Sunday 6th September 2020 23rd Sunday of Ordinary Time

Dear Parishioners and Friends,

In church this week

This current weekend we will have started our Saturday Evening Vigil Mass at Holy Saviour's. We are very much feeling our way to find out what the needs are and to respond to them. This means that the arrangements may need to be changed. However, we will have the Vigil Mass at Holy Saviour's again next Saturday and the Sunday Mass at Sacred Heart.

During the coming week we will drop the times the church is open for private prayer. This was intended to be an opportunity in the time when we could not celebrate Mass. Now that we are celebrating Mass each day except Mondays, we will revert to the pre-lockdown timetable of weekday Masses, but at Sacred Heart to allow for those who still make use of the live-streaming.

That means that this week Masses will be:

Tuesday and Wednesday at 10.00am at Sacred Heart. (maximum 30)
Thursday at 6.30pm at Sacred Heart. (maximum 30)
Friday at 10.00am at Sacred Heart (maximum 30)
Saturday at 11.45am at Sacred Heart (maximum 30)
Saturday Vigil Mass at 6.30pm at Holy Saviour's (on-line booking)
Sunday Mass at 9.30am at Sacred Heart. (on-line booking)

In addition there will be a Requiem Mass for Linda Melling on Tuesday at Sacred Heart at 1.00pm (restricted numbers, priority to family and family guests).

There will be the opportunity for **silent** prayer before the Blessed Sacrament exposed in the Monstrance from 5.45pm until shortly before Mass on Thursday night. During this time we will try to recapture some of the awe and reverence which is due to Jesus exposed to us for adoration in this special form of his presence by observing strict silence and a lack of any business or organisation during this time of Exposition.

Prayer Resource - Lord's Day at Home

If you would like to say the prayers along with the livestream of Mass, the Lord's Day at Home resource can help you. This week's Lord's Day at Home prayer document can be found by clicking here.

Vigil Mass and Sunday Masses this weekend and next weekend.

Sunday Vigil Mass on the 5th September 2020 at Holy Saviour's will be open to parishioners with a maximum of 30 places available. Please only come if you have booked your place and you can book it using this link.

Saturday Vigil Mass 5th September at Holy Saviour's

Booking will be available from 11.00am on Sunday 30th August.

Sunday Mass on the 6th September 2020 will be open to parishioners with a maximum of 30 places available. Please only come if you have booked your place and you can book it using this link.

Sunday Mass 6th September at Sacred Heart

Booking will be available from 11.00am on Sunday 30th August.

Sunday Vigil Mass on the 12th September 2020 at Holy Saviour's will be open to parishioners with a maximum of 36 places available. Please only come if you have booked your place and you can book it using this link.

<u>Saturday Vigil Mass 6.30pm at Holy Saviour's 12th September</u>

Booking will be available from 11.00am on Sunday 6th September.

Sunday Mass on the 13th September 2020 will be open to parishioners with a maximum of 40 places available. Please only come if you have booked your place and you can book it using this link.

Sunday Mass 9.30am at Sacred Heart 13th September

Booking will be available from 11.00am on Sunday 6th September.

If you are not able to book on-line, then, if possible, please ask someone to do it for you, entering your name on the booking.

If you cannot ask anyone else, then by all means phone the parish office and leave a message requesting the number of places you wish to reserve.

Please make sure you speak clearly and leave your contact number. Please repeat your name and contact number in case the line is not clear and it's difficult to hear and make sure you state clearly which church and Mass you wish to book your place for. Someone will then register your request on-line for you and let you know if there is a place or places available for you. Please do not turn up unless someone has called you back to confirm your reservation!

When you book on-line you will receive an email confirming your reservation and inviting you to print your ticket. You do not need the ticket.

Donations, Collections and Gifts.

Many thanks to those of you who have given money to the parish by bank transfer or by standing order. These gifts have been very important to the parish during this time of decimated income, with little or no reduction in bills and maintenance!

Unfortunately some of you have had trouble with bank transfer with it either not happening, or with the name of the account being rejected. The same seems to have happened with a couple of standing orders which have not come through. It seems that the bank has two names for our parish account: the one on the cheque book and a slightly different one on the bank statement. I gave you the name on the cheque book and it seems that this is sometimes being rejected. I've tried the one on the bank statement and this seems to work ok. Therefore please note that to transfer money to the parish account you will need this information:

Name of the account: TSDT The Sacred Heart Parish, Colne.

Sort Code: 20-55-34 Account Number: 50869627 For those of you who have reported problems, I hope this solves it for you and thank you for your generosity.

God bless you all, Fr. Peter