



THE PRECIOUS BLOOD OF OUR LORD & ALL SOULS

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✠ **14TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME** ✠

PUBLIC MASSES RESUME SUNDAY 12 JULY

The government has given churches permission to resume public Masses. This is good news, of course, and a welcome next step towards a more normal parish life and practice of our faith. That said, it is important that no one feels under any pressure to return to Mass until they feel ready to do so. Some people will perhaps need a little longer before feeling comfortable to come back to public worship; others are advised by the government to continue minimising their social contact. **We must each make an individual informed decision.** For those not physically present at Mass, it remains possible to make an Act of Spiritual Communion, and the daily Mass will continue to be live streamed.

The clergy of the deanery have decided that **all the churches of the deanery will resume public Masses from the same date, Sunday 12 July.** This gives us more time to prepare the churches with all the necessary measures to make public worship safe, in line with government and diocesan guidelines. It also gives us all time to get together a team of stewards and cleaners. Stewards are required at every Mass and the church must be cleaned after every Mass.

Inevitably Mass is going to look and feel a bit different for a while. It remains necessary for us all to exercise caution and to remain vigilant against COVID-19. Information about what Mass will look like is below, on our website and on the church notice boards. Please familiarise yourself with what to expect when you come to Mass, and don't hesitate to contact me if you need further information or assurance.

Let's continue to pray for each other and trust in God's guiding hand.

Yours in the Lord, Father Paul

A Message from Canon Tom Farrell, Dean of Coventry

You are encouraged to make use of webcam Masses if this is still the best option for you. Also to consider the Masses during the week, as there is no Sunday obligation, and these Masses are likely to be less crowded. Perhaps, only think of coming to Mass on Sunday if there is no other option.

The parishes will review Mass times and frequency of Masses over the next couple of weeks when we have a chance to judge the numbers required moving forward.

Thanks for your co-operation. We are pleased that we can begin to come to church, but our safety and the safety of others is still paramount and we hope that Priests, individuals and parish communities do not feel under pressure to open churches in a way that puts people at risk.

PLEASE NOTE

The Sunday obligation to attend Mass remains suspended by the Bishops. For the time being, therefore, there is **no obligation for people to come to Mass on Sunday.** This point can not be over-emphasised. The ideal scenario is for there to be a good spread of people coming to Mass across the seven days of the week. There will be a **daily Mass** at All Souls (times below).

GENERAL INFORMATION ON PUBLIC MASSES AT ALL SOULS

- There will be a **daily Mass** at All Souls from **Sunday 12 July**.
- **Mass times** will be as follows. Please note that these times are not the usual 'pre-COVID' times. There is ONE Mass on Sunday.

PUBLIC MASS TIMES FROM 12 JULY UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE

Sunday 10.30am **Monday** 9.30am **Tuesday** 9.30am **Wednesday** 9.30am

Thursday 7.30pm **Friday** 9.30am **Saturday** 9.30am

Church will open 15 minutes before Mass begins.

- With social distancing, the '**capacity**' at Masses at All Souls is **severely restricted**. There are green stickers on the pews indicating where people should sit in the main body of the church. However, **members of a household will be able to sit together in a pew**, so this does increase the number of people able to attend a Mass. The key principle is that people from *different households* must be socially distanced.
- We have very little idea of how many people will be returning to Mass at this time, and on which day. If it turns out that more people arrive for a Mass than can be safely accommodated, unfortunately there is no other option than for the stewards to ask them to come to Mass on another occasion. **I'm hopeful that we can avoid this scenario if we spread our Mass attendance across the week**.
- **Social distancing** will be 1m+ with **the obligatory use of face coverings** at Mass.
- **Face coverings** must be used in church. Please bring your own. This doesn't have to be a mask. It can be a homemade covering. Government advice is that those with severe breathing difficulties are not required to wear face coverings. For adults who can not wear face coverings the advice is that they stay well distanced from others. Government advice on children wearing face coverings has been inconsistent, but the diocese advises that children 5+ years wear face coverings at Mass.
- **Hand sanitising** People will be directed to sanitise their hands on entering and leaving church with alcohol-based wash.
- Please **follow the stewards' instructions**. They are not being bossy. They have been asked to give guidance and instructions to keep everyone as safe as possible. Thank you for your co-operation.
- **Toilets** will be accessible for emergencies only. To open them more widely is very labour-intensive, as they would have to be cleaned regularly and after every Mass. Thank you for your understanding.
- All Masses will be **live streamed**. Data protection information relating to the live streaming of a Mass with a congregation is on our website, displayed in church and below.
- **People with COVID symptoms** are asked not to attend the church please. If you live with people who have symptoms please do not to attend church.
- **Vulnerable people** Government advice is still that people deemed more vulnerable than others should limit their social contact. Please make an informed decision on whether you come to Mass or not.

WHAT CAN I EXPECT WHEN I COME TO MASS?

Inevitably things will be a bit different for a while.

Before Mass

Church will have been **cleaned** ready for each Mass.

Church will open **15 minutes before Mass begins**.

Please use the **main car park around the back of church** unless you really need to park closer to the entrance.

Please observe the **queueing system** indicated outside of church, observing social distancing. Please be mindful of traffic using the driveway.

Please **follow the stewards' instructions**.

Please use the **hand sanitiser** in the porch.

Please observe the **one-way system** through the church.

Holy water stoups will remain empty.

The **piety shop** will not be open (please contact Fr Paul if you need a Mass card).

It is possible to light **votive candles** by the Sacred Heart chapel and the Lady Chapel. Please use a single-use disposable taper provided and dispose of it in the sand bucket.

Please **do not touch the statues**.

During Mass

Each Mass will last **approximately 30 minutes**. An important factor in reducing risk of transmission of the virus is minimising the time we spend in contact with others.

There will be **no singing**.

There will be **no shared hymn books/missalettes**.

There will be **no altar servers** or **eucharistic ministers**.

The **Prayer of the Faithful** (Bidding Prayers) will be omitted.

There will be **no offertory procession**. Monetary offerings can be placed in any of the money slots in church.

There will be **no physical Sign of Peace**.

Holy Communion

The **altar breads** for distribution to the people will be placed in a clean ciborium with a lid. The lid will be removed only at Holy Communion.

After the words, "*Behold the Lamb of God...Lord I am not worthy,*" the priest will hold up the Host to the congregation and say, "***The Body of Christ***", to which people respond, "***Amen***". In the same way he will elevate the chalice and say, "***The Blood of Christ***", to which people respond, "***Amen***".

The priest will receive Holy Communion from his own host and from the chalice.

Once the priest has received Holy Communion, he will **sanitise his hands** before the distribution of Holy Communion to the congregation. He will also wear a **face mask** during the distribution of Holy Communion.

Stewards will direct people to Holy Communion. Please wait in your place until instructed to move forward to receive Holy Communion.

Please approach Holy Communion in **single file down the centre aisle**, observing social distancing.

During the distribution of Holy Communion the priest will stand on one side of the altar rail, the communicant on the other. Please approach with **arms at "full stretch"** so that there is a good distance between priest and communicant.

Because the people have acclaimed the Lord's Presence together earlier, **Holy Communion will be distributed in silence** with no dialogue between priest and communicant (see above).

Holy Communion will be **in one kind only** i.e. the Host. There will be no distribution of the Precious Blood from the chalice. We ask for the understanding of those who customarily receive under both kinds.

Holy Communion is to be received **in the hand only**. We ask for the understanding of those who customarily receive the Host on the tongue.

Any **blessings** will be given without physical contact.

Please **return to your place using the side aisles**, not the centre aisle.

After Mass

The **exit** is via the left hand porch (Our Lady's side of church), not via the main porch.

Please leave the building **safely**. The stewards will direct people at this point.

Please leave the exit clear for people to leave the building safely.

Please be mindful of traffic using the driveway as you leave church.

The church will be closed again after Mass and **cleaned**.

Church opening times for individual prayer

(up until and including Saturday 11 July)

Sundays 10.30am -12.30pm **Mondays** 2 - 4pm **Tuesdays** 6.30 - 7.30pm
Wednesdays 10.30am -12.30pm **Thursdays** 2 - 4pm **Fridays** 6.30 - 7.30pm
Saturdays 10.30am -12.30pm

Please note: Church will be opened and closed promptly at the advertised times.
Church has to be cleaned after each session

Celebrating, living and sharing God's word today



First reading

Zechariah 9:9-10

The prophet Zechariah gives a portrait of Judah's king. Not a conqueror out to glorify himself, this king stands for justice, peace, and allegiance to the highest sovereign, who is God.

Second reading

Romans 8:9,11-13

Saint Paul teaches that to be "in the flesh" is to try to earn God's grace by our own merits, while being "in the spirit" means letting God give us that undeserved grace.

Gospel

Matthew 11:25-30

Jesus contrasts his teachings and his expectations of his followers with the doctrine and demands of other religious authorities of his day.

✠ WORSHIP THIS WEEK ✠

PLEASE NOTE: CURRENTLY THIS CHURCH LIVE STREAMS MASSES. PLEASE SEE NOTICES IN CHURCH FOR MORE DETAIL

Sunday 5 th	14th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	9.30am MASS	<i>People of the parish</i>
Monday 6 th	Feria in Ordinary Time	9.30am Mass	<i>Stanislaw Jurczak RIP</i>
Tuesday 7 th	Feria in Ordinary Time	9.30am Mass	<i>John Parry RIP</i>
		11.30am Funeral Service (John Parry)	Family only
Wed 8 th	Feria in Ordinary Time	9.30am Mass	<i>Tom Healy RIP</i>
Thursday 9 th	Feria in Ordinary Time	9.30am Mass	<i>People of the parish</i>
Friday 10 th	Feria in Ordinary Time	9.30am Mass	<i>Brian Kelly RIP</i>
Saturday 11 th	ST. BENEDICT, Abbot, Patron of Europe	9.30am MASS	<i>Eamon Mullally RIP</i>
Sunday 12 th	15th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	9.30am MASS	<i>People of the parish</i>

Daily Evening Prayer via Zoom at 6pm (email Fr Paul for log-in details)

MAINTAINING GOOD COMMUNICATION We don't want parishioners to miss important information about this next phase of church and parish life - resuming public Masses. So please keep checking the parish website. You will find there the times of Masses, as well as general information on how Masses will be celebrated safely. Please share information which comes to you with those who don't use the internet and social media. Thank you

MASS TIMES AROUND THE DEANERY A list of Mass times of (public or without congregation but livestreamed) in all the churches of Coventry deanery is available on the deanery website and on our parish website.

FUNERALS THIS WEEK John Parry: Tuesday 7 July. Funeral Service in church at 11.30am (family only) followed by interment at Canley at 12.30pm.

PLEASE PRAY also for the repose of the soul of **Paddy Mulligan** and **Les Thacker** who have died recently.

CONFESSION Fr Paul is available to hear confessions. The preferred option is to do this outside in the Peace Garden and, of course, socially-distanced. There is some shelter from the rain for the penitent. Please phone 02476674161 or email allsoulsco@gmail.com to arrange by appointment.

FUNERAL SERVICES in church have now resumed, with the maximum number of people attending being 30. Funeral Masses will resume from 12 July, again with a maximum of 30 attendees. Church has to be cleaned after every funeral.

BAPTISMS We are still awaiting guidance on the safe celebration of Baptism. Thank you to all the parents whose children's baptisms have been postponed over the last few months. Your patience and understanding are very much appreciated. We will be in touch with you soon. The maximum number of people permitted to attend a Baptism will be 30.

WEDDINGS in church are now permitted by the government, although we are still awaiting guidance from the Bishops. The



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UNIVERSALIS Even if you don't have the Universalis App on your phone, you can scan Universalis's **QR codes** (like this one) with your phone and be taken to the prayers and readings of the day, in seconds. The one here is for the daily Mass readings. On the noticeboard outside church, inside church on one of the back pillars, and on the website, there is a series of QR codes. Choose whichever one you want to access, (the day's Mass readings, Morning Prayer, Midday Prayer, Vespers and so on), point your phone camera at it, and away you go!

PEACE GARDEN The Peace Garden is accessible for individual prayer at any time. Please observe social distancing.

WEEKLY GIVING TO THE PARISH Thank you to all our parishioners who have been able to maintain their regular giving either by standing order or by dropping off envelopes to the presbytery.

+ If you don't already give monthly by standing order, please consider that option. Email allsoulsco@gmail.com for the parish bank details.

+ It is also possible to set up a regular or a single donation to the parish via the diocesan website. Visit www.birminghamdiocese.org.uk, click on **Donate** (top right) and follow the instructions. When asked which church you're donating to, please select 'Coventry: Earlsdon').

+ It is also possible to leave offerings (weekly envelopes and cash) in any of the money slots in church, or to post it through the presbytery letter box.

WHAT DOES ALL SOULS MEAN TO YOU?

Tell us by email (allsoulsco@gmail.com) or post (the Presbytery). If you'd like to send a photo of yourself to include with your response on the website, please do. Thank you to parishioners who have already been in touch.

