

**ST OSWALD & ST EDMUND ARROWSMITH
CATHOLIC CHURCH**

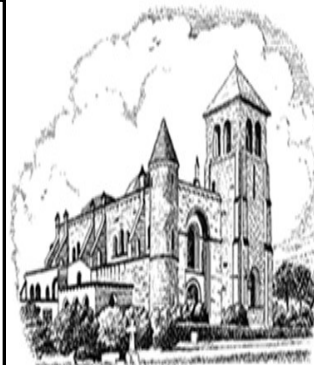
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Week commencing: 28th June 2020

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Saturday	6.00pm	In Thanksgiving (TM)
Sunday	9.30am	Parishioners
	11.00am	Joseph Dearden
	6.30pm	Chris Brien

Weekday Masses

Monday	9.00am	John & Margaret Mather & Hannah Bolton
Tuesday	1st Martyrs of the See of Rome	
	9.30am	Private Intention
Wednesday	9.30am	Juan Fernandez
Thursday	9.30am	Sick & Retired Priests
Friday	St. Thomas, Apostle	
	9.00am	Brian Topping
Saturday	10.00am	Private Intention

14th SUNDAY of ORDINARY TIME (A)

Saturday	6.00pm	Pam Hughes
Sunday	9.30am	Kay Bridson
	11.00am	Tom Roberts
	6.30pm	Parishioners

Services during the week

Confessions: There are no Confessions until further notice.

Rosary: There is no public recitation of the Rosary until further notice.

Holy Hour: There are no public Holy Hours until further notice.

Novena: There is no Novena until further notice.

Restored Lives

The 'Restored Lives' programme used for the divorced and separated plan to deliver their summer training conference on the 3rd July using Zoom. It is an ideal opportunity for anyone to find out more about the course and what's involved in setting one up.

You can find more details and tickets here: <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/restored-lives-training-day-2020-tickets-94840330983>

Cautious Re-opening of Churches for Public Worship

The Archbishop will give permission for churches to re-open for Mass and other public services beginning on **Monday 6th July** under the strict conditions set out below for the prevention of infection and the protection of those attending. Permissions will be reversed should rates of infection rise. The normal schedule of Masses will therefore recommence from that date in the usual locations.

- Each church will have a limited number of people who can be in the building. (for St.Oswald's, this number is 130; for Our Lady's 100; for St. Wilfrid's 75)
 - There should be no concelebrating at a public Mass.
- A church can only be opened for Mass once it has been made ready and has been approved by the Dean. A risk assessment and other documentation must be completed and returned to the Dean.

GENERAL PRINCIPLES:

- The vulnerable should carefully consider the wisdom of returning to Mass too soon. They are not obliged to do so. The Sunday obligation has not been re-instated.
- Those who are able are encouraged to gather on a weekday rather than a Saturday evening or Sunday, to release the pressure on weekend Masses.
 - Social distancing guidelines are still in force i.e. 1 metre plus.
 - Every 2nd row must be closed off.
 - Church doors and windows should be left open.
- Volunteer stewards are required to be on hand to direct hand sanitising on arriving and leaving, to direct people to benches and to encourage worshippers to maintain reasonable social distancing.
 - Votive candles may be lit, but only from a lit candle.
- Single use newsletters, Mass sheets, or other papers may be used but must be taken home.
- Only the priest should be on the sanctuary – without deacons, servers or readers.
 - There will be no Sign of Peace.
 - There will be no singing.
 - There should be no handshakes or hugs etc. after services.
 - Collections should be in a basket on the way in and the way out.
- Lingering clusters of conversation in the porch or outside the church are to be avoided.
- Volunteers are required to sanitise bench surfaces and doors etc. after each Mass.
 - Toilets must remain closed and only be used in a genuine emergency.

FACEMASKS

- People coming to Church will have to wear a facemask, which they will be permitted to lower to receive Holy Communion.

RECEPTION OF HOLY COMMUNION:

- Holy Communion will be given as the Sacred Host only.
- The priest will wear a visor while distributing Holy Communion and sanitise his hands before and after distribution.
 - Holy Communion will be distributed after the final dismissal of the Mass.
 - The priest will receive Holy Communion at the usual point of Mass.
- The words: “The Body of Christ. Amen” will only be said once at the beginning of distribution. They are not to be repeated for each communicant.
- Communicants will be directed to approach the altar and then leave the church directly after receiving Holy Communion without returning to their benches.
- Parishioners should avoid bringing shopping or other large personal items to church in order to avoid returning to their places after receiving Holy Communion.
- Volunteer stewards will moderate the flow of those processing for Holy Communion.
- Communicants are instructed to approach with arms outstretched in order to maintain a reasonable distance from the minister.
 - Reception of Holy Communion on the tongue is not permitted.
- Communicants must avoid skin to skin contact with the minister’s hands. If contact happens the Priest is to pause and sanitise his hands.
- Communicants should step to one side and then place the Sacred Host in their mouth and then follow directions to leave the church.

FUNERALS:

- A Funeral Service of the Word and Commendation can take place in any Church that is ready for opening from Monday 6th July.
 - To prevent the possibility of infections spreading these should be small family gatherings, bearing in mind the agreed safe capacity of the church.
 - Coffins cannot be touched and must not have any objects placed on them.
 - Holy Water may be used, but not incense.

BAPTISMS:

- Baptisms can take place in any church that is ready for opening.
- To prevent the possibility of infections spreading these should be small family gatherings, bearing in mind the agreed safe capacity of the church.
- Parents who had a Baptism postponed will be contacted this week to re-arrange.

WEDDINGS:

- Weddings Services can take place in any church that is ready for opening.
 - There are to be no more than 30 people present.

RECONCILIATION:

- Arrangements for the Sacrament of Reconciliation will be announced in due course.

**St. Oswald’s Church will remain open for private prayer and devotion
from Monday – Friday between 10.00am—12 noon and**