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Fr Dominic Kavanagh Fr Paul Devaney Deacon Kevin O'Connor

FOURTH SUNDAY IN LENT 22nd March 2020

Dear Parishioners,

' Christ our Shepherd and King. Christ is descended from the line of David, a shepherd who was anointed King by Samuel. Christ is our King who guides us with the tender service of a shepherd. With Him by our side we shall want for nothing even though we walk in the valley of darkness. (Pope Saint John Sunday Missal).

Father Dominic writes: Dear Parishioners,

Archbishop Bernard has written to us in respect of the further steps we must now take to help protect the most vulnerable members of our Parish community and of our neighbours.

'The celebration of the Mass will not be in public in any settings, as from Friday 20th

March. Father Paul and I will be allowed to celebrate Mass privately and we will honour those Mass intentions already requested, as well as offering Mass for your own particular intentions. The Church will be open from 10am to 7pm each day and you will be welcome to visit for private prayer. For further details please see my separate letter, and also the communications from the Archbishop on the Parish website. Paper copies are available in both porches.

Confession is available by appointment. The Archbishop has emphasised that the measures outlined are a necessary and proportional temporary response to protecting the most vulnerable in our society.

If you are elderly or in any way vulnerable, please let us know what help we might provide for you at this difficult time.

Sunday 29th March Walsingham-Rededication of England as the Dowry of Mary. (See link www.walsingham.org.uk/dowry-rededication for details)

The Diocesan website lists the various churches in the diocese that have live-streaming of the Mass and you may wish to follow this. There is also the shrine at Walsingham which streams Mass live each day along with other devotions. The Catholic channel E.W.T.N. (Eternal Word Television Network) has daily Mass and devotions. (Sky Channel No.588)

<p>21st March Saturday</p>	<p>1 Samuel 16:1,6-7,10-13 Ephesians 5:8-14 John 9:1-41</p> <p>Sister Sabina-RIP George Core-RIP</p>	
<p>22nd March FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT</p>	<p>1 Samuel 16:1,6-7,10-13 Ephesians 5:8-14 John 9:1-41</p> <p>Mary Robb-RIP Pat Murray-RIP</p>	
<p>23rd March Monday Lent Feria <i>St Turibius</i></p>	<p>Isaiah 65:17-21 John 4:43-54</p> <p>Kieran Dolan-RIP</p>	
<p>24th March Tuesday Lent Feria</p>	<p>Ezekiel 47:1-9 John 5:1-3,5-16</p> <p>David Cullinan-RIP</p> <p>Anne & Christopher Weston-Intentions</p>	
<p>25th March Wednesday SOLEMNITY OF THE ANNUNCIATION OF THE LORD</p>	<p>Isaiah 7:10-14,8:10 Hebrews 10:4-10 Luke 5:26-38 CWL</p> <p>Mrs O'Driscoll-Intention</p>	
<p>26th March Thursday Lent Feria</p>	<p>Exodus 32:7-14 John 5:31-47</p> <p>Bridget Bishop-RIP</p> <p>Bridie & Christy O'Donovan-Intention</p>	
<p>27th March Friday Lent Feria</p>	<p>Wisdom 2:1 12-22 John 7:1-2,10,25-30</p> <p>Elizabeth Magahran-RIP</p> <p>Tom Healy & Deceased members of Paulger & Healy Families</p>	
<p>28th March Saturday Lent Feria</p>	<p>Ezekiel 37:12-14 Romans 8:8-11 John 11:1-45</p> <p>Stephen Hickey-RIP Kathleen Finneran-RIP</p>	
<p>29th March Fifth Sunday of Lent</p>	<p>Ezekiel 37:12-14 Romans 8:8-11 John 11:1-45</p> <p>Bernard Creeden-RIP & Family</p> <p>Pat Jones-Intentions</p>	

Offertory Collection last week: £702:98 (Gift Aid £284:30 Loose £987:28)

MARRIAGE MATTERS (www.twainoneflesh.org.uk) Fourth Sunday of Lent (1 Sam 16:1, 6-7, 10-13 Eph 5:8-14

John 9:1, 6-9,13-17, 34-38) Stop and see, be aware God was aware of David's adultery with Bethsheba, Uriah's wife, and how he arranged Uriah's murder to cover his sin. Amid political and business 'cover ups' in today's world, it's important to 'stop and see' – the beauty of nature, the beauty and goodness of your spouse. Don't be too busy to recall the joys you have brought to each other

St Peter's Catholic School alumni – Do you know any ex St Peter's students who deserve recognition? This may be because of sporting achievements, charity work or professional success. The staff are putting together a vocations wall. Please contact Ciaran Clinton, Deputy Head if you would like to nominate someone by emailing him at: clintonc@st-peters.solihull.sch.uk

The Birmingham Diocesan Trust is looking to appoint a Finance Support Manager to its Finance Team based at Cathedral House, St. Chad's, Queensway. Please see details on notice board in the porch.

HMP Hewell Chaplain. HMP Hewell seeks a RC Chaplain, which may be a lay person. Please use the following link for the advertised post: <https://justicejobs.tal.net/vx/lang-en-GB/mobile-0/appcentre-1/brand-15/candidate/so/pm/1/pl/3/opp/32278-32278-Roman-Catholic-Ordained-Deacon-Religious-Brother-or-Sister-Lay-Person/en-GB>

Readers this week

SUNDAY

9.00am

11.00am

Eucharistic Ministers this week

SUNDAY

9.00am

11.00am

Cleaning Rota: for week beginning March 23rd for Services 28th/29th March-A

Anne R. Mary Cl. Annie F. Teresa D.

Flowers Rota: – No Flowers in LENT

Please remember in your prayers the sick of the Parish:

Keith Frettsome	Martin Yates	Virginia Gregory,	Angela, Eilish, Tony Duffy	Ann O'Sullivan
Joan Kennedy	Roberto Cordora	Kevin Fahy	Sandy Simia	Adam Cole
Trevor Windle	Colette Hicky	Danny Meadows	Kathleen Beale	Martha Sheridan

PRAYER FOR A PANDEMIC
By Cameron Bellm

May we who are merely inconvenienced
Remember those whose lives are at stake.

May we who have no risk factors
Remember those most vulnerable.

May we who have the luxury of working from home
Remember those who must choose between preserving their
Health or making their rent.

May we who have the flexibility to care for our children when
Their school close

Remember those who have no options.

May we who have to cancel our trips

Remember those that have no safe place to go.

May we who are losing our margin money in the tumult of the
Economic market

Remember those who have no margin at all.

May we who settle in for a quarantine at home

Remember those who have no home.

As fear grips our country,

Let us choose love.

During this time when we cannot physically wrap our arms

Around each other,

Let us yet find ways to be the loving embrace of God to our neighbours.

Amen.

Please pray for: Kath Brown, Frederick Farmer and Stephen Bakewell who died recently.
Also, Monica Higginson, Kathleen Finneran, Anne Nancy Flynn, Lily Sage, Josef Guixe,
Bernadette (Brandy) Julia Lawrence, Mary Gwendoline Robinson, Annie Bridget McTernan ,
Alice Behan, Geoffrey Dormer, Edmund (Ted) Wilcock and all with anniversaries at this time.

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