



SHREWSBURY
CATHEDRAL

SUNDAY 23 FEBRUARY 2020 SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (A)



LENT RAPIDLY APPROACHING

This coming week we mark Ash Wednesday and the season of Lent begins. It will take us from our Lord in the desert through His Passion to His glorious Resurrection on Easter Sunday. You'll be able to see on the back page of the newsletter the various times of Masses and services for the beginning of Lent: I hope that one or more of them will fit with your family schedule and working commitments. The Bishop will offer the 12.15pm here at the Cathedral and next Sunday he will celebrate both the 10.45am Mass and the Rite of Election at 3pm for people across the diocese due to become Catholics at Easter.

As announced last Sunday, the works begin to remove the platforming and carpet on Monday 2nd March. From then, Monday - Friday all weekday Masses at the Cathedral will take place in the Parish Room at the usual time of 12.15pm preceded by confessions. The daily Holy Hour will also take place in the Parish Room Monday - Friday. Saturdays and Sundays the schedule will be maintained and be in the Cathedral. I had hoped to be able to have a General Parish Meeting before the works begin, but time has not allowed. I will try my utmost to have a meeting before Easter. Meanwhile, parishioners are always welcome to be in touch with me directly.

Finally, we've launched on social media a new logo for the Cathedral and are renewing the corporate 'branding' across our website (to be renewed and updated) and our stationery, signage, etc. This is all part of renewing and refreshing the Cathedral itself. The design of the logo is from the uncovered tiles and was graphically designed by The Curious, a firm on Belmont. I hope you like it! God bless us all in the week to come and our Lenten works of prayer, fasting, and charity begin.

Father Edmund



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PARISH NEWS

Stations of the Cross: Stations of the Cross after 8:30am Mass every Sunday in Lent.

“The things we love tell us who we are” - St Thomas Aquinas: The Confraternity of the Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament invites you to consider spending time with Our Lord this Lenten season. Daily Adoration offers us a tremendous opportunity for prayer and reflection with Our Lord in the Most Holy Sacrament of the Eucharist. Would you be willing to devote an hour a week in the company of Jesus as part of your Lenten exercises? The Confraternity is in the process of reorganising in order to welcome more parish members into the Confraternity and build a larger community centred around the Eucharist. If you have any thoughts or suggestions on how we can better establish the Confraternity please contact Alix Murray: afmurray94@icloud.com

Rewiring and Relighting at St Winefride’s: The rewiring works began Monday 3rd February necessitating the closure of the church Monday-Friday. The church will be made accessible for the usual Sunday routine.

Children’s Liturgy (Cathedral): We have been fortunate to have had many people involved in leading the Children’s Liturgy of the Word on Sundays at the Cathedral and after giving so generously, some of our volunteers are stepping back from this role. I would like to take this opportunity to thank them for their service of our parish and our families. In caring for families with young children across the three Masses at the Cathedral, I would be grateful to hear from any parishioners who would like to be trained up for the role of providing Children’s Liturgy during the 10.45am Mass and what support we can offer. This is perhaps an area of the Cathedral’s life we can invest in, so please speak to me or Father Owen/Deacon Ron should you have any ideas or suggestions.

CAFOD 20-week draw: Week 3 £10 prize No. 18 M. Underwood.

PARISH EVENTS

Charity Pancake Event: All parishioners are invited to a Shrove Tuesday pancake party. There will be crepes and pancakes (some gluten free) with various toppings and snacks and drinks hot and cold between 7:30-9:00pm in the parish room at the Cathedral. All proceeds will go to the Street Pastors Soup Hub and the SVP. Help with flipping pancakes and serving drinks as well as bringing cold snacks would be most welcome. Tickets sold on the door. £5 for two pancakes, snacks and a glass of wine (or a non-alcoholic drink if preferred). Please get in touch with Catherine Mangham for further information. cmjmangham1@gmail.com (07876484219) All welcome.

Bereavement Support Coffee morning: The next coffee morning will be held on Monday 2nd March 10.30am-12.00noon in the Orchard cafe. There is also a Walk and Talk for those who would like to participate, leaving the Orchard cafe at about 10.30am for a short walk and returning to the cafe at 11.30am to re-join the coffee morning. All welcome.

The Lourdes Group: Will be serving homemade soup, in the Parish Room, during the Cathedral Coffee Morning, until the weather becomes warmer! Please join us for some soup and a chat with friends old and new. Remember to bring a suitable container if you would like to take some soup home with you. The Cathedral coffee morning will be served in Chapter House after the 10.45am Mass this week. All are welcome.

Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes 2020: Booking Forms and brochures, along with general information about the pilgrimage, are available on the pilgrimage website at <http://www.shrewsburypilgrimage.co.uk/>. The dates are **Overland:** Tues 28th July - Wed 5th August and **Air:** Wed 29th July - Tues 4th August. Please contact Christine or Tony on 01743 246916 or tbrn@btinternet.com for more information or if you would like a printed copy of the Booking Form and/or brochure.

Shrewsbury Cathedral Parish Pilgrimage: The next pilgrimage is on **Sunday 22nd March 2020**. Departing from the Abbey Foregate Car Park at 2.00pm. Our journey, this time, will take us to St Mary's College, Oscott, which is the Seminary serving our Diocese and is where several of our Discerners are currently studying. Sunday 22nd March is a family open day and gives us, as the Parish Family, the opportunity to meet with our trainee priests. We will begin our visit with afternoon tea, followed by a tour of the College, led by one of the Seminarians. After this we will join together with all the Seminarians and visitors for Sung Evening Vespers. We will depart from Oscott between 7.00 - 7.15pm and will arrive back at the Abbey Foregate Car park for 9.00pm. It may be possible to incorporate a snack stop on the return journey, but this will be confirmed at a later date, otherwise feel free to bring a packed meal. The cost of this Pilgrimage is just £10.00 to cover the coach journey. Thank you for your continued support. Mary Roberts.

OTHER NEWS/EVENTS

Funeral arrangements for Rex Turner: Please pray for the happy repose of the soul of Rex Turner. The funeral service will be at Shrewsbury Crematorium on Wednesday 26th February at 1.15pm. Eternal rest grant unto him, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon him. May he rest in peace. Amen.

Shrewsbury Cathedral Catholic Primary School: Ash Wednesday Liturgy at 1.45pm. All welcome.

Transport/Outings request: An elderly parishioner seeks transport and company for outings. Times and terms negotiable. For details please tel: 01743 244083

Singing the Word! Proclaiming The Word through Music: Singing the Word is a day offered by the Diocesan Liturgy Commission for cantors, singers, instrumentalists, clergy and congregations. In this Year of the Word, you are invited on Saturday 21 March from 10am to 3pm to join the Liturgy Commission at Saint John Plessington Catholic College on the Wirral. Places are £5 payable on the day to help cover costs (6 places for £25). Our Key Note speaker for the day is Mr Martin Foster a well known composer and Director of the National Liturgy Office. To reserve a place contact Anthony Timothy at the Curial Offices 0151 652 9855 or anthony.timothy@dioceseofshrewsbury.org

Marriage Encounter Weekend 4th to 5th July 2020: An Opportunity for all Married Couples to enrich their marriage and renew their commitment to one another. A non-residential Marriage Encounter Weekend will be held at Savio House, Bollington, Nr Macclesfield, SK10 5RW. Most couples and many priests find this a very rewarding experience. Book now at www.wvme.org.uk or for more information contact Charles & Krysia Golabek on 01625 263627 charles.golabek@ntlworld.com or Mark & Liz Dutton on 01625 428498 lizmark@lizmark1.co.uk. There are Travel Lodges in Adlington & Macclesfield and a Premier Inn in Tytherington – all within 3 miles.

Parish Hymn Books: Please note the Gloria and Latin hymns are in the back of the new hymn books and they are not listed in the index.

World Day of Prayer: Praying with Zambia on Friday 6th March 2020 from 10.30am at Shrewsbury Baptist Church, Claremont Street, Shrewsbury. All welcome.

Request for a Cleaner: Would any parishioner be able to help with a request for a part time cleaner? Needed for approximately 4 hours a week. The house is located just off Town Walls. Please contact Siobhan Connor Tel: 07966177025 or email siobhanconnorpr@gmail.com Many thanks.

Year of the Word Diocesan Spring Talks: Everyone is welcome to come and reflect on the Word of God; no prior study needed. The same talk is given in 3 different areas of the diocese, as follows:

Fr John Britto: Verbum Domini/Word of the Lord (Pope Benedict XVI)

Sun 23 Feb: Sacred Heart and St Peter's, Baguley 19:00- 20:30 (Registration 18:30)

Thurs 27 Feb: St Columba's 19:00-20:30 (Registration 18:30)

Sat 29 Feb: Shrewsbury Cathedral 11:00-12:30 (Registration 10:30)

Miss Barbara Davies: The Language we use to speak of God

Sun 01 Mar: Sacred Heart and St Peter's, Baguley 18:30-19:00-20:30 (Registration 18:30)

Wed 04 Mar: Our Lady Star of the Sea, Ellesmere Port 18:30-19:00-20:30 (Registration 18:30)

Sat 07 Mar: Shrewsbury Cathedral 11:00-12:30 (Registration 10:30)

Collections	16 February
Cathedral	£774.64
St Winefride	£338.15
Institute of Christ the King	£189.00
Our Lady of Pity	£188.45

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HOLY MASS SCHEDULE IN THE WEEK AHEAD: 23 FEBRUARY 2020

Sat 22 February The Chair of St Peter, AP <i>Vigil of the following:</i>	9.30am 6pm	Cathedral Our Lady of Pity, Harlescott	Marykuty Jose Chackiath Mary Holles	RIP
Sun 23 February Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time Day of Special Prayer for the Unemployed	8.30am 9am 9am 9.30am 9.30am 10.30am 10.45am 11.15am 6pm	Cathedral Our Lady of Pity, Harlescott St Mary, Shifnal St George, Whitchurch St Winefride, Monkmoor St Joseph, Albrighton Cathedral St Winefride, Monkmoor Cathedral	People of the Parish Thanksgiving for recovery K.T Thomas Sue and Hugh O'Donnell	Polish EF
Mon 24 February	7.30am 12.15pm	Convent Chapel Cathedral	Ann McGeary Eddie Geisler	Sick RIP
Tue 25 February	9.30am 12.15pm	Our Lady of Pity, Harlescott Cathedral	Mary Holles Michael Duggan	RIP RIP
Wed 26 February Ash Wednesday	7.30am (EF) 7.30am 9.30am 12.15pm 6.15pm 7.00pm (EF)	Cathedral St George, Whitchurch Our Lady of Pity, Harlescott Cathedral Cathedral Cathedral	All the Sick and Housebound Peggy Geisler and Family Patrick Sweeney	RIP
Thu 27 February Thursday after Ash Wednesday	9.30am 12.15pm	Our Lady of Pity, Harlescott Cathedral	Mary Holles Kathleen Hargreaves	RIP RIP
Fri 28 February Friday after Ash Wednesday	12.15pm	Cathedral	Marion Bradshaw	Birthday
Sat 29 February Saturday after Ash Wednesday <i>Vigil of the following:</i>	9.30am 6pm	Cathedral Our Lady of Pity, Harlescott	Daryll Speak Mary Holles	Sick RIP
Sun 1 March First Sunday of Lent 3pm Rite of Election takes place at the Cathedral	8.30am 9am 9am 9.30am 9.30am 10.30am 10.45am 11.15am 6pm	Cathedral Our Lady of Pity, Harlescott St Mary, Shifnal St George, Whitchurch St Winefride, Monkmoor St Joseph, Albrighton Cathedral St Winefride, Monkmoor Cathedral	People of the Parish Rex Turner Andrew Hernon Peter Cooney	Polish RIP Ann. RIP EF RIP

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT: Every day 5-6pm concluding with Evening Prayer and Benediction

CONFESSION: Confession available before every weekday Mass and every Sunday Mass for one hour. On a Saturday confessions are after Mass for one hour.

SAFEGUARDING

Bridie Croucher, Parish safeguarding co-ordinator, 07946 735289

Andrew O'Brien, Diocesan safeguarding co-ordinator, 0151 6529855

CATHEDRAL CLERGY

Rev Fr Edmund Montgomery, Administrator of the Cathedral

Rev Fr Owen Gallagher, Rev Fr Isidore Madueke, Assistant Priests, Rev Fr Gerard McGuinness (retired Priest)

Rev Fr Tom Cunnah, Judicial Vicar, Vice-Chancellor, Administrator of Shifnal and Albrighton

Rev Canon Scott Smith, Rev Fr Anselm Gribbin, Institute of Christ the King Sovereign Priest

Rev Ron Ball, Ben Tomnay, Fred Beddow, Parish Deacons

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