

# St Michael's Parish

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*Holy Michael, Archangel, defend us in the hour of battle,  
be our safeguard against the wickedness and snares of the devil*

## EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR

1/2 AUGUST 2020

### Mass Times and Intentions for the week

<b>Saturday</b>	6.00pm	For sick parishioners (DH)	<b>St Alphonsus Ligouri Vigil Mass of Eighteenth Sunday</b>
<b>Sunday</b>	8.30am 10.30am	People of Parish Nicola Procter RIP (TD)	<b>Eighteenth Sunday</b> ~ Confessions after 10.30
Monday	9.30am	People of Parish	
Tuesday	9.30am	Holy Communion Service	<b>St John Mary Vianney</b>
Wednesday	9.30am	Ellen McKay 90 <sup>th</sup> (MF)	
Thursday	9.30am	Agnes Hehmann RIP	<b>The Transfiguration of the Lord</b>
Friday	9.30am	Joan Owen RIP (J&R.O)	
<b>Saturday</b>	6.00pm	People of Parish	<b>St Dominic</b>

**Please pray for parishioners and loved ones who are sick:** Peter Goldsworthy, Jane Dick, Anne Jewson, Daniel Smith, Baby Vienna, Fr. Tony Collins, Wyn Ahearne, Sylvia, The sick with the corona virus, Sebastian, Len Argent, Gladys Sanderson, Simon Moora, Graham Hunter-Brown, Michael Tavender, John Moore, Jo-Ann Hudson, Malcolm Ruff, David McDonald, Yvonne Kouame, David Ryan, Ann O'Toole, Sylvia Burton, Julie Verity, Monica Wood, Joan Worthington, Chris Gough, John McGrath, Val Romanchek, Bill Romanchek, Helen Kennedy, Mary Wilson, Joan Nixon, Craig Smart, Pat Fitzpatrick, Tim Mulvihill, Chris Clark, Samantha Sawyer, Janet Stephens, Terry Kilgallon.



**For those who have died recently:** Bridget Campbell, Ruth Cox, Brian Hearn, Fr John Healy, Jon Gorf, Brian Streetin, Those who have died from the corona virus, Bill Ayling, Fr Geoff Nixon, Isabel Louis, Annie Graysmark RIP, Margaret Cohen, Terry Bamford, Margery Martin, Brian Hodson, Margaret Gough, Steve O'Malley, Margaret Pegge, Amelia Bambridge, Trish Reynolds, Bernard Murphy, Annette Baptista, Mark Ellett, Violet Ibbotson, Francis Pedley, Michael Aherne (Snr), Cliff Owen, Veronica Johnstone, Carmen Newall, Pat Greaves, Mike Phillips, Lena Porter, David Porter, Patricia Mack, Derry Sanderson **and for those whose anniversaries occur at this time:** Molly Jackman, Bernadette Smith, Frank Lambe, Eileen Knight, Wendy Batchelor, David Henry, Charles & Kathleen Hopkins, Winifrid Sutcliffe.



This weekend we hear of Jesus' very human reaction to the news of his cousin's death, withdrawing to a lonely place to ponder and grieve. However, even before he can reach this lonely place, the crowds have got there first. Of course, he responds at once to their needs and heals the sick. As is so often the case, the ever-human disciples do not respond fully to the challenge that confronts them, and therefore Jesus instructs them: 'you give them something to eat', training

them to be more confident, to become the leaders they will have to be after he has gone. Next Jesus blesses, breaks and gives out the bread implying for us all the ritual celebration of the Jewish Passover meal and anticipating the Last Supper, the Eucharist and the New Covenant he gives us.

Jesus feeding the 'five thousand men, besides women and children' was probably 20,000 or more, a very sizeable portion of the Jewish population of Palestine at that time. Jesus, for all his own personal loss, is touched by the needs of the people. He reaches out to touch them, to heal and to feed them. These same actions anticipate the Eucharist. Today, through that very feast we too can join in spirit the tens of thousands of people we have heard about in today's Gospel and we too will be fed and healed by the Good Shepherd.

#### **BIDDING PRAYERS FOR THIS WEEK**

Follow the link [here](#) to our website to view this week's prayers.

#### **WELCOME TO ST MICHAEL'S FOR OUR MASSES**

Welcome again this weekend to St Michael's for the celebration of our Masses as we continue to ask you to wear a face covering or a face mask, and to use the hand sanitiser as you enter and leave the church. The stewards will be there to welcome and guide you and help you keep social distancing and follow the one way system with a seating capacity of 80.

#### **POPE FRANCIS THE WORLD'S GRANDPARENTS DESERVE**

##### **A HUG**

Pope Francis has called on young people to reach out to their grandparents or the elderly who may be lonely or on their own. "Do not leave them by themselves," he said after praying the Angelus with visitors in St Peter's Square on 26th July.

"Use the inventiveness of love, make phone calls, video calls, send messages, listen to them and, where possible, in compliance with health care regulations, go to visit them, too. Send them a hug," he said before leading visitors in giving a big round of applause for all grandparents. The pope made his remarks on the memorial of Sts Joachim and Anne - Mary's parents, Jesus' grandparents and the patron saints of grandparents.



#### **CAFOD CORONAVIRUS APPEAL**

The **Disasters Emergency Committee (DEC)**, of which CAFOD is an active member, launched a nationwide Coronavirus appeal. Thanks to generous support from the Catholic community, we at CAFOD are already working across 26 countries, to prevent the virus' spread, and limit food shortages it has caused in the poorest communities. But there is so much more to be done. The needs are immense, long term, complex, and evolving, and so our response needs to be large scale, and multifaceted. So this month, as the DEC raises awareness of the global situation, we are asking the Catholic community to keep those worst affected in their thoughts, prayers and where possible, their alms giving. You can donate to the Coronavirus Appeal online at: <https://cafod.org.uk/Give/Donate-to-emergencies/Coronavirus-appeal>

#### **DIOCESAN MINISTRY OF CONSOLATION**

Many in our Diocese, have unfortunately experienced loss through this time of the Pandemic. As a Diocese, there has been a long history of training Parishioners to support the Parishes with the Ministry of Consolation, supporting and accompanying those who have experienced loss or bereavement in their lives. There are many teams and individuals across our Diocese working with their Parish Priests to bring comfort and a listening ear. With the challenges of the current Pandemic, the opportunity of supporting those experiencing the pain of loss, has been severely restricted with shielding and self isolation. To ensure that no one is left isolated in their time of need, the Diocese has trained a group of Bereavement Supporters to be able to provide telephone support for the bereaved. Should this be something that would be of benefit to any of our parishioners here at St Michael's then please do let Fr Chris know who can arrange this befriending/accompanying support for you.

The listeners have all been trained by Cruise (the bereavement support Charity) and have been commissioned by Bishop Richard for this Ministry.

#### **LATEST NEWS FROM FR PETER IN KENYA**

Jan & John wrote to say that: 'Fr Peter telephoned and asked us to thank all the parishioners of St Michael's for their prayers and support during this difficult time. As from this Sunday his main church is open for Mass with a maximum capacity of 100. Everyone entering the church needs to use the washing facilities provided and have their temperature taken. Using money that has been donated from us his parish council has bought two electronic thermometers and a quantity of soap/sanitising equipment. Parishioners below 13 and above 68 are not expected to attend Mass and between each Mass the whole church must be cleansed. If more than 100 wish to come for Mass then the surplus will need to wait until the next Mass which will likely follow on as soon as the church is clean. If anyone arrives with a high temperature or looks otherwise unwell then there must be a place to which they can be taken for examination to see if they need to go to hospital - which all sounds grander than it is. We do not know for certain but if you imagine two huts with no facilities except that a nurse scurries between the two then you will probably be near the mark. When people arrive at Mass they normally bring with them gifts of food which they take up at the offertory. This food is used to feed people who arrive during the week looking for help because of hunger. The offertory collection supports the parish including the priests, so they now have a small income. The other good news is that the bean harvest has started so the threat of hunger has been abated. Fr Peter is so grateful for all the support you have given him both spiritually and materially.' *Jan and John Gribben*

#### **FACE MASKS – REUSABLE MASKS AVAILABLE**

Current guidance from Bishop's Conference is that we are strongly encouraged to wear face coverings in enclosed public spaces such as churches, especially when 2m distancing is not maintained. We ask for a suggested donation of £1 should you use one of our disposable masks. Alternatively, some of our Craft Group are making reusable masks. These are double layered with a place for a filter to be inserted, selection of patterns and colours available. Proceeds to St Michael's, minimum £2 donation per mask or £5 for those made from Liberty fabric. Contact Jo 692866