

22ND WEEK OF ORDINARY TIME

The Cathedral of St John the Baptist

30th August 2020

Year A · Weekday II · Psalter Week 2

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Sunday 30th August 22 ND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	0900 · Mass 1100 · Mass 1300 · Mass (<i>in Polish</i>) 1630 · Vespers & Benediction 1645 · Confessions 1730 · Mass	For the people Ernesto Grigorenka + Holy Souls
Monday 31st August S Aidan	0730 · Mass 1000 · Mass	Holy Souls Stuart James +
Tuesday 1st September Feria	1000 · Mass 1900 · Mass (<i>followed by adoration</i>) 1930 · Confessions	For a good outcome Dixon +
Wednesday 2nd September Feria	0730 · Mass 1000 · Mass	Henry, Duke of Norfolk + Our parish schools
Thursday 3rd September S GREGORY	1000 · Mass 1900 · Mass	Michael & Joan Sheehan, Theresa Halterman Philips +
Friday 4th September S Cuthbert FIRST FRIDAY	0730 · Mass 1000 · Mass 1600 · Benediction	Holy Souls Canon Paul
Saturday 5th September BVM	1000 · Mass (<i>followed by adoration</i>) 1030 · Confessions 1600 · Mass (<i>in Polish</i>) 1745 · Confessions 1800 · Mass 1845 · Confessions	Alphonso Marcantonio + Bourke Family +
Sunday 6th September 23 RD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	0900 · Mass 1100 · Solemn Mass 1500 · Mass (<i>Old Rite Latin</i>) 1630 · Vespers & Benediction 1645 · Confessions 1730 · Mass	Tommy McGhee + For the people Private intention William, Patrick & Catherine Dunne +

Prayers for the sick: Canon Paul, Fr John Warrington, Margaret Monni, Peter Warrington, Paul Horan, Liam McKenna, Philippa Barnes, Anthony Preston, Nancy Horner, Joan Marshall, Wood Family, Eleanor Bray, Lily Reid, Joe Heaney, Nina Strivens, Mary Ward, Dianne Yeadon, Chris Gillham, Peter Willets, Justina Adamska, Reece Sales, Nicholle Sales, Amanda Caistor, Patrick Campion and Brian Whitlam [GDPR compliant] **Going into hospital?** Please let us know. Fr Leo is the hospital chaplain.

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Usually at this time of year, we prepare to welcome those who are interested in becoming Catholic to our group learning sessions **Journey in Faith**. Because of the many restrictions placed upon group meetings, and general uncertainties at this time, we have decided that the priests will meet with individual people individually. As time goes on, we would hope to gradually incorporate a fraternal element to our adult catechetical instruction.

If you are interested in becoming a Catholic – whether you are already baptised or would like to be baptised – please contact one of the priests using the details overleaf by telephone or email, or even see one of us after Mass.

We have already had some enquiries, so please don't hesitate to approach us. Perhaps this is the year that, by God's grace, it is time to come home.



This week, the Church commemorates several of the northern saints: **St Aidan**, and his companions, **St Cuthbert**, both bishops of Lindisfarne. Aidan reigned as bishop roughly at the same time as our own St Felix, who held the Irishman in high regard. All three saints – and many more, of course – were instrumental in the evangelisation of Saxon England, in service of the poor, and in monastic contemplation of God.

St Gregory the Great, Pope, who first used the title *Servant of the Servants of God*, was once walking through the streets of Rome, as he often did to see his people, when he saw a number of slaves with fair hair. Asking who they were, he was told they were "English" (*Angli*) – "*non angli, sed angeli*: not English, but angels," he said. And so he ordered the evangelisation of the pagan English tribes. He also popularised the washing of feet on Holy Thursday and established the Roman practice of washing 13 pairs of feet: the 12 apostles, and the nameless pauper.



The civil law obliges parishioners and visitors in the Cathedral Church and Narthex to wear a **face covering**.

Persons under 11 and other persons for reasons of disability, physical or mental illness or for other reasons are exempted from wearing a mask. Some disabilities are invisible; it's important that we are all welcome in God's Holy House.

A face covering – or face mask – is a covering of the mouth and nose which remains in place without the use of hands. The priest celebrant himself is exempted from wearing a mask for the liturgy, except if he is to distribute Holy Communion, when he will wear a mask.

Gift aid envelopes are available at the back of the Cathedral Church, for those signed up for gift aid. Donations can also be made any time in the Rotunda by card, by our pillar box at the back, or on our website. Thank you for your continued support!

On Friday 4th September, there will be **Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament for the First Fridays**.

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament will take place from after the 10am mass until 4pm. First Friday Adoration is a time of prayer and intercession for our diocese, all our priests and Bishop Alan. All welcome.

We continue to pray for our children who will be receiving their **First Holy Communion** at Masses over the coming months on Sundays and weekdays.

If you would like to register your child to receive their first Holy Communion **next year**, please look up our News section on the parish website, or, if you reading the newsletter online, click this link: https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=DQSIKWdsW0yxEjajBLZtrQAAAAAAAAAAAAAN_tJTMASUQ1VKRDhLNkXQkpIODFVOE1VWjc1VDRRni4u

The deadline for registration is 15 October.



Narthex Shop – the Narthex remains closed at this time for obvious reasons.

The **Justice and Peace Group** invite you to pray with us this month for our twinned project in **Tambogrande**, Peru. As a country, Peru has been hard hit by Covid 19. Many people in Tambogrande have little access to healthcare and running water into their homes, which can make infection control much more difficult. For further information about the group please feel free to contact Sarah Ebelewicz on scmebelewicz@hotmail.com.

The Duckett Library is closed to visitors but there is a box for returned books outside the library door. If you need to borrow books, please contact us by email (duckettlibrary@sjbcathedral.org) with details and we can arrange issue and collection. We hope to reopen in September.

CAFOD has joined with the UK Disasters Emergencies Committee to help millions of people whose lives are at risk, as coronavirus spreads across refugee camps and countries suffering conflict. You can donate at cafod.org.uk/coronavirus to help CAFOD scale up its coronavirus response through our global Church family. Or use CAFOD's Summer of Hope fundraising ideas with your family and friends to transform lockdown and raise money for the appeal: cafod.org.uk/summerofhope

From next weekend, Mass in Polish will return to its normal time of 4pm on Saturdays.

Baptisms are taking place as usual at the moment (with a limit of 30 persons). Please contact the parish office.

This past week, Graham and Jenny Cole were married at the Cathedral. Please keep them and all recently married couples, and couples preparing to marry, in your prayers.