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Second Sunday of Easter

We come to a loving Father who understands our weaknesses and who calls us to trust him and hold to him even when it's easier to doubt.

First Reading Acts 4:32-35 The first Christians were so filled with love and gratitude towards God that they were willing to share everything they had.

Second Reading 1 John 5:1-6 The apostle reassures struggling Christians that by loving God they have the strength to love each other and remain faithful to God.

Gospel John 20:19-31 The risen Jesus brings a message of peace to the frightened disciples, and a special reassurance to Thomas who struggled with doubt.



Sat 10th 5pm	Public Mass	People of the Parish
Sunday 11th 10am	Public Mass	Kathleen Smith
Mon. 12th 9am	Mass	Phyllis Rourke
Tues. 13th 12noon 3:30pm	Public Mass	Ints of Barbara and Richard Carleton Crematorium Service for Sheila Baines
Wed. 14th 9am	Mass	Susan Mitchell (B'day Remembrance)
Thurs. 15th 12 Noon	Public Mass	Malcolm Price
Fri. 16th	No Mass today	

Third Sunday of Easter

Sat 17th 5pm	Public Mass	Katie Ray (B'day Remembrance)
Sunday 18th 10am	Public Mass	People of the Parish

We ask your prayers for all those who have died recently, especially Sheila Baines and Ann Walker and all those whose anniversary of death occur about this time especially Margaret Potts, Neil Stanforth, Joyce Thompson, Ken booth, Ian Bamforth, Mary Bailey, Mary Edelenbosch, Pat and Andrew Hallas, John MacCormac, Carol O'Flaherty, Bernadette Corr Mullen, Ann Williams, Margaret Pickup, Margaret Sintes, Jessie Storrie Garcia, Ted Hughes, Gladys Fitton, Mary Ann Sharples, Hilda Martin and Bernadette McNamara **and for those in need of our prayers:** those in hospital, the hospice, our priests at St. Winefride's, and Michael Barnes, Meg Brett, , Joseph Curran, Maria Curran, Joan Farnen, Michael Garrity, Tricia and Les Gibbie, Roland Hamer, Ken Hargreaves, Stephen Haydon, Paul Huson, Mo Long, Ethel Marshall, Gloria Morris, Bob Taylor, and Ann Walker

St. Bernadette's is NOT CLOSED

we are just going to have to do things differently for a while.

Private Prayer & Exposition: Today 12noon – 1pm

Mass will be streamed live on Saturday at 5pm and Sunday at 10am. and then available for the week. If you wish to watch 'live' please tune in five minutes beforehand.

Easter Services will be Streamed Live

Please join us in prayer on the St. Bernadette's Bispham Channel on the YouTube.

Search 'YouTube St. Bernadette's Bispham'

Mass Intentions can still be left at the presbytery and these intentions can continue to be said. Everyone is dispensed from the Obligation of Sunday and Holyday mass for the time being. Please consider praying the mass at home with me at these times.

Food Sunday will continue, and likely to be more necessary than ever. Food can be brought to the Church Porch (which will be checked regularly) or the presbytery at any time.

Hospital On-Call Chaplains: Although hospital visiting is now severely restricted we are still operating a 24/7 on-call R.C. Chaplain's rota in Victoria Hospital. The active priests are on the rota. If you need a priest in an emergency please ring the ward and ask them to call the on-call duty R.C. chaplain.

Weekly Offerings. Given the financial ramifications of these times the diocese is asking our parishioners to consider and arrange keeping-up their weekly offertory donation, either by setting up a standing-order, or by putting your weekly donation into a marked envelope and posting it through the presbytery letter box or by bringing the total amount to church after the situation is resolved. You could also alternatively send us what you would normally put in the collection via bank transfer. Email us to take up this option.

Newsletters will continue to be printed every week, and emailed to everyone on the list, and copies left in the Church porch. Please take copies of the newsletter or print them out to give to people you know without email, as well as other prayer sheets and cards etc. that I will leave at the back of Church and send by email. The Church Porch will generally be open from 10am to 1pm. observe social distancing, and only have one person in the porch at each time.

Book Exchange available in the Church Porch. Please help your self.

Continued thanks to everyone involved with the wonderful services we have managed to celebrate over Lent and Easter: the Sacristans, MCs and altar servers, the readers and ministers and organizers; the singers and organist; the flower arranger; the stewards and wiper-downers; the cameraman; and everyone who has celebrated here in Church or at home. Let's look forward to the new normal, and certainly having to add an extra mass gives us hope for returning back together whenever it becomes possible. A very Happy Eastertide to all! from Fr. Peter.

