

**CHURCH OF OUR LADY & ST. GEORGE**

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**SINCE ALL MASSES AND OTHER SERVICES ARE  
 SUSPENDED DUE TO THE  
 CORONAVIRUS OUTBREAK  
 PLEASE SHARE CHURCH  
 NEWS WITH FRIENDS, FAMILY  
 AND NEIGHBOURS  
 BY TELEPHONE IF THEY  
 CANNOT ACCESS THE  
 ONLINE BULLETIN**



Jesus said to the Twelve:

**“Do not be  
 afraid”**

MAT 10: 26-33

Check our website [www.olstgeorge.org.uk](http://www.olstgeorge.org.uk) and media gallery for a video related to this Sunday, and for previous video recordings. This week Gerry Devlin will give us a few words about music in our parish.

#### Opening for private prayer.

The church will open for private prayer this Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> June from 11 am until 3 pm and from 6 -7 pm. We are grateful to those who have agreed to be stewards to guide people as they enter, to direct them to the seats that are available, and indicate the one way system which is in place. (Stewards were contacted mostly by email. If you wish your email address to be added to the ones we have, you can indicate this by emailing the parish address.

1. Face coverings must be worn. Please bring your own if possible.
2. A one way system will be in place. Enter by the middle aisle and exit by the side aisles.
3. Seating arrangements will observe social distance. Bringing your own cushion would also help. Wooden surfaces, it would seem, carry the virus for up to 2 days. (See 6 below)
4. Toilets are not to be used. Exceptions may be made and when there are exceptional circumstances they are to be cleaned and disinfected after each use.
5. The church will be cleaned each morning before opening.
6. Sanitisers are to be used on entering and leaving and if you wish you can use the wipes available to go over the seat you are to use.
7. Candles are not to be handled but if you wish you can request the steward to light one for you.

**Confessions.** This week, all being well, the Sacrament of Reconciliation will be available Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday from 6-7 pm when the church is expected to be quieter. It is intended to set up a screen at the front of the church, beside the organ, and religious music may be played which may avoid people being overheard. At least, missing Mass will not be featuring since the obligation has been suspended these past few months!

#### ACT OF SPIRITUAL COMMUNION

My Jesus, I believe that you are present in this Holy Sacrament of the altar. I love you above all things and I passionately desire to receive you into my soul. Since I cannot now receive you sacramentally, come spiritually into my soul so that I may unite myself wholly to you now and forever. Amen.

(Based on a prayer of St Alphonsus Liguori)

#### SOUTHSIDE FOODBANK

IF YOU CAN, PLEASE REMEMBER AN ITEM OF FOOD OR HYGIENE FOR THE FOODBANK. ALL OUR LOCAL SUPERMARKETS HAVE A COLLECTION POINT. MANY THANKS FOR YOUR CONTINUED SUPPORT

### Prayers Requested.

We remember all who have died, especially those who have died recently, including, Dymphna Connelly. We remember also those whose anniversaries occur including, Sara Barron, Noel Barron, Rose Ann Flaherty (23 yr) Christine Bradley (Month's Mind).

**Birthday greetings** Congratulations to Jimmy Lynn who will be 98 on 24<sup>th</sup> June which is also the feast of St John the Baptist. Jimmy is pleased to say that his birthday was the day of the battle of Bannockburn in 1314 and that Robert the Bruce had a great devotion to St John the Baptist. We are looking forward to the familiar figure of Jimmy crossing Sandwood Rd once again when things are eased even more to join us for weekday as well as Sunday Mass. Happy birthday, Jimmy.

**Finances** Thanks to all who contribute to the parish upkeep, whether it is by putting it through the letter box of the presbytery while taking the permitted exercise, or by bank transfer, or by standing order. £670 was contributed last week, not including donations through the bank. Unemployment and other financial situations mean that many are not able to keep up contributions as in the past, and this must be acknowledged.

### Fr Joe writes

When Phil Barron is asked "How are you?" he is known to answer: "Still on the right side of the grass!" Every March or April I will whisper to myself: "Well, you have survived another winter." This year, however, there was not much reassurance with covid-19 prowling around "like a roaring lion looking for someone to eat." (Cf 1Peter5:9) There is no room for complacency!

"Do not be afraid" the Lord tells us in the Gospel. How, though do we manage our fears? He guides us and directs us to put our trust in our heavenly Father who looks after all those sparrows we hear chirping around us. Without thinking we put our trust in the airline pilot who takes us to sunny Donegal when the time is right, or the ship's captain who steers the vessel into Castlebay or Lochboisdale and we don't even know who they are! How much greater trust we should have then in our heavenly Father? Winter may be over, Covid may be lurking around, but we are not to be afraid.



### WEBSITE OF THE WEEK

*Lectio Divina* is the oldest method of Bible reading, systematised around the 5<sup>th</sup> century. It is a dialogue between the written biblical word and life experience. In the dialogue our experience throws light on the Bible word, bringing it to life for us so that we feel at home with it. The Bible word in turn throws light on our experience which is transformed from merely being an event into being a word of God spoken to us.

*Lectio Divina* presupposes that every Bible text speaks to the imagination. It invites us to enter through our imagination into the movement. There are many excellent online resources for guided *Lectio*. One of these is provided by the Carmelite Brothers in Rome. You can access it at: [www.newpilgrimpath.ie](http://www.newpilgrimpath.ie)

