St John the Evangelist

17th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Fr James Callaghan OSB

25 July 2021 (Year B)

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Please let Kathryn have your email for the bulletin, and search for our private Facebook group

Mass Times this Week:

Saturday 24 Feria

10:45am Confessions

5:45pm Mass: Annie O'Donnell

Sunday 25 17th Sunday in Ordinary Time

10:00am Mass: Parish

World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly

Monday 26 Ss Joachim & Anne, parents of Our Lady, Mem

Tuesday 27 Feria

Wednesday 28 Feria

09:30am Mass: Thanksgiving

Thursday 29 Ss Martha, Mary and Lazarus, Mem

Friday 30 St Peter Chrysologus, bishop & doctor, Mem

09:30am Mass: Clare & John Edward Doyle

Saturday 31 St Ignatius of Loyola, priest & religious, Mem

10:45am Confessions

5:45pm Mass: *Thanksgiving*

Sunday 1 18th Sunday in Ordinary Time

10:00am Mass: Graham Harrand

Thought for the Week

There is a God-shaped vacuum in the heart of every man, which cannot be filled by any created thing, but only by God, the Creator, made known through Jesus. (Blaise Pascal)

Prayer to St Michael

Holy Michael, Archangel, defend us in the day of battle. Be our safeguard against the wickedness and snares of the devil. May God rebuke him, we humbly pray, and do Thou, Prince of the Heavenly Host, by the power of God, thrust down into hell Satan and all the wicked spirits who wander through the world for the ruin of souls.

Mass Intention Requests to Fr James

If you would like a Mass said, please write the intention on an old envelope with the offering inside. With advanced notice we can try for a specific date, otherwise we will use the next available slot.

Bulletin availability: hard copy from the Ushers' table

Now the church is open during daylight hours, please help yourself to bulletins from the back.

APF Red Boxes

Thank you for those received so far, which are now available for collection in the porch. If you have an overflowing box, please do bring it in - it can be left in the porch for collection.

Reminder of our current practices

The following is based closely on the guidance from the bishops but we have also been thinking carefully about the best way to proceed. I think it far better to play it safe and go cautiously for the next few weeks or so, not least since cases of the Indian variant are rising sharply across the country.

As a result I suggest we all follow these guidelines, based on the instructions issued by the bishops:

- From Monday 19th July THERE IS NO LONGER ANY NEED TO BOOK A PLACE AT MASS. Please bear in mind that this will probably result in a fuller church, especially at weekends!
- From Monday 19th July THERE WILL BE NO CHURCH-CLEANING REQUIRED AFTER EVERY MASS. Instead, the church will be cleaned once a week, as before.
- Please continue to sanitise your hands when entering.
- Please try to find a place in church which is not directly behind anyone else (this will probably not be possible at weekends); that said, all places in the church are now available for use.
- May I ask you all to continue wearing masks/face-coverings unless you are exempt. Masks are designed to protect principally those in our vicinity rather than ourselves and many parishioners will feel far more re-assured if those near them are wearing them.
- The Offertory procession, the Sign of Peace, Communion from the chalice and the use of holy water remain suspended. As far as I know, the Sunday/Holyday obligations remain suspended also.
- Singing will be resumed once local infections have greatly reduced.
- Please continue the practice of being ushered up for Holy Communion by the steward: there is simply no possible "one-way" system within the church as people return to their places.
- From Monday, THE ONE-WAY SYSTEM (THROUGH THE HALL) AT THE END OF MASS IS <u>NOT</u> REQUIRED. On your way out of church please be very sensitive to the concerns of others and avoid forming a crowd as you approach the doors and porch.
- Each row in church continues to be lettered. PLEASE TRY TO REMEMBER THE ROW YOU WERE IN, in case someone later proves covid-positive; we could then send an email out to say that a case has been reported from row E, for example, which may give you some help in being aware of possible risk.
- Sadly, I feel it is wiser to delay the re-introduction of coffee after Sunday Mass!

So for the time being it is, largely "more of the same"; the bishops' emphasis now is to respond to conditions as they are in the locality, so you may be sure that it is my intention to remove ALL restrictions as soon as possible once it is clearly safer to do so in this area. In the meantime we must pray hard for each other and, indeed, for the whole world as this pandemic continues.

Fr James.

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Eggs: slight delay in production

Many thanks to Trish and Jane. Temporary lack of eggs due to cunning Mr Fox, but hopefully a new supply in a couple of months. You are still welcome to donate to the Poor Box. Many of you are doing so, because we were able to send a cheque for £100 to the Little Sisters of the Poor in Leeds.

Parish Contacts

- St. Vincent de Paul (SVP): Pauline Willcox 823675
- Catholic Women's League (CWL): Susan Harrand 823219

Offertory Collections and Charities: Thank you for your offerings

Thank you for last week's offertory collections: £211.00

Rotas

Thank you to those who help out by stewarding and reading at all Masses. Please could we have a few more names for the flower rota? Many thanks!

It has been suggested some people would prefer an organised rota for the weekday Masses as well. If you would like to go onto such a rota, please let Kathryn know.

	Steward(s)	Reader	Flowers
Sat 24 July	Frams	Michael Fram	
Sun 25 July	Lizzie Stewart	Jill Simpson	Dorothea McMahon
Sat 31 July	David Embleton	Anne Waggott	
Sun 01 Aug	Teresa	Tony Lawton	Trish and Jane

Upcoming Events

August

Thur 5: 11:00 Funeral of Derrick Johnson.

Sat 7 Baptism of Arthur Cadell

PLEASE PRAY FOR:

the Infirm and Housebound: Sally Agar, Rita Ashbridge, Mary Capaldi, David Craig, Paul Gallagher, Gerry Kelly, and Darren Kennedy;

the Sick: Jenny Cook, Murray Grant, Marta Hatfield, Sarah Hodkinson, Derrick Johnson, Mary Melling, Lt. Comm. Matthew Kiernan, Krystyna Najgrodzka, Vincent O'Donnell, Teresa Catherine Powers, Anne Waggott and Tilly (Middlesbrough);

those who have died recently; and those whose Anniversaries occur about this time: John O'Hara, Clare Cafferkey, James Callaghan, Nino Capaldi, Kathleen Drinkhill, Emily May McGuinness, Patrick John McNally, Ellen Mulderrig, Richard Pettigrew and Greta Wardell.