mariam Dinka, Francis Doyle, Marie Fahy, Marie Ferguson, Gabriel Finnigan, Tony Fisher, Mary Fitzgerald, Kathleen Foale, Monica Ford, Wendy Ford, Antoinette Fowler, Grace Gnanasakthy, Norrie Golden, Joan Hale, Terry Harman, Ann Harvey, David & Maureen Jacobs, Kathleen Jones, Barbara Keane, Katherine Kozielski, Ann Lambe, Ethel Larkin, Margaret Leatherbarrow, Diane Levak, Cindy-Ann Lim, Ann Linnane, Alastair Lynn, Sylvia Lypka, Frank MacGuinness, Natalie McCloud, Joyce McGinn, Mary Malloy, Anne Manson, Joe Murphy, Dora Nash, Jacqueline Neveu, Stella Nichollas, Rita O'Connell, Vincent O'Connor, Sadie O'Donovan, Brian O'Gorman, Mary O'Sullivan, Isabella Oldknow, Maureen Oliver, Michael Pearson, Norah Phipps, Tim Quane, Mary Razvi, Catherine Reynolds, David Roberts, Andrew Rosemeyer, Liam Sammon, Carmala Sarvesvaran, Winifred Sawyer, Hilda Scanlon, Diana & Gordon Simpson, Mike Stanley, Lilian Stephenson, Joan Stevens, Anne Sullivan, Nina Sutton, Robert Tolley, Geraldine Waterhouse, Monica Whelton, Mary Wheeler, Josefina Wheeler, Margaret Wills, Colwyn Wittinbaker, Andrew Woods.

### February Anniversaries of Death

**1<sup>st</sup>** George Easton, Thomas D'Silva, Marett Marsden, John Vella, Elaine Eeuwens, Bernadette McGowan, **2<sup>nd</sup>** Mervyn Greenslade, Elizabeth McCrone, Joseph Drapper, Elpidio Aromin, Paul Dourado, **3<sup>rd</sup>** Kevin Collins, **4<sup>th</sup>** Thomas O'Sullivan, Ethel Worsfold, Pasquelina Diliato, William Cooper, Ernest Cornwell, **5<sup>th</sup>** Eileen O'Callaghan, Johanna Dixon, Thomas Ludlow, Frances Kumar, **6<sup>th</sup>** John Bone, Constance Norton, **7<sup>th</sup>** Nellie Day, **8<sup>th</sup>** Elizabeth Crewe, Frank Westby, Patricia Williams, Suzanne Beech, **9<sup>th</sup>** Carole Vaz, Richard Quinn, Alez Butros Jorjis, Maria Grimsey, **10<sup>th</sup>** James Allen, John Byrne, Anthony McInerney, **11<sup>th</sup>** Terence Craig, Peter Stevens, Dorothy Burns, Margaret Mackenzie, **12<sup>th</sup>** Julia Lea, Gertrude Deedsman, Michael Seddon, **13<sup>th</sup>** John Curley, Dorothy Dymore, Helen Gigg, Teresa Newman, Emily Jakob, Terry Phipps, **14<sup>th</sup>** Eileen Morris, Patrick Maguire, **15<sup>th</sup>** Kathleen Willson, Ellen Sheridan, Ivor Brooks, Antony Smith, **16<sup>th</sup>** Rev. Patrick McCarthy, Rose Stevens, Thomas Deane, Mary Berkley, **17<sup>th</sup>** Mildred Tucker, Antonietta Verazzo, Carmel Roche, **18<sup>th</sup>** Peter Yates, John Flainey, **19<sup>th</sup>** Robert Sprigge, Chiarina Champion, Raymond Brand, **20<sup>th</sup>** Anthony Ashenden, **21<sup>st</sup>** Emma Loades, Wilfred Roberts, **22<sup>nd</sup>** Diana Rabstein, Anne Benkert, **23<sup>rd</sup>** Etienne Vandaele, Anastasia Aspell, Irene Murphy, Gerald Turner, Hilda Chandler, Nellie Egbudo, Diana Guillen, Fr Michael Clifton, **25<sup>th</sup>** Frederick Jenkins, Edith Peel, Thomas Barnes, Philomena Hutt, Pawlo Lypka, Greta Blackwell, Barbara Davies, Agnieszka Sieminska, Patricia Mason, **26<sup>th</sup>** Sarah Vinson, **27<sup>th</sup>** Mary Crewe, Edward Foley, Charles Hayes, Jericho Pelagio, **28<sup>th</sup>** James Cunningham, Olive McKay, James Durkin.

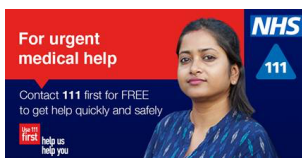
Please pray for those who died recently, especially for **Canon Frank O'Sullivan** (Funeral 20th Jan), **Arnie Fabius** (Funeral 29th Jan), **Cyril D'Souza** (Funeral 3rd Feb), **Maria Cangi** (Funeral 9th Feb) & **Sarah Taylor** (Funeral 23rd Feb).

*Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May they rest in peace. Amen*

## 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 .



### PROCEDURES during NORMAL TIMES

**FOR APPOINTMENTS** & enquiries, please contact the Parish Office only during office hours - see bottom of front page - unless it's an urgent matter. Any items for the **BULLETIN** need to be received by Tuesday at the very latest. Thank you.

**WEDDINGS:** Please make sure you give us at least 6 months' notice when applying to get married in a Catholic Church.

**BAPTISMS:** Usually these take place on the 1st Saturday of the month, but other dates can be agreed should there be the need. Please ring the Parish Office for enquiries.

**REQUESTING A MASS INTENTION:** If you know the date you would like a Mass Intention for, please request it as far ahead as possible, and we will endeavour to accommodate the date asked for. If an urgent need for prayer arises, we will do our best to shift an existing Intention, with the agreement of the donor of course.

**MASS INTENTIONS & SHRINE LAMP INTENTIONS:** envelopes are available at the back of church. Please return via the Presbytery letter box or hand to one of the clergy.

**WEBSITE:** If your parish group's details need mentioning / updating on our website please email: [newmalDENparishwebeditor@rcaos.org.uk](mailto:newmalDENparishwebeditor@rcaos.org.uk).

**BILLINGS NATURAL FAMILY PLANNING:** for confidential time with our Parish's Natural Family Planning advisers, who are also involved in our Marriage Preparation Programmes, please ring Dymphna on 07775 163693 for an appointment.

**SVP (ST VINCENT DE PAUL):** Our Parish SVP can now be additionally contacted at: [SVPNewMalden@gmail.com](mailto:SVPNewMalden@gmail.com). Please get in touch if you or anyone you know needs practical or spiritual help, giving both your details and those of the person/s concerned.

**PLEASE MAKE SURE CHILDREN ARE SUPERVISED** when in church. Please do not let them wander about unattended as it is disrespectful and possibly dangerous as there are always lighted candles in church.

## MESSAGE FROM SPUC

### 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 pro-life 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.

### URGENTLY NEEDED IN THE PARISH

**Caretakers:** If there are any able-bodied people out there who feel they can offer some time to help with the general running of the Church Premises, however little or much it is, would you please contact Agnes in the Parish Office by email or on 07488 241753.

**Cleaners:** As many of you may know, our church is cleaned by a very small dedicated group of parishioners, who give up one hour a month of their time to keep it looking clean and beautiful. They are in urgent need of a boost, so please please do consider this seriously. The cleaning is normally done every Saturday from 8-9am, and will re-start once the church is open.

### 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](mailto:safeguardingoffice@rcaos.org.uk).*