




PARISHES OF HOLY NAME AND OUR LADY & SAINT PHILOMENA

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Solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Sunday 16th August 2020

Father Thomas's Desk

This weekend we celebrate the Solemnity of the Assumption of Our Lady into Heaven. The belief that Mary was assumed body and soul into heaven at the end of her earthly life has been held from at least the sixth century, but it wasn't until November 1950 that Pope Pius XII defined the Dogma of the Assumption once and for all. This is what he wrote:

“For which reason, after we have poured forth prayers of supplication again and again to God, and have invoked the light of the Spirit of Truth, for the glory of Almighty God who has lavished his special affection upon the Virgin Mary, for the honour of her Son, the immortal King of the Ages and the Victor over sin and death, for the increase of the glory of that same august Mother, and for the joy and exultation of the entire Church; by the authority of our Lord Jesus Christ, of the Blessed Apostles Peter and Paul, and by our own authority, **we pronounce, declare, and define it to be a divinely revealed dogma: that the Immaculate Mother of God, the ever Virgin Mary, having completed the course of her earthly life, was assumed body and soul into heavenly glory**”.

Pope Pius XII
Munificentissimus Deus, 44

In her life on earth and now in heaven, Our Lady provides the supreme example of Christian discipleship. Let her words at the Wedding Feast of Cana inspire us and renew us in our service of the Lord as we try in our daily lives to “Do whatever he tells you”. (*Jn* 2, 5)

May God bless you and your families
Father Thomas

Dennis Menezes RIP

Of your charity, please pray for the repose of the soul of Dennis Menezes, the father of our organist Anthony, who died peacefully in Birmingham on 1st August, aged 90. May he rest in the sleep of peace and rise in glory.



Congratulations and welcome

Congratulations to Gracie Hart, Amber Elaine Cummins and Patrick Michael Middleton who have all recently celebrated the sacrament of baptism. We are delighted to welcome them into our faith community.

Masses live streamed this week

For the benefit of those who are still shielding, the following Masses will be live streamed this week:

Sunday 16th August at 9.30am at Our Lady & St Philomena

Tuesday 18th August at 10.00am at Our Lady & St Philomena

Sunday 23rd August at 11.00am at Holy Name

Live streaming – Filming notice

When livestreaming of a Mass takes place, please note:

The recording will be shown live online and a copy of the recording may be available on our website or Facebook page

Seats where you may be filmed will be signed accordingly. These are generally on the right hand side of the altar (as you look towards the altar)

Please note, Holy Communion is not filmed

Should you wish not to be filmed, please speak to one of the volunteers, who will advise you where to sit to avoid the camera

Vulnerable people and children under the age of 16 should only be filmed with their prior, or their parents/guardians signed consent. If this applies to you, please do not sit in areas that are filmed without providing signed consent

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Baptism Certificates

If you require a baptism certificate for a school application please contact the parish office holyname@rcaol.org.uk or 0151 476 0289; providing details of your child's name, place and date of baptism, your telephone number and postal address so that the certificate can be sent to you.

Priest's holidays

Fr. Kevin is on the second week of his two week break, so please note the reduction in Masses.

Fr Kevin's leaving donations for CAFOD - Envelopes

On Sunday 30th August, Father Kevin will be leaving Our Lady & St Philomena and Holy Name.

A number of parishioners have asked for envelopes to be made available for donations to CAFOD, and these will be available with the newsletter this weekend.



Thank you for your generous donations, additional envelopes have been printed.

The link to 'JustGiving' page: <https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/ourladystphilomenaholyname> also remains available.

Parish website – Additions this week

The parish website is updated regularly throughout the week, additions this week include:

- New prayer resources from the Archdiocese of Liverpool:
 - Reflection for the Feast of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary, also available as an audio download
 - Readings for the Feast of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary
 - What sort of church do we want? A sharing church
 - School of prayer; this series will enable people to explore different ways of praying. Session 1, an exploration of prayer
 - August activity/reminisce ideas from Alzheimers' Society, Wigan
- All can be accessed/downloaded at <https://www.liverpoolcatholicresources.com/>
- The Feast of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary (16th August) E-Missalettes



We remember in our prayers those who have died recently: Dennis Menezes, Joseph Furmedge, Frances McPartland, Charles O'Connell, Mary Price, Anna Fessey, Irene Hartless, Marcella Owens, Dave Rankin, Joan Common, Gilbert Corke, Anne Murphy, Ann Fitzgibbon, (Baby) Albie Cooper, Joseph Stone, Anne Eagan, Ellen (Nellie) Cox, Margaret Dunn, Bishop Vincent Malone, Peter Jones, Nora Ellison, Elizabeth Doran, John Phelan, **May they rest in peace**

Mass Times, Services & Intentions
Saturday 15th August – Sunday 23rd August 2020

		<u>Holy Name</u>
Saturday 15th	5.30pm	Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession)
	6.00pm	Vigil Mass (Philomena (Philis) Smith, RIP)

Our Lady on Saturday

Sunday 16th	11.00am	Mass (Michael Wyche, anniversary)
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SOLEMNITY OF THE ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

Monday 17th	10.00am	Mass (Pauline Appleton, sick)
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Tuesday 18th	NO MASS	
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St Helen

Wednesday 19th	NO MASS	
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Optional Memorial of St John Eudes, Priest

Thursday 20th	NO MASS	
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Memorial of St Bernard, Abbot and Doctor

Friday 21st	NO MASS	
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11.15am Funeral Service – Frances McPartland

Memorial of St Pius X, Pope

Saturday 22nd	5.30pm	Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession)
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6.00pm Vigil Mass (Veronica Bullen, RIP)

Memorial of the Queenship of Mary

Sunday 23rd	11.00am	Mass (Parishioners)
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TWENTY FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Our Lady & St Philomena

Sunday 16th	9.30am	Mass (Parishioners)
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Monday 17th	NO MASS	
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Tuesday 18th	10.00am	Mass (John Verdonie, sick)
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Wednesday 19th	NO MASS	
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Thursday 20th	10.00am	Mass (Anne Murphy, RIP)
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Friday 21st	NO MASS	
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Sunday 23rd	9.30am	Mass (Collette Lundon)
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When coming to Church for a Mass or funeral, a face covering must be worn.

The number of mourners at a funeral remains limited to a maximum of 30, and to maintain social distancing, only invited family and friends should attend the funeral.

For the time being, we will continue live streaming Mass regularly throughout the week for the benefit of those who are still shielding. Please see the parish Facebook page for the Mass times.