NEWSLETTER FOR THE PARISHES OF

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Sunday 7th June 2020 Trinity Sunday

Your prayers are asked for those who have died recently, especially Brian Morgan, Emily Purdie, Rebecca Aspinall, Basil Monks, Bob Thompson, Norah Coward, Joan Stephenson, Fr. willie Hennessey, Helen Kelly, baby Sonny George McArdle, Helen Kelly, Danny Moran, Sr. Kathleen Hamilton.

> and for those whose anniversaries occur about this time Veronica Bird (Wedding Anniv), Teresa Maher, Bridie Kane.

Please pray too for all those who are lonely or housebound and for those who are sick, at home or in hospital, especially

Janet Clark, Raymond Doran, Peter Fraser, John Murphy, T. C. Sheila Willcox, Andreas Samaras, John Walker, David & Julie Pearce, J. G., Mary Mousley, Paul, Angela Adlen, Giles Rowe, Angela Gregory, Phyllis Cook, Anna Gawlik

Live Streaming System

We are still livestreaming all services via parish websites but we are also experimenting with some parishioners participating via Zoom. If you would like to join in the 11.30am Mass at Queen of Martyrs by Zoom, send an email with your name and mobile number to olgom@rcaol.org.uk by Thursday, and we will email you a Zoom invitation and instructions.

SATURDAY 6th June

6.00pm Mass: St Teresa's

6.00pm Mass: Queen of Martyrs

SUNDAY 7th June

10.00am Mass: St Teresa's

11.30am Mass: Queen of Martyrs

MONDAY 8th June

9.00am Mass: St Teresa's

TUESDAY 9th June

9.00am Mass: St Teresa's

9.00am Mass: Queen of Martyrs

WEDNESDAY 10th June

9.00am Mass: St Teresa's

7.00pm Mass: Queen of Martyrs

THURSDAY 11th June

9.00am Mass: St Teresa's

9.00am Mass: Queen of Martyrs

FRIDAY 12th June

9.00am Mass: St Teresa's

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SATURDAY 13th June

6.00pm Mass: St Teresa's

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SUNDAY 14th June

10.00am Mass: St Teresa's

11.30am Mass: Queen of Martyrs

All Masses are live streamed via the parish websites.



Pope Francis Prayer Intention for June *The Way of the Heart*

This month we are invited to join Pope Francis' prayer intention "....that all those who suffer may find their way

in life, allowing themselves to be touched by the Heart of Jesus."

New resources now available on the Archdiocesan website

- Reflection for Trinity Sunday (available now as an audio download)
- Readings for Trinity Sunday
- Life during lockdown

All can be accessed/downloaded at https://www.liverpoolcatholic.com/ by clicking on 'Prayer and Other Resources'.

Peace Action for June

Remember in your prayers all those who suffer in prison for their beliefs and if possible, support your local Amnesty International group. (22nd June is the Feast of St Thomas More)

New Parish Twitter Account @olqmcroxteth

Facebook Page Our Lady Queen of Martyrs and St Swithins, Croxteth

CAFOD Coronavirus Appeal

We're looking for people to do some small fundraisers and to share them with CAFOD, either by emailing Colette at cbyrne@cafod.org.uk or by posting on social media and tagging us with photos or videos to @CAFODLiverpool on Facebook and Twitter. You'll see in this month's Catholic Pictorial, that one volunteer is saving the money she would usually have spent in coffee shops, and donating it to CAFOD. We'd love to have some more examples of people showing their support! £6 can buy a hygiene package for a vulnerable family containing soap, washing powder and reusable face masks. Donate online at www.cafod.org.uk/Give/Donate-to-Emergencies/Coronavirus-appeal

SUPPORTING YOUR PARISH DURING LOCKDOWN

We are grateful for all your generosity, and here are some ways you can give.

Online giving

Click on https://donate.liverpoolcatholic.org.uk/our-lady-queen-of-martyrs-croxteth for Our Lady Queen of Martyrs or

https://donate.liverpoolcatholic.org.uk/st-teresa-of-the-child-jesus-liverpool for St Teresa's and complete a simple online form to make a regular weekly or one-off donation. **Text giving**

Text **TERESAPRAY** to donate to St Teresa's or **OLQM** to donate to Our Lady Queen of Martyrs. Send your text to...

70085 to donate £2. Texts cost £2 plus one standard rate message.

70450 to donate £3. Texts cost £3 plus one standard rate message.

70460 to donate £5. Texts cost £5 plus one standard rate message.

70470 to donate £10. Texts cost £10 plus one standard rate message.

With any of these messages you'll be opting in to hear more about our work and fundraising via telephone and SMS.

If you'd like to donate but do not wish to receive marketing communications, change your message to *TERESAPRAYNOINFO* or *OLQMNOINFO*.

Standing Order

If you already have a Standing Order to your parish it will remain in force. If you would like to set up a new Standing Order, send an email to the parish you want to support, using the email address on the front of the newsletter, and we will send you a Standing Order form.

Gift Aid

If you pay income tax in the UK you can gift aid your donation, which means the parish can claim back from the Government 25p for every £1 you donate, at no cost to you.

Learning to Relate

The mystery of the Trinity is something we believe about God, but it is also a truth about us.

Many ancient religions believed that there were many different gods: gods of war, of love, of the sea, even of particular places. The people of Israel gradually came to know that there was only one God, and that belief is also held by Muslims and by Christians. But the doctrine of the Trinity, developed in the Christian faith, tells us that the one God who made the heavens, the earth and everything in them is not one individual person, but a unity of three persons in an endless and perfect relationship with each other. And it goes further, teaching us that this God of relationship desires to draw every person on the earth into that endless and perfect relationship. That is the only reason God created us: so that we can be in relationship with God and with all God's other creatures. Being created in the image and likeness of this relationship God, we are designed to find our true selves and our ultimate fulfilment in relationship with God and with others.

This design is set deep within us but it has been overlaid, in our contemporary Western society, by a competitive individualism that is damaging to us and corrosive of the fabric of our society. Some cultures that we might describe as primitive have kept a firmer grasp on the fundamental truth that we are designed for mutual dependence and support. One example is the African proverb that it takes a whole village to bring up a child. Another is the response of a tribal chief to a Christian missionary who, having lived with the tribe for some time, giving them instruction in the faith, announced that most of them were ready for baptism, but a few were not. The chief replied that they would wait until all could be baptised together.

There is much debate about human rights in our society, but it is usually concerned with the rights of individuals, which often seem to conflict with each other or with the common good of the whole society. The doctrine of the Trinity teaches us that human dignity is ours, not mine, and that a good society is one in which everyone acts out of love and respect for everyone else, especially the weak and vulnerable, rather than pursuing their own selfish interest.

If the lockdown has taught us anything, it should have made us value our relationships and find new ways to relate in love with one another, reflecting the nature of the God who made us.

Fr Chris