



HOLY CROSS PRIORY CHURCH

SUNDAY 28 JUNE 2020

ST PETER AND ST PAUL (A)

· A ROMAN CATHOLIC PARISH · THE DOMINICAN PRESENCE IN LEICESTER SINCE 1247 ·

A WORD FROM THE PARISH PRIEST ...

Peter and Paul both knew what it was like to be locked up. I don't think any of us ever expected to experience a lockdown like we've had these last few months. Welcoming some of you back to church these last few weeks as we've opened for private prayer has only emphasized how much we are all missing one another. Hopefully our two apostles in today's celebration will help us to think about freedom.

Throughout the lockdown, we've found many different ways to stay together – livestreaming, facebook, zoom, you name it. If you're like me, you'll want to get back to personal contact. From next Sunday, we will be getting back to Mass in public in a limited and controlled way. Let's see how it goes. We will be finding our way.

There's still much that is good about our community and our mission. This week, we have started work on the Frassati Centre, so the funds you've raised are going to good use. We've also managed to have a lot of fun together, and keep up the spirits!

Be intent on prayer, and whatever may happen will turn to our good.

Fr David

EMERGING FROM LOCKDOWN – A DEVELOPING SITUATION

RETURNING TO CELEBRATING MASS TOGETHER

HM Government have indicated that the public celebration of the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass may recommence from 4 July 2020, subject to ensuring that important precautions can be observed and followed.

We look forward to welcoming you all back to celebrating Mass with us from next weekend. There will be many things to think about as we emerge, but next Sunday we will celebrate Mass in public at the following times:

Saturday 6:10pm Vigil, 8am, 10:30am, 12:05pm (Dominican Rite, in Latin), 7pm.

There will be an upper limit of how many people can attend Mass safely. Please email leicester.admin@english.op.org to get your name(s) on the list. We welcome family groups/ households to attend as a block, and aside from this, we will be caused to limit numbers outside of those who do not apply to attend. We should be able to accommodate a good deal of people at these Masses

PASTORAL CARE OF THE SICK AND DYING

This has been an important part of our ministry during the lockdown. The Dominican Fathers continue to offer pastoral care of the dying, and chaplaincy support to the LRI and other hospitals, in collaboration with the arrangements made by the University Hospitals of Leicester (UHL) NHS Trust. Please contact the on-call Catholic Chaplain through the ward staff if you require assistance. We are very grateful to our hospital chaplaincy team, and in particular, Josephine in the LRI and Christina in the General and the Glenfield. Their work is simply amazing!

KEEP IN TOUCH

Our Facebook page is the principal vehicle for communication at present.

NOTICE BOARD

BAPTISM PREPARATION

Baptism are suspended preparation is now subject to considerations in relation to the coronavirus epidemic. Arrangements for baptisms of new-born children can be discussed with the Parish Priest.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION CONFIRMATION

Arrangements for catechesis and instruction of our children and young people is subject to considerations in relation to the coronavirus epidemic. Please await announcement.

MARRIAGE PREPARATION

Couples who are preparing for the Sacrament of Holy Matrimony should make an appointment with the Parish Priest, by email or telephone, in the first instance.

BECOMING CATHOLIC

Any adult who wishes to become a Catholic or receive Confirmation should join our RCIA programme, which will meet remotely very soon.

VISITING THE SICK

The Faithful who are sick and housebound cannot receive Holy Communion for the time being. The Parish Priest and his assistants are keen to remain in touch by telephone for the time being.

FAMILY VISITS

Families who would like to stay in touch with us by telephone or virtual contact can let us know. Please use our email address!

OTHER TIMES OUR CHURCH IS OPEN

We are open each day for private prayer, Tuesday – Sunday inclusive from 2pm-5pm. These times may be revised as we move towards public Masses and sacraments, so we can manage. Please bear with us. We are grateful to those providing stewarding and cleaning for us. We will have a plan for weekday worship by next Sunday.

USING LIVESTREAMING ON FACEBOOK

We are very pleased that many of you have continued to follow us on Facebook, both taking part in the services and keeping in contact. It is because we can connect to each other that we chose Facebook rather than YouTube or other platforms. As we move back to public worship, we are likely to reduce the livestreaming provision to one Mass each day, but we will keep you informed.

THE FRASSATI CENTRE – VERY GOOD NEWS FOR US

You'll remember this exciting project from the pre covid days – well we are delighted that we have had the green light to expend the significant funding you raised for us, and work has now started on transforming our pastoral space into the Frassati Centre for Preaching and Evangelisation. It is taking shape already

JOIN US FOR COFFEE AFTER 10:30AM MASS ON SUNDAYS

Each Sunday we have an opportunity to gather together on Zoom for a coffee or a catch-up. These are really good opportunities to see one another and just check in. If you've been before, it's the same details; if you haven't, email leicester@english.op.org for the login.

THE SACRAMENT OF CONFESSION, RECONCILIATION, PENANCE

So many of us are looking forward to a haircut, but also to celebrating the great sacrament with three names! We will offer this in a covid secure fashion between 2pm-5pm in the narthex each Saturday from 4 July. Please be patient as we do this as safely as possible.

SCRIPTURE STUDY THIS WEEK – ON CROWDCAST

Fr Matthew continues his series on "Acts of Apostles – The Birth of the Church" this Tuesday on Crowdcast. You will need to register to take part, please email Fr Matthew matthew.jarvis@english.op.org

CELEBRATION OF THE SACRAMENTS

Marriages are now possible, whereas we have to wait for guidance on baptism, except in extreme emergencies, funerals are subject to guidance and can be discussed with us by email leicester@english.op.org – this is by far the best way to contact us. We are gradually catching up with everyone by phone, but please be aware we are dealing with an extraordinary number of calls.

IF YOU OR A FAMILY MEMBER ARE IN HOSPITAL IN UHL NHS TRUST

Ask the ward staff to contact the on-call Catholic Chaplain if you need a visit.

THE DOMINICAN COMMUNITY

Fr John Patrick Kenrick OP; Fr Tony Rattigan OP; Fr David Rocks OP PP;
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MASS TIMES

Sundays:

8am; 10:30am (sung);
12:05pm (old rite);
7pm

Weekdays:

8am (old rite);
12:30pm; 6:10pm

Saturdays:

8am; 10am; 12.30pm;
6:10pm Vigil Mass for
Sunday

CONFESSION

Suspended for now

MONEY MATTERS

***Holy Cross:
please give
some
consideration
to how you
might still be
able to help us
financially, as
we rely on your
support to keep
going!***

***THANK YOU FOR YOUR
CONTINUED SUPPORT!***

