



Sacred Heart, Colne



Holy Saviour, Nelson



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In Church

Saturday 1st May

Vigil Mass 5th Sunday of Easter 6.30pm Holy Saviour [click here to book](#)

Sunday 2nd May

Mass 5th Sunday of Easter 9.30am Sacred Heart [click here to book](#)

Tuesday 4th May 10.00am Sacred Heart Mass [click here to book](#)

Wednesday 5th May 10.00am Sacred Heart Mass [click here to book](#)

Thursday 6th May 5.45pm Sacred Heart **Exposition** and Benediction

6.30pm Sacred Heart Mass [click here to book](#)

Friday 7th May 10.00am Sacred Heart Mass [click here to book](#)

Saturday 8th May 11.00am - 11.30am Sacred Heart
Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confessions)
There will be **Exposition** during this time.

Saturday 8th May

Vigil Mass 6th Sunday of Easter 6.00pm **Sacred Heart** [click here to book](#)

Sunday 9th May

Mass 5th Sunday of Easter 9.30am **Sacred Heart** [click here to book](#)

Mass 5th Sunday of Easter 11.15am **Holy Saviour** [click here to book](#)

Please note that from 8th May the Mass times and places have both changed for Saturday and Sunday Masses with the exception of 9am at Sacred Heart.

Sunday Prayer Resource – “The 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.

[LDAH - Easter 5B](#)

Change of Weekend Mass times.

It is good to see that there are signs of hope and a growing sense of optimism around our ability to start to relax some of the restrictions on our lives caused by the pandemic. Thank God and a lot of care, sacrifice, skill, endurance and suffering for that.

One of the signs that things are changing is the fact that the 60 places we feel we can safely allow in Sacred Heart Church are clearly now inadequate for the numbers who want to start coming back to Mass here. For the last couple of weeks those 60 places have been booked up by early on Monday. We need to expand our capacity for people to come to 'Sunday Mass' in Colne.

Meanwhile in Nelson, although Fr. Gerard is able to cope with larger numbers at Christ Church on Sunday mornings than we are, because of the flexibility of the seating, I am very conscious that we are still missing so many faithful faces from the Sunday Morning Mass at Holy Saviour's. After a lot of thought and discussion with Father Gerard, it has been decided to restore the 11.15am at Holy Saviour's as **a joint parishes Mass**, replacing and combining the former 11.15am Holy Saviour's and 11.15am St. John Southworth's Masses. Fr. Gerard and myself will alternate celebrating this Mass.

This then gives the opportunity to discontinue the Vigil Mass at Holy Saviour's and to replace it with a Vigil Mass at Sacred Heart, giving two Masses in Colne and two in Nelson for the Sunday celebration.

Therefore, at least for a trial period whilst our church capacities are restricted, we will begin, **from 8th May** to have 'Sunday' Masses as follows:

Vigil Mass at **Sacred Heart** at 6.00pm (note the time)

Sunday Mass at 9.30am at **Sacred Heart**

Sunday Mass at 9.30am at **Christ Church**

Sunday Mass at 11.15am at **Holy Saviour's**.

I sincerely hope that the extra capacity and convenience this will provide for some will outweigh any inconvenience which it causes for others. I ask you to be charitable in your acceptance of the changes and to make them known to the many people who do not have access to this on-line newsletter.

It is most important that people who have not felt able to come to Mass for some time feel welcome to return when they feel the time is right and that they do not feel in any way self-conscious or uncomfortable on their return. I believe we have three very welcoming churches in Nelson and Colne and that you will put extra effort into supporting the stewards and making everyone feel welcome, safe and comfortable.

God bless,

Fr. Peter

From the Diocesan Newsletter

Day of Prayer for the Victims and Survivors of Abuse – 4th May 2021

On Thursday 6th May at Salford Cathedral Bishop John will celebrate Mass for Survivors of Abuse. The Mass will begin at 7pm and is open to all. It will also be streamed on church stream [Watch the Salford Cathedral Livestream here](#)

The Bishops of England and Wales have moved the date of this annual Day of Prayer from Lent to Eastertide, in response to a request from survivors, to express that this is a day in the season of hope and new life on which to pray for those who have been abused.

You may wish to pray the following short Litany.

Response Stay with us, Lord, on our journey

When trust is fragile.

When voices for unheard.

When we are unable to pray.

Response

When suffering is endured

When memories are reawakened.

When we fell betrayed.

Response

When darkness weighs upon us.

When we cannot see you.

When burdens feel too heavy.

Response

When hope seems faint.

When we are weak.

When faith seems difficult.

Response

also From the Diocesan Newsletter

Pray the Rosary with Pope Francis this month, starting this Saturday from Walsingham

FROM THE DEPARTMENT FOR FORMATION

In response to the Holy Father's heartfelt wish, the month of May will be dedicated to a "marathon" of prayer, to ask for the end of the pandemic, which has afflicted the world for more than a year now, and to ask for the resumption of social and work activities. Pope Francis wishes to involve all the Shrines around the world in this initiative, so that they may become vehicles of the prayer of the entire Church. The initiative is being conducted in the light of the biblical expression: **"Prayer by the Church was fervently being made to God"** (Acts 12:5).

Together with the prayer of the Holy Rosary, each day of the month is characterized by a prayer intention for the various categories of people most affected by the plight of the pandemic: *for those who have not been able to say goodbye to their loved ones, for all health care personnel, for the poor, the homeless and those in economic difficulty and for all the deceased*. These are some of the intentions that will punctuate our prayer to Our Lady.

Every Shrine around the world is invited to pray for the resumption of social life, work and the many human activities that were suspended during the pandemic. This common appeal seeks to create an unceasing intercession, dispersed over the meridians of the world, which rises continuously from the entire Church to the Father through the intercession of the Blessed Virgin Mary. For this reason, the Shrines are called to promote and solicit as much as possible the participation of the faithful, so that everyone can devote a moment to daily prayer, in the car, on the street, and thanks to communication technologies, with the *smartphone*, requesting the end of the pandemic and the resumption of social and work activities.

These thirty representative Shrines, scattered throughout the world, have been chosen to lead the Marian prayer each during one day of the month. These shrines are: Our Lady of Walsingham in England; Jesus the Saviour and Mother Mary in Nigeria; Our Lady of Czestochowa in Poland; Basilica of the Annunciation in Nazareth; Blessed Virgin of the Rosary in South Korea; Our Lady Aparecida in Brazil; Our Lady of Peace and Good Voyage in the Philippines; Our Lady of Lujan in Argentina; Holy House of Loreto in Italy; Our Lady of Knock in Ireland; Virgin of the Poor at Banneux in Belgium; Notre Dame d'Afrique in Algeria; Our Lady of the Rosary of Fatima in Portugal; Our Lady of Health in India; Our Lady Queen of Peace at Medjugorje in Bosnia; St. Mary's Cathedral in Australia; Basilica of the Immaculate Conception in the United States; Our Lady of Lourdes in France; Meryem Ana in Turkey; Nuestra Señora de la Caridad del Cobre in Cuba; Our Lady of Nagasaki in Japan; Nuestra Señora de Montserrat in Spain; Notre Dame du Cap in Canada; National Shrine Our Lady Ta' Pinu in Malta; Nuestra Señora de Guadalupe in Mexico; Mother of God in Zarvantsya in Ukraine; Black Madonna of Altötting in Germany; Our Lady of Lebanon – in Lebanon; Blessed Virgin of the Holy Rosary of Pompeii in Italy.

The list of shrines on their allocated days and with the intention specific for each day is found here: [Shrine List Ing.pdf \(pcpne.va\)](#)

Pray the Rosary with Pope Francis this month, starting this Saturday from Walsingham

A liturgical guide is found here: [Shrine List Ing.pdf \(pcpne.va\)](#) It offers a Placing of a Lighted Candle at the image of Our Lady and prayers to accompany the Rosary. Given that, at the moment, the advice is that Masses open to the public should not be prolonged, these resources are offered particularly to be livestreamed or to accompany private prayer.

