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Year A : 28th Sunday in Ordinary Time 11th October 2020

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Both churches are monitored by CCTV cameras 24 hours a day. Live streaming of all services takes place at St Teresa's and can be viewed at www.churchservices.tv/borehamwood or through the link on our website

FIRE SAFETY NOTICE: If anyone has difficulty in hearing, walking or anything else that may slow down safe exit in the event of a fire, please let us know before the service starts, so that we can arrange for assistance for you.

All masses and services are shown live via our website on the "Live Streaming" page. They are also recorded and kept for a month so if you miss a live service, you can still watch it later.

All masses at St Teresa's for the time being

Saturday 10th October	Vigil: 28th Sunday	6pm	Helen Griffin RIP
Sunday 11th October	28th Sunday of Ordinary Time	8.30am	Mary Fox (Nee Donovan) RIP
		10am	Bridget Dowd (Int)
		Noon	Fr Dominic (Int)
Monday 12th October	Feria	9.15am	Karen Doran RIP (Ann)
Tuesday 13th October	St Edward The Confessor	9.15am	Mr P.O. Ouseph RIP
Wednes. 14th October	No Mass		
Thursday 15th October	St Teresa of Jesus	9.15am	Gerry & Mary Corry RIP (Bday)
Friday 16th October	Feria	9.15am	Lilly Pinto RIP
Saturday 17th October	Vigil: 29th Sunday	6pm	Mary Fox (Nee Donovan) RIP

Confessions are held at St Teresa's Saturdays, 5pm-5.40pm in the Lady Chapel.

Liturgy of the Word: 11th October 2020

Entrance Antiphon: *If you, O Lord, should mark iniquities, Lord, who could stand? But with you is found forgiveness, O God of Israel.*

Responsorial Psalm: *In the Lord's own house shall I dwell for ever & ever.*

Gospel Acclamation: *Alleluia, alleluia! The Word was made flesh and lived among us; to all who did accept him he gave power to become children of God. Alleluia!*

Next week's readings: *Isaiah 45:1,4-6, Psalm 95:1,3-5,7-10 resp v7, 1 Thessalonians 1;1-5, Matthew 22:15-21*

Fr Dominic writes: ***It's all change for the new normal, new personnel, new ways for catechesis!!!***

Dear Friends, many thanks for all your prayers and good wishes for my recovery. I have found it very frustrating not to be able to just get going at my usual speed, but, please God, it won't be too much longer. Fr. Antonio is taking a two week break before he gets ready to move to Bishops Stortford. Mgr. Harry Turner will be supplying during that time and I am sure that you will give him a great welcome.

For those of you who have registered your children for the First Holy Communion and Confirmation Programmes, we are awaiting further instructions from the Diocese and the Bishops' Conference on how we can proceed with COVID 19 safety in the forefront.

The new assistant priest is Fr. John Warnaby and, as I am now Parish Priest for Borehamwood and St. Joseph's Carpenters Park, we will share the responsibilities. Fr. John will reside in Carpenters Park for the majority of the time and I will spend a week a month there and he will do likewise here.

For the time being we will continue to have all the masses in Borehamwood celebrated in St. Teresa's as the live streaming is there. As soon as restrictions ease we will begin using SS John Fisher and Thomas More again. For Baptisms there can only be six people attending and the child is counted as one person. We are looking at using the Noon mass for Baptisms as they have been much less attended and if the Baptism takes place at this Sunday Mass you may be able to book more guests. For Funerals the maximum is thirty people and for Weddings you are only allowed fifteen guests.



Protecting your privacy: Any personal details that you provide to this parish, (name, address, email, telephone number etc.) will be held on file & stored on the parish computer securely. If applicable, your details will also be entered into the appropriate Sacramental Register. For Volunteers groups, Readers, Eucharistic Ministers etc., your details will be shared with other group members in this parish to enable you to arrange cover etc. If you do not wish your details to be shared, please let the Parish Office know **You can read our full privacy policy on rcdow.org.uk/diocese/privacy-policy**

Catechetical Programmes update:

2021 FHC & Confirmations: The deadlines have now been reached for these & you should have received an email confirming registration. We do not expect these programmes to start until later in the year but given the amount of planning & logistics involved we are no longer able to accept applications for these programmes.



If you are unable to get to Mass and wish to donate, you can do this via the website, or we can supply a mandate for you to set up a standing order. **This year's envelopes are in the sacristy at St Teresa's** if you would like to pick them up, just call the Parish Office & we can arrange this.

We're now Contactless at St Teresa's! We have been picked to be a part of the Diocesan contactless payment trial. We have a machine installed at St Teresa's that you can use to donate in this way. You can also gift aid on the machine and provided that you use the same card each time it will store your gift aid information. In the current climate, Contactless is recommended above cash as being safer. It should also reduce the amount of cash that we need to count & pay into the bank so should ultimately streamline our whole procedure and save admin costs.

We have also signed up with **Virgin Money Giving**, which can be accessed via their site or by clicking on the button on our website.



The Financials...

Monthly Standing Orders: £3,106 (£2,973 monthly last year)

Last weekend Offertory -

Envelopes £531

Loose Plate £138.69

Contactless donations £ 195

Virgin Money Donations via website £ 156.40

Total weekly income for last week £1021.09

This time last year our offertory was £ 654 envelopes & £728.74 plate, £1,382.74 in total



Forthcoming Funerals: these are held in accordance with the government's COVID 19 guidelines and are not open to the general public

12th October noon West Herts **Patricia Tyson**

16th October 3.20pm West Herts **Christopher Breen**

May they rest in peace & rise in glory.



SVP NEWS : The SVP is an international Christian voluntary organisation that carries out voluntary work in your local area. If you are interested, contact us at SVPBorehamwood@gmail.com, or on 07479847130.



This Our baptisms are individual baptisms taking place on a Saturday afternoon at noon, 1pm, 2pm, 3pm or 4pm timeslots. **You can now have only 6 attendees which includes the parents & child being baptised.** You will need to meet with either Fr Dominic beforehand & you must fill in an online baptism registration form, We will not be having a Rite of Welcomes whilst we are restricted with numbers inside



Face masks must now be worn at all times in places of worship. Care should be taken by people in removing their face covering for the reception of Holy Communion and replacing the covering afterwards. This is to prevent contamination of the covering by the hands. However, the risk is regarded as minimal providing there is no hand-to-hand contact between the minister of Communion and the communicant. If you are exempt from wearing a facemask then of course this doesn't apply to you. **Please don't judge anyone who doesn't wear a facemask as their legitimate reason may not be obvious.**



Do you know of someone who we are not reaching? Maybe an elderly person who doesn't have the internet, or email? Someone who is shielding & cannot get to Mass? Someone who we can simply call to keep in touch? Or even someone who is simply struggling with the current situation? Please do get in touch with us if you feel that there is someone out there who needs a bit of help, We are also happy to post newsletters out to those who cannot get them online.



St Teresa's school are looking to employ a Catch-Up Premium Support Teacher. Required on a fixed term contract commencing on 2nd November 2020. Full time or Part time hours considered. Salary range £27,200 - £33,042 FTE Salary, hours and length of contract depend on experience. Please see our website for the relevant forms to apply for this position. www.stteresas.herts.sch.uk. Closing date Friday 16th October at 10.00am

TIME TO SAY GOODBYE

Fr Antonio is now away on holiday for two weeks, returning 24th October, his last mass will be **Friday 30th October** as he moves to Bishop Stortford on the 31st. If you would like to make a donation towards his farewell present, either drop the money into the Parish Office or donate via the website in the usual methods. **Please do not gift aid any online donations for Fr Antonio.** We will arrange a suitable date with Fr Antonio in November when we can have a formal goodbye mass & give him his present.



November is Holy Souls Month, the time when you provide us with a list of deceased family & friends which is placed near the altar during the celebration of Holy Mass during November with Masses being offered for all deceased relatives and friends on the list. We have placed the list online for you to complete & submit if you can drop your list into the Parish Office. A donation is usually offered for this, again this can be done online or via the parish office. If donating online - we are not allowed to claim gift aid on mass offerings so please don't hit the gift aid button in this case!



Given the current climate we have decided not to partake in the (Samaritan's Purse) shoebox collection this year. Instead we want to concentrate our efforts on **presents for prisoners children.** This may prove not as easy logistically as usual, but we'll try. As a start, if you are happy to commit to purchasing a present this year, please can you let Sue know. More details to follow. If you would still like to donate to the shoebox appeal, please look online at shoebox-online.org.uk where you can also pack a virtual box online.