

Sunday 24th January 2021

Third Sunday of Ordinary Time

We are again open for four Masses during the coming week. The Vigil Mass and Sunday Mass need to be booked in advance. Wednesday morning Mass and Thursday evening Mass, we do not expect to reach 'capacity' but we are still asking you to book because we are required to have a 'track and trace' system in place should we need to contact people who have been together in church. If you have booked on line, we will have your email address. If you have phoned the office we will have asked for your phone number. If you turn up without booking on Wednesday or Thursday, please expect to be asked for your name and a means of contacting you to be used only for 'track and trace' purposes. This information will be destroyed after a few weeks when it will no longer be relevant.

Since numbers at each Mass will be restricted, please give other people a chance to book for a Mass. We obviously encourage you to make sensible decisions about coming to Mass considering the national advice to stay at home, particularly if you are in the very vulnerable category.

In the parish this week

Tuesday *Sacred Heart* 10.00am Mass *church closed – live-streamed only*

Wednesday Sacred Heart 10.00am Mass (booking required)

[To book for Wednesday's Mass click here](#)

Thursday Sacred Heart 5.45pm – 6.20pm. Exposition and Benediction
Sacred Heart 6.30pm Mass (booking required)

[To book for Thursday's Mass click here](#)

Friday *Sacred Heart* 10.00am Mass *church closed – live-streamed only*

Saturday *no midday Mass*
Holy Saviour 6.30pm (booking required)

[To book for the Vigil Mass click here](#)

Sunday Sacred Heart 9.30am Mass (booking required)

[To book for the Sunday Mass click here](#)

Prayer Resource - Lord's Day at Home

For those still at home and not attending Mass the Liturgy Office has prepared a service called "The Lord's Day at Home", based on the Sunday Scriptures, that you can pray on your own or with your family. It is particularly aimed at those not able to follow a Mass on the internet.

[Lord's Day at Home 3B](#)

Holy Saviour's Church is back in use.

I am delighted with how Holy Saviour's church now looks. It has a warmth and cosiness about it. This is also helped by the new heating system, which is now doing a great job, even though having the doors open reduces its effectiveness somewhat!

The irony is, of course, that we have arranged for all this work to be done and then lost the majority of our congregation and most of our income. Please God we will get both back before too long. The total for both jobs is in the region of £22,000. That's a lot of raffle tickets!

God bless you and thank you for your continued support, either in church or at home,
Fr. Peter

I have received this archive material in an email from a parishioner.

No doubt some of you will remember Fr. Aspinall and the contribution he made to Sacred Heart parish.

"All I ask of you is that in whatsoever place you may be, you will remember me at the Altar of God"



Of your Charity, Pray for the Repose of the soul of

Rev. Father John Aspinall,
Former Parish Priest of Sacred Heart, Colne, who died 27th January, 1957
Aged 80 years

On whose Soul, sweet Jesus, have mercy

☉ GOD, who amongst Thy Apostolic Priests hast raised up Thy servant, John, to the dignity of a Priest, grant, we beseech Thee, that he may also be admitted in heaven to their everlasting fellowship. Through Christ, Our Lord, Amen.

Next Thursday, 27th, is the anniversary of Father John Aspinall, who served as Rector/ Parish Priest from 1915 to 1949. I'm sure there are still quite a few who remember him, although we all enjoy his lasting legacy.

Burnley born, Father Aspinall came to Colne when the church was, in his word "mired in debt" When capital debt was cleared once and for all in 1929, fundraising began for all round improvements and renovations, culminating in the installation of the mosaic interior. These took from 1934 until 1940 to complete, and were undertaken by a Manchester concern, Ludwig Oppenheimer, who was at the time doing a lot of work in Ireland. I believe the parishioners paid one penny for each coloured stone, and a shilling for the gold ones. The total outlay came to £6000 for the mosaic work, and about £1500 for all other embellishments. I have read, that the stations, which were made in, and brought from, Venice in 1934, alone cost £6000, although I have not been able to verify this. (It cost £2500 to build the church in 1896 by Edward Simpson of Bradford)