

# CHURCH OF OUR LADY AND ST GEORGE

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## Masses

Masses temporarily  
suspended due to the  
current Coronavirus  
outbreak.

## Sacraments:

**Marriage:** By  
appointment with Parish  
Priest  
(6 months notice  
required)

**Baptism:**  
By appointment  
with Parish Priest (forms  
in porch)

**Sacrament of the Sick:**  
For those seriously ill or  
going into hospital.  
Please contact Father  
Joe.

**Funerals:** Please  
approach the Parish  
Priest in the event of a  
bereavement.

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[www.olstgeorge.org.uk](http://www.olstgeorge.org.uk)  
and media gallery for a  
video related to this  
Sunday, and for previous  
video recordings.

# 'The Feast of St Peter and Paul'

Sunday 28th June 2020



**This Sunday is  
the Feast of St  
Peter and St Paul.**

The feast has been  
transferred from  
Monday 29<sup>th</sup> June  
to the nearest  
Sunday. Peter was  
martyred, crucified  
upside down  
around 64 AD and  
Paul was beheaded  
in prison around 67  
AD.

## OPENING FOR PRIVATE PRAYER

The church will open for private prayer this week, 11am until 3 pm and again from 6 pm until 7 pm. We have a review this Monday at 11 am. **Opening time on Saturday and Sunday will be 4pm to 6 pm..** This replaces the times mentioned on the video for this weekend. We are grateful to those who have agreed to be stewards to welcome people as they enter, guide them to the seats that are available, and indicate the one way system which is in place.

- **Face coverings must be worn. Please bring your own if possible.**
- **A one way system is in place. Enter by the middle aisle and exit by the side aisles. Since numbers are quite low for private visits the front doors are used for entering and exiting**
- **Seating arrangement observe social distance. Wooden surfaces. It would seem, carry the virus for up to 2 days. Seats will be sanitised after use.**
- **Toilets should not be used, if possible. When they are used they are to be cleaned and disinfected after each use.**
- **The church will be cleaned each morning before opening.**
- **Sanitisers are to be use on entering and leaving.**
- **Candles are not to be handled but if you wish you can request the steward to light one for you.**

## PRAYERS REQUESTED

We remember all who have died, especially those who have died recently, including, Dympna Connelly.

We remember also those whose anniversaries occur including, Clare Woods, Joe Farmer, John Docherty, Nan Carmichael.

**CONFESSIONS:** This week, all being well, the Sacrament of Reconciliation will be available Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday from 6-7. Pm. A screen has been set up at the front of the church, beside the organ, and religious music may be played which may avoid people being overheard. It may be necessary to remove the face covering during Confession. The seat is to be sanitised after use.

**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)*

**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. £550 was contributed last week, not including donations through the bank. Financial hardships will mean that some may not be able to contribute as before.

**Fr Joe writes:** I was sound asleep when the doorbell rang at ten past four, no, not in the afternoon but in the morning. The heartbeat quickened but I stayed still. There was another round of ringing but I still stayed silent. I listened attentively and could hear the murmurings of a seemingly intoxicated gentleman. He didn't have a kind word to say about the priest!

Frustrated perhaps by the lack of response he must have wondered how he could make his mark. My beloved little chair was at the front door as usual. How it landed here I am not sure. I believe there were porta cabins at one time on the grounds which served as classrooms for children, and perhaps the little chair was a leftover from those days.

Anyway I heard a scraping noise which I rightly took to be one of the steel legs of the chair on the wood of the door. Easy fixed, I said to myself, and after a while and no more noise except the birds warming up for the dawn chorus I drifted off again to the land of nod.

Thankfully, such a disturbance is a rare event and my heart goes out to those who are wakened continually during the night due to illness, or to attend to loved ones, or to attend to the new arrivals into the human family.

## BIRTHDAY GREETINGS

*Cleaning halted for a few moments last Monday morning as “Happy Birthday” rang out for Moira MacDonald.*



## SOUTHSIDE FOODBANK

Please, if you can, remember an item of food or hygiene for the foodbank when shopping.

Each of the local supermarkets has a Collection Point. Many thanks.

