


<p>PRAYER TO SAINT JOSEPH Hail, Guardian of the Redeemer, Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary. To you God entrusted his only Son; in you Mary placed her trust; with you Christ became man. Blessed Joseph, to us too, show yourself a father and guide us in the path of life. Obtain for us grace, mercy and courage, and defend us from every evil. Amen.</p>	<p>AN ACT OF SPIRITUAL COMMUNION My Jesus, I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament. I love You above all things, and I desire to receive You into my soul. Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace You as if You were already there and unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You. Amen.</p>
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	<p style="text-align: center;">PRAYER IN TIME OF PANDEMIC</p> <p>Merciful God come to the help of your people. Be our shelter in this time of peril and strengthen the bonds of our community. Bring healing to all who suffer the ravages of disease and assist those whose skill and art can put an end to this affliction. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.</p>
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<p>THIS WEEK, THE CANDLES ARE BURNING FOR THE INTENTIONS OF SHRINE OR OUR LADY OF FATIMA FOR George Rice RIP</p>	<p>SHRINE OF THE SACRED HEART FOR Fr Long's Father Paul Hien</p>
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FINANCIAL MATTERS PARISH INCOME - Weekend 31st January 2021

Gift Aid	£ 153.00	Second Collection - £138.37	
Non-Gift Aid	£ 129.23		
Total	£282.23	Thank you for your generous offerings!	

OFFERTORY COLLECTION - There are baskets at the Entrance and Exit of church for your weekly offering and for second collections. Please be as generous as you can. Thank you!

THE SECOND COLLECTION THIS WEEKEND FOR MAINTENANCE

Useful Information

◊ **Sick List** - If you would like to add yourself, a relative or friend to the sick list you must complete a consent form, you can find them in the porch, and return it to the office.

◊ **Baptisms**: Please complete the request forms and send to the office. You will be contacted to book a date...

◊ **Parish Hall**: See website – there is an enquiry form that you can fill out and send to the parish office website, or telephone 0121 422 4865 to make an enquiry.

◊ **Hospital Chaplaincy**: If you or a member of your family are admitted to one of the local hospitals do please let the hospital catholic chaplain know as the Hospital staff will not automatically let us know.

Parish Administrator: Mrs Collette Keegan
Office Hours: Monday – Friday 08:30 am - 12:30 pm
Parish Safeguarding Representative: Irene Byrne - contact via Parish Office.



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14TH FEBRUARY 2021 – SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME – YEAR B – PSALTER II

Saturday	13	6:00 p.m.	Packy O'Donnell RIP	Peter Edge RIP
Sunday	14	9:00 a.m.	Margaret Kirby Anni	Jack Costello
		11:00 a.m.	Con & Michael Collins Anni	Jackie Brannigan
Monday	15	10:00 a.m.	Margaret O'Connor	
Tuesday	16	10:00 a.m.	Michael Harrey RIP	
Ash Wednesday	17	10:00 a.m.	Holy Souls	
		7:00 p.m.	Ned Byrane RIP	
Thursday	18	10:00 a.m.	Angela Maguire RIP	
Friday	19	6.30 p.m.	Private Intention (M.P)	
Saturday	20	10:00 a.m.	Michael Leonard RIP	

21ST FEBRUARY 2021 – FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT – YEAR B – PSALTER I

Saturday	20	6:00 p.m.	George Rice RIP	Brendan Byrne RIP
Sunday	21	9:00 a.m.	Patrick McDonnell RIP	Mary Corcoran RIP
		11:00 a.m.	People of the Parish	

Sacrament of Reconciliation - *by appointment only.*
Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament - Friday 6.00-6.30 pm & Saturday 10.30–11.00 am
Divine Mercy Chaplet & Prayer Group - *postponed until further notice.*

Please pray for the sick and housebound in our parish – John Kirby, Janet Jones, Diana Peeney, Veronica McKernan, John Jennings, Delia Stewart, Kitty Sugrue, Mary Basterfield, John McCallion, Michelle Cronin, Mary Davitt, Jophin George

Please pray for the dead - Please keep in your prayers all those that have died at this time. We pray also for those whose anniversaries occur at this time. We pray especially for:

- **Monica Mary Stark** who died peacefully on 21st January. Reception of the Body into Church on 24th Feb at 4.30pm and Her Funeral Mass on 25th Feb at 10a.m.
- **George Rice** who died peacefully at QE Hospital on 4th February 2021. He was member of our parish SVP for over 30 years. Please pray for him and his family too.
- **Brendan Byrne** who died peacefully at home on 5th February 2021 aged 59 years. His Funeral Mass on 15th March at 10a.m.
- **Michael Rafferty** who died peacefully on 11th February. Please pray for him, for his beloved wife, Margaret Rafferty and his family.

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

BOOKING TO COME TO WEEKEND MASSES

Please use the link below to reserve a place for you or for your household:

<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/mass-tickets-126241743453?ref=estw>.

Booking by phone if no internet available. If you book seats via the above link but can't come for whatever reason it is vital that you cancel your reservation in good time.

THIRD NATIONAL LOCKDOWN

As the new and more infectious strain of Covid is very prevalent now, we need to take extra care to keep ourselves and each other safe. Whilst our church remains open for Masses (most of the time) that doesn't mean you have to attend! It is important for each of us to take a responsible decision as to whether or not we come, guided by government advice, scientific evidence and prayer. We have to continue to comply with the Governments very strict safety regulations and we must do all we can to keep everybody safe in church. Those who are suffering from the coronavirus or who show likely symptoms should not come to the Church until they are well in the clear. You must observe social distancing at all times and must not mingle with anyone outside of your household or support bubble when you attend Mass. Sanitise your hands before entering and leaving the church. Face coverings are required by law to wear a face covering immediately before entering and it must be kept on until you leave. The mask MUST completely cover mouth and nose. Please do not gather for conversation before or after Mass either inside or outside church. You need to arrive at least 15 minutes before the start of the celebration of Mass.

We are very grateful to the stewards for keeping us safe in Church. They have been so generous and committed for 10 months now. Without stewards, it will not be safe to celebrate our Masses. We need more stewards to help with welcoming and cleaning our church after each Mass. Please speak to Fr Long if you are willing to help. Thank you for your cooperation in ensuring that we keep the church as a safe place to pray. God be with us today and always! Fr Long Nguyen

PARISH OFFICE - The Parish Administrator, Collette Keegan is now on furlough. Fr Long is around in the morning except Wednesday. If you need to speak to Fr Long or see him urgently, please do contact by email or phone and please leave a message if there is no immediate reply.

FINANCE - I am very grateful to so many of you for continuing to provide your weekly offerings and all those who are supporting by standing order and gift aid. These are such difficult times for so many people. Thank you to so many of you who are making up your contributions over the weeks of lockdown. The income you provide continues to help us offer as much as we can for the parish and keep our building and resources running. Please continue to support our parish. Fr Long.

Weekly offerings can be placed in the baskets in church during Mass, or posted through the Parish office letterbox. Standing orders are also a great way of giving.

BAPTISM - Under the current lockdown we are advised that baptism should be celebrated only in danger of death.

SACRAMENTS IN EMERGENCY - For those who are suffering serious illness and those who require the Sacraments of the dying please do not hesitate to call Fr Long. He is unable to make routine sick calls at this time but will of course come to those in urgent situations.

THE SEASON OF LENT

Lent is traditionally the season of renewal and repentance. During these days we are called to devote ourselves in a special way to prayer, self-denial and works of charity. Lent begins THIS Wednesday (17th Feb). Ash Wednesday is a day of **Fasting and Abstinence** – we are called to **FAST** – perhaps from one meal – and to **ABSTAIN** from eating meat. Mass will be celebrated on Ash Wednesday at **10.00a.m.** and **7.00p.m.** Please can you book through Eventbrite to reserve a seat for you or for your household.

With the COVID precaution of avoiding unnecessary contact, the Ashes will be distributed following the Roman custom, by sprinkling ash over the top of your head rather than the English custom of a paste on your forehead in the form of a cross. This is how it is always done in Vietnam and many other countries. The usual formula - 'Remember that you are dust and to dust you shall return' (a particularly poignant statement in the light of what we are living through) - will be said by the priest before the ashing begins, and the sprinkling will be done in silence and face-covering required.

Other ways to think about to mark Lent

Stations of the Cross: Each Friday evening (not this week, sorry!) at 6.00 p.m. followed by Holy Mass at 6.30 p.m.

Sacrament of Reconciliation: Confession will be available during Holy Hour on every Saturday 10.30 - 11.00 a.m. and after Weekday Mass and by appointment.

Walk With Me Booklets & Calendars available today to help you to journey through this season, A contribution of £1 towards the cost of these



SHRINE OF OUR LADY AND THE SACRED HEART - These lamps burn perpetually at the statues of the Sacred Heart and Our Lady of Fatima. Would you like one of these to burn in memory of a loved one, or for a particular intention? If so, we are asking for a donation of £5 per week, which will go towards the costs of running the sacristy: candles, hosts, wine and other necessities for the celebration of Mass. Please fill out an envelope at the back of Church and hand it to Fr Long. The intentions will be placed in order as they are received and published in the weekly newsletter. The candles are lit from Monday to Sunday.

RIGHT TO LIFE - The evidence that babies can feel pain in the womb, and during many abortions, highlights the humanity of the unborn child and provides another important reason to introduce legislation to protect the unborn child from abortion. Right To Life UK have set up an easy-to-use tool which makes it simple to contact your MP - please visit www.righttolife.org.uk/FetalPainMotion.

ST VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY - If you, or if you know of anyone who would like some assistance from our SVP - then please do get in touch!

ELECTION OF PARENT GOVERNORS - We are seeking to elect two parents of children currently attending the school. The appointment will be for a four year term. If you believe you are able to support the school in this most important role, please contact the school office for a nomination form. The nomination form should be completed and returned to the school office by Friday 26th February 2021. Please contact Mr Simmons for more information on the role of Parent Governor.

Important: Please take this Newsletter and Mass Sheet away with you