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**FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT 21st & 22nd MARCH 2020**

In response to the Coronavirus pandemic, so many aspects of our lives must change. This includes the ways in which we publicly express our faith. It's very clear that following official advice and in order to keep each other safe, save lives and support the NHS, at this time we must not gather for public acts of worship in our churches. This will begin from Friday evening, 20 March 2020, until further notice. Although we won't be gathering for public acts of worship, our churches will remain open. They are not closing. They will be a focal point of prayer, where you will find solace and strength. In visiting our churches at this time, we will observe with great care the practices of hygiene and the guidance on social distancing. However, the celebration of Mass, Sunday by Sunday and day by day, will take place without a public congregation.

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Until further notice the obligation to attend Mass on Sundays and Holydays of Obligation is suspended. Everyone is encouraged to be faithful in prayer and acts of Spiritual Communion.

**St Giles' Cheadle will be open during the day every day**  
**St Thomas' Tean will be open Fridays 3.00pm-7.00pm Sundays 10.00am-4.00pm**

**To support the NHS & others please remember hygiene practices and guidance on social distancing.**

Fr Eric will offer prayer in private on everyone's behalf.  
You may like to join him by praying at any of these or other suitable times.

**Every day**  
**8.00am Morning Prayer**  
**12 noon Holy Rosary**  
**6.30 pm Evening Prayer**  
**9.45 pm Night Prayer**



**Please let Fr Eric know of any person or concern you would like including in prayer, if possible by e-mail: kemballeric@gmail.com**

Children, families and anyone else who wants to join in is invited to say the **Guardian Angel Prayer** at 5.30 pm every day.

Fr Eric will **celebrate Mass** in Church **privately** every day

All our prayer unite us to Jesus' sacrifice offered in the Mass. An act of Spiritual Communion is a wonderful way to receive Jesus' blessing.

This week Fr Eric will offer Mass for these Intentions:

- Sat 21st: Milo Lavan RIP
- Sun 22nd Molly Archer RIP
- Mon 23rd People of the Parishes
- Tues 24th Cyril Rowe RIP
- Wed 25th Pat Barthelemy RIP
- Thurs 26th Jill Jervis RIP
- Fri 27th Intentions of  
Bp David McGough
- Sat 28th May & James Paden RIP
- Sun 29th People of the Parishes

Cardinal Vincent Nichols encourages us:

"Don't lose heart, please get deeper rooted"

We need to listen to the guidance we are given and do all we can to keep others and ourselves safe

Let's remember others. Small acts of kindness will be very important.

Please don't be afraid or embarrassed to ask Fr Eric for help. I will do my best and if I can't offer the help you need or find someone who can, I will do my best to be kind and say "sorry".

**An Act of Spiritual Communion can help us especially if we cannot receive Holy Communion. No matter what your day is like, Jesus can help make it better, or at least more bearable, if you ask him for His help and guidance in prayers such as this one, composed by St. Alphonsus Liguori:**

My Jesus, I believe that you are present in the most Blessed Sacrament. I love You above all things and I desire to receive You into my soul. Since I cannot now receive You sacramentally come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace You as if You were already there, and unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You. Amen.

**The Guardian Angel Prayer we are praying each day at 5.30pm or another time.**

Angel of God, my guardian dear, to whom God's love entrusts me here.  
Ever this day be at my side, to light and guard, to rule and guide. Amen.

**Significant prayers, which you might like to pray while Fr Eric is offering daily prayers or at other times:**

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name;  
thy kingdom come; thy will be done  
on earth as it is in heaven.  
Give us this day our daily bread;  
and forgive us our trespasses  
as we forgive those who trespass against us;  
and lead us not into temptation,  
but deliver us from evil. Amen.

Hail Mary full of Grace, the Lord is with thee.  
Blessed are thou amongst women and blessed is the fruit  
of thy womb Jesus.  
Holy Mary Mother of God, pray for us sinners now  
and at the hour of our death. Amen.

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to  
the Holy Spirit. As it was in the beginning is now,  
and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

**Prayer for those who have died**

Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord,  
and let perpetual light shine upon them.  
May they rest in peace. Amen.

**Links to the full texts of Morning, Evening and  
Night Prayer which Fr Eric will be praying (along with  
Daily Mass Readings) are on our Parish website:**

**READINGS OF THE DAY**

**The Magnificat (Mary's Prayer) is said daily  
at Evening Prayer**

My soul glorifies the Lord,  
My spirit rejoices in God my Saviour.  
He looks on his servant in her lowliness;  
Henceforth all generations will call me blessed.  
The Almighty works marvels for me.  
Holy his name!  
His mercy is from age to age,  
on those who fear him.  
He puts forth his arm in strength  
And scatters the proud hearted.  
He casts the mighty from their thrones  
And raises the lowly.  
He fills the starving with good things,  
Sends the rich away empty.  
He protects Israel, his servant,  
remembering his mercy,  
the mercy promised to our fathers,  
to Abraham and his sons for ever.

Glory be to the Father and to the Son  
and to the Holy Spirit,  
as it was in the beginning, is now,  
and ever shall be, world without end.  
Amen.

The 5 presidents of Churches Together in England have suggested:

*At such a time as this, when so many are fearful and there is great uncertainty, we are reminded of our dependence on our loving Heavenly Father and the future that he holds.  
At 7.00 pm this Sunday (22 March), light a candle in the windows of your homes as a visible symbol of the light of life, Jesus Christ, our source and hope in prayer.*

**THE GUILD HALL  
IS CLOSED UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE**

**FOOD BANK ONLY WILL CONTINUE TO BE OPEN**

**OAKLEY ROOM, GUILD HALL**

**WEDNESDAY 9.00AM –11.00 AM**

**FRIDAY 1.00PM-3.00PM**

**ALL PARISH AND OTHER CHURCH MEETINGS  
CANCELLED UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE**

**CONTACT DETAILS**

Many of the contact details I have for parishioners are out of date. I would like to be able to contact people by e-mail, phone and post. Please let me have your details, preferably by e-mail:

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or by letter

or by phone (01538 753130)

**PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS**

The work of the NHS and all involved in caring for others

All the sick, troubled and anxious

All maintaining essential services

Those unable to work

All those who have died:

Among them:

John Haines, Patricia Barthelemy, Cyril Rowe, Jill Jervis.