

NOTICE FROM THE ARCHBISHOP RE: 19th JULY: Following the announcement that step 4 of the Government's Covid-19 response roadmap will come into effect on Monday 19th July, I am pleased to be able to forward to you the latest guidance from the Bishops' Conference. The guidance is accompanied by the statement *Sunday – it is our Day* which says, “*It is our continuing judgement, therefore, that it is not possible at the present time for all of the faithful to attend Mass on a Sunday thus fulfilling their duty to God. It is hoped that it will be possible for all Catholics in England and Wales to fulfil this most important Church precept, that of the Sunday Obligation, by the First Sunday in Advent 2021. In the meantime, all Catholics are asked to do their best to participate in the celebration of the weekly Sunday Mass and to reflect deeply on the centrality of Sunday worship in the life of the Church.*”

At this stage, it is important for us all to remember that although legislation is being relaxed, the pandemic is not yet over and there continues to be a duty of care for all who use our churches and other facilities. The guidance therefore seeks to ensure that, where opportunity permits, there is some degree of relaxation but there remains a cautious approach that encourages the continuation of social distancing, mask wearing and daily cleaning where these help to minimise risk and provide comfort and confidence to our people. What is important is that the emphasis is now on the corporate endeavour of all involved in our church life to maintain the exemplary good practice that has been exhibited over the past 15 months in our churches whilst moving into a freer expression of our church life, worship and mission.

Circumstances may vary from parish to parish and the guidance recognises this and sets out some different arrangements that parishes might consider to safeguard the health and wellbeing of worshippers, including providing both socially distanced and unrestricted parts of the church, separate Masses for separation and relaxation and cards for individuals to encourage people not to get too close.

Therefore, there will be no changes in how our Masses are currently being “run”

Holy Water Stoups - will remained unfilled, but holy water will be available for you to take home in a small container.

Votive Candles – People can now light their own candles but under the guidelines that only one person at a time will lit a candle, before Mass, people cannot congregate around them. After Mass it will be the system as before due to the congestion for people exiting Church at OLA.

Offertory and collection– There will be no changes to the current way this is carried out.

Veneration of Statues – although touching of the statues is allowed we ask that you keep this to a minimum and no kissing.



OUR LADY OF THE ASSUMPTION and ST JOHN VIANNEY

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Sunday 18th July 2021

SIXTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME – YEAR B

Preface of Ordinary Time and Eucharistic Prayer III



St Mary Magdalene

Feast Day: 22nd July

St. Mary Magdalene is one of the greatest saints of the Bible and a legendary example of God's mercy and grace. The precise dates of her birth and death are unknown, but we do know she was present with Christ during his public ministry, death and resurrection. She was the one to discover the empty tomb and the first person Our Lord appeared to after his resurrection. He asked her to announce his resurrection. She is mentioned at least a dozen times in the Gospels.

Mary Magdalene has long been regarded as a prostitute or sexually immoral in western Christianity, but this is not supported in the scriptures. It is believed she was a Jewish woman who lived among Gentiles, living as they did.

Our Lady of the Assumption

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Monday and Tuesday 9am-3pm (Term- Time)

Parish Safeguarding Officer: Claire Littlewood

CONFESSIONS: Available by request after weekday Masses or by appointment with Fr. Sebastian.

INTENTIONS: Please contact Michelle or Johanne on their respective telephone number for Mass requests.

WEEKLY OFFERINGS: For anyone wishing to donate to the Parish either on a regular basis via standing order or for a one-off donation, please see:

<https://www.birminghamdiocese.org.uk/support-our-work>.

Please pray for the Sick and Housebound of our Parish (list on Notice Board).

CONGRATULATIONS to Libby & Poppy pupils at Our Lady of the Assumption who confirmation this weekend with Fr Sebastian. May God and the Holy Spirit continue to protect them all

GOOD LUCK AND HAVE A LOVELY SUMMER: We would like to wish the staff and pupils of our Schools a very happy summer break, following an unprecedented year we pray when you return in September the world will be in a better and safer place. Good luck to all Year 6 students moving on to your new schools. May God bless you all and enjoy your Summer

NEW EPISCOPAL VICAR FOR COVENTRY, WARWICKSHIRE & OXFORDSHIRE: following the Holy Father's acceptance of Bishop William Kenney's resignation from office as Auxiliary Bishop, Archbishop Bernard Longley has appointed Canon Paul Fitzpatrick as Episcopal Vicar for the Pastoral Area of Coventry, Warwickshire and Oxfordshire, with effect from 1 September 2021.

Mass and Streaming Times

Live feed can be found on YouTube search and subscribe: **OLASJVCOV**

SIXTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME		
Saturday 17th	4.30pm Mass at OLA 6.00pm Mass at SJV	Sylvia McGongle – RIP including Confirmation of Libby & Poppy Thomas Monaghan - RIP
Sunday 18th	9.30am Mass at SJV 11.00am Mass at OLA 12.30 at SJV	Nora Heavey - Special Intention Brooklyn Dunn - RIP Baptism of Robyn and Harrison
Monday 19th	9.30am Mass at SJV	Live-stream only Liam Farrell - RIP
Tuesday 20th	9.30am Mass at OLA	Michael McCarthy - RIP
Wednesday 21st	9.30am Mass at SJV	School Mass (Year 6) and Public Worship Kathleen Byrne - RIP - Ann 75 years (Byrne)
Thursday 22nd	12.00noon Mass at OLA	Michael Stokes - RIP
Friday 23rd	9.30am Mass at SJV	NO MASS TODAY
SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME		
Saturday 24th	4.30pm Mass at OLA 6.00pm Mass at SJV	Nan Curtin - RIP Des Flynn - RIP - Ann 4 Years (Flynn)
Sunday 25th	9.30am Mass at SJV 11.00am Mass at OLA	John Gillroy - RIP Rachel Uzell – RIP including the First Holy Communion for the Onazi Children Followed by Baptism of Joanna

OLA Sanctuary Candle this week is in honour of Sean Galvin - RIP Ann