

Weekly Message from Fr William for Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> August 2020

Dear People of St Mary's and online visitors to our parish

There was a suggestion last time the Sunday 10am was with physical attendance that we might bring it forward to 9.45am so that the Liturgy of the Word didn't coincide with the ringing of St John's bells beginning around 10.05am. I thought this was a good suggestion and that we should try it. So if you're coming to Sunday 10am Mass today please note the earlier start time of 9.45am. If we have to resort to indoors, communion will be distributed after mass on your way out.

Before you come to mass please click on the link '[celebrating mass by physical attendance August 2020](#)' and have a read of this before you come. Most recent updates for 30<sup>th</sup> August are in red.

Anyone who does not yet have online access to the internet and would like to physically attend mass, please would you phone me for now, and I'll fill in the Online Reservation form for you over the phone for you. It's important that the Online Reservation system has your contact details for Contact-Track-Isolation.

Most recent guidance from the diocese states that any toilet facilities in the church should be made available. We will action this as soon as we have systems in place to make this covid safe. It will require a specific sanitising regime. To date we have five parishioners who have volunteered to undertake covid cleaning. If you think you can volunteer for cleaning or stewarding please get in touch.

Otherwise things are continuing as normal. Livestream continues to be the predominant way the parish is celebrating Mass together. The SVP and others continue to support those who are isolating and in need of support. The school is gearing up for a full re-opening in September. Let's pray and work together for a successful and sustained opening of all our schools.

The church will be open for individual visits on Saturday 29<sup>th</sup> August from 10am to 12noon and on Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> September from 10am to 12noon. Please remember to bring face covering.

If you know of any parishioner who may not be getting this weekly message, keeping the parish up to speed with what's happening, maybe because they don't yet have internet, please consider printing this off and getting it to them, or even helping them get set up with internet.

You'll also find last Sunday's message on the website.  
Happy Sunday God bless you



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