



# CATHOLIC CHURCH OF OUR LADY & ST. KENELM

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## LITURGY FOR THE WEEK BEGINNING SUNDAY 23rd AUGUST 2020 21st SUNDAY of ORDINARY TIME (A)

### Mass Times in Church this week

Sat 22nd Aug	21st SUNDAY of the YEAR (A)	6.30pm
Sun 23rd Aug	“ “ “	10.00am
Mon 24th Aug	St. BARTHOLOMEW Ap	————
Tues 25th Aug	St. Joseph Calasanz P	10.00am
Wed 26th Aug	Bd. DOMINIC BARBERI P	————
Thu 27th Aug	St. Monica	10.00am
Fri 28th Aug	St. Augustine BD	————
Sat 29th Aug	The Beheading of St. John the Baptist	6.30pm

### Message from Father Gerry

Dear Friends, I hope you are all keeping well. As I write this, I understand that Birmingham has become an area of special concern for the Government due to a rise in the cases of Coronavirus. It is very important that we all keep ourselves and each other safe. Keep washing your hands, maintain social distancing, wear your mask if in crowded places, and obey Government recommendations. A big 'Thank You' to the parishioners who are working so hard to keep Our Lady & St Kenelm's virus free and make it a safe place for us all to meet and pray.



### Please note that, with effect from the first weekend in September, (5/6<sup>th</sup> September) the Vigil Mass on Saturdays will be at 4.30pm.

I am conscious that the winter, with its dark evenings and inclement weather, is inevitably approaching and that the state of the road outside the church is somewhat hazardous, plus that there was some enthusiasm for celebrating Mass earlier when I asked, hence the change. I hope this will work well and may encourage more people to come. Sunday Mass remains unchanged at 10am. Weekday Mass this week will be as follows:

Sunday 23rd August: 10am      Tuesday 25th August: 10am  
 Thursday 27th August: 10am      Saturday 29th August: 6.30pm  
**Saturday 5th September 4.30pm**

I discovered a beautiful film on YouTube this week about Sr Clare Crockett, a real-life Derry Girl whose ambition was to become a famous actress but who instead became a nun. She was born in 1992 in Derry, Northern Ireland, and died in an earthquake in Ecuador in 2015. The title of the film is 'All or Nothing' (Sr Clare's personal motto) and is well worth seeing. Highly recommended!  
 Stay safe!  
 Fr Gerry x

### MASS INTENTIONS to Parish Clergy please

**Mass Intentions.** If you require a Mass intention, speak to Father Gerry either personally at Mass or give him a call on the 'phone. He celebrates Mass every day.

### What Should I do if I Can't go to Mass?

Follow Mass on-line: \*<https://www.churchservices.tv/whats-on-now/>  
 \*<https://www.mcnmedia.tv/camera/our-lady-all-saints> or visit the Birmingham Archdiocese website to find other churches in the diocese to stream.

### Making a Spiritual Communion

- \* Make the sign of the cross
- \* You could read the Gospel of the day
- \* Then share prayer intentions
- \* Say the Lord's Prayer
- \* Make an act of spiritual communion
- \* Close with the sign of the cross.

*My Jesus, I believe that You are present in the Blessed Sacrament. I love You above all things, and I long for You in my soul. Since I cannot now receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. As though You have already come, I embrace You and unite myself entirely to You; never permit me to be separated from You. Amen*

### A prayer for all those affected by coronavirus

*Keep us, good Lord, under the shadow of your mercy.  
 Heal the sick! Sustain and support the anxious.  
 Be with those who care for the sick, and lift up all who are brought low; that we may find comfort knowing that nothing can separate us from your love in Christ Jesus our Lord.  
 Amen.*

*Make mercy the air you breathe."  
 Pope Francis*

### Envelope Offertory Giving

Weekly Offertory Envelopes are now available for collection in the narthex of the church.

### John Conlan writes ....Maintenance work in church continues

We have carried on doing vital maintenance work (remember the roof leaks before lockdown) while the church has been closed even though the parish income has fallen dramatically in the absence of offertory collections. If anyone who has not been able to give would consider switching to bank standing order to help us during this time it would be enormously helpful. You will find a standing order form with instructions for completion on the "Your Offertory Giving" page on the parish website at <https://www.ourladyandstkenelm.org.uk/how-to-support-the-parish.html>

We are working hard to ensure that your church is in the best condition possible for the day when we all meet up again at Mass.

**Your Offertory giving is still vital.  
 Please consider a standing order.**

### LEBANON EMERGENCY APPEAL SOS ACN

LEBANON EMERGENCY APPEAL SOS AID TO THE CHURCH IN NEED THIS IS AN EMERGENCY APPEAL FOR THE PEOPLE OF BEIRUT. Parishioners have been very generous supporters of Aid to the Church in Need (ACN) in the past, usually through the Red Box retiring collections in the narthex ACN is providing help to 5,000 poor families worst affected by the blast which devastated the port area and a Christian district of the Lebanese capital. ACN reports thousands of young Christian volunteers are on the ground in Beirut delivering emerging help, as Lebanon reels from the explosion that ripped through the heart of the capital. As attendance in church is limited, individual contributions could be sent directly to ACN. Here is a link <https://acnuk.org/news/lebanon-young-ministers-of-mercy/>



In your prayers, please remembered those who have recently died (*Philip Curtis, Brian Bonehill, Mick Massingham*) and those deceased members of our parish whose anniversaries occur about now – *Irene Bonehill, Eva Brine, Joe Brody, Bridene Clark, Marion Evans, Marjorie Gabriel, Pauline Harris, Joe Hatton and Sally Wingfield.*



Please pray for the repose of the soul of Vera Jarvis who died this week. She ran the Brownies at OLSK for many years and was a legend in "Brownie World" with the highest standards. She must have given countless numbers of girls a very memorable experience.

Continue to keep Father Bruce in your prayers as he due to have his procedure on Friday.

Congratulations to Shelagh and Peter who celebrated their Golden Wedding Anniversary



Next Weekend Sat/Sun 29/30 August '20  
 22nd SUNDAY of ORDINARY TIME (A)

MASSES at usual weekend times  
 Saturday : 6.30 pm.  
 Sunday : 10.00 am.