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SOLEMNITY OF THE ASSUMPTION OF OUR BLESSED LADY INTO HEAVEN

SATURDAY 15TH	5.00pm	Holy Mass	Nellie Coyne
SUNDAY 16TH	8.30am 10.00am 12noon	Holy Mass Holy Mass Holy Mass	Monica Kearns Lizzie Cronin Mick Coyne
MONDAY 17TH FERIA	10.00am	Holy Mass	Tony Fagan
TUESDAY 18TH FERIA	10.00am	Holy Mass	Kim Teahan
WEDNESDAY 19TH FERIA	10.00am	Holy Mass	Eunice McDonnell
THURSDAY 20TH ST BERNARD	10.00am	Holy Mass	Kim Johnson (nee McNamee)
FRIDAY 21ST ST PIUS X	10.00am 12.15pm	Holy Mass <u>Requiem Mass</u>	Jenny Davies Denis Hernan
SATURDAY 22ND THE QUEENSHIP OF OUR LADY	10.00am 10.30 - 11.00am	Holy Mass <i>Confessions</i>	Michael Stankard
TWENTY FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME			
SATURDAY 22ND	4.00 - 4.30pm 5.00pm	<i>Confessions</i> Holy Mass	Peter Joyner
SUNDAY 23RD	8.30am 10.00am 12noon	Holy Mass Holy Mass Holy Mass	Mary Keaveney & Mary Hegarty Michael Ward Patrick Bashford

**PUBLIC MASSES ARE NOW BEING CELEBRATED EACH DAY.
 FOR THE TIME BEING THE CHURCH WILL BE CLOSED FOR
 CLEANING AFTER THE CELEBRATION OF THE WEEKDAY MASS
 AND WILL NOT OPEN FOR PRIVATE PRAYER**

You are be able to live stream all Masses via YouTube.

www.youtube.com/c/SacredHeartandHolySoulsAcocksGreen

Dear Parishioners,

Today is the great Solemnity of the Assumption of Our Blessed Lady into Heaven. It is a day when we rejoice in her unique role in the great story of salvation. Mary is indeed the first fruits of the salvation of God. Kept safe from original sin and sharing fully in the life of Her Beloved Son, at the end of her life she is raised body and soul to heaven to share in the fulness of eternity. Mary is both model and Mother of us the Church. As model she gives us an example to embrace the great life of her Son. As Mother to us all, she is Jesus' gift to us and she intercedes for us so that His life may grow stronger in us and that we be fully prepared for eternal life.

Intercession of Our Lady - On this Feast of the Assumption, could we all offer a decade of the rosary for those who are suffering with Covid-19 especially in many parts of the world with poor medical services and also to pray for a vaccine to be developed soon? Perhaps this is a prayer you could make with other members of your family.

Ancient Prayer to Our Lady - In this time of need, let us not forget a great and ancient prayer for Our Lady's intercession, *The Sub Tuum*. *'We fly to thy protection, O holy Mother of God. Despise not our petitions in our necessities, but deliver us always from all dangers, O glorious and blessed Virgin.'*

Live streaming - We continue to livestream all of our daily Masses. The new camera that you have so generously contributed towards will be installed in the church at the beginning of September. We hope that it will continue to support those who have to shield and those who are sick and housebound to take part in the offering of the Mass.

Thank you - For the cooperation you have shown to the stewards in coming to church and helping to keep everyone safe by following the guidelines. We are especially grateful for your willingness to take an assigned seat even if it is not your regular place. We thank you for responding to the request to leave the benches at Holy Communion time even if you are not coming to Holy Communion or for a blessing. Please remember to keep social distancing if you are queuing to enter the church and also leaving the church. All of these measures help us to keep one another safe so that we may worship God together.

Coffee Morning by Zoom - This Tuesday at 11am. If you are not a regular member of this Zoom meeting and would like to take part in an online video chat with parishioners, please email us at the parish by Monday evening and we will send you the link to the meeting to click on at 11am on Tuesday morning. You will also need to download the Zoom app onto your computer or tablet.

The Parish Tote - We are pleased to announce that we hope to have the first Tote Draw following lockdown on Thursday 3rd September. This weekend you will be able to take away an envelope with a Tote Card to confirm your numbers and add your contributions. For those who are "every week customers" you will be able to use the envelope to confirm you are continuing to play and to make your contribution. Thank you so much for supporting the parish in this way.

Confessions - The Sacrament is available on Saturday mornings 10.30am-11.30am and Saturday afternoon 4pm-4.30pm or by appointment. This will be outside by the side door of the church.

Saturday Morning Adoration and Benediction - This has recommenced from 10.30am-11.30am. We hope that other opportunities for adoration can begin again in September.

Anna Czepiel RIP - Anna's Funeral Mass will be celebrated at St. Michael's Church in More Street on Wednesday morning at 9.30am. May she rest in peace.

Baptisms - Over the next few months we will be celebrating Baptisms on Saturday lunchtimes. We are currently contacting families awaiting Baptism of their children. Thank you for your patience.

Piety Stall and Mass Intentions - Due to the restrictions we are unable to open the piety stall. If you require a Mass card, please contact the presbytery and we will do our best to oblige. Please contact the presbytery to arrange for Mass to be celebrated.

Extra Stewards and Cleaners - Thank you for those who have come forward to help as additional cleaners and stewards. We are making a good back up team now. More offers of help would be appreciated. Please speak to Fr Tomas or Fr Jonathan.

Finance - We want to thank everybody for the generous contributions you are making to our parish finances at this time. We are most grateful to everybody who has been able to make up their contributions for the many weeks we have been in lockdown, but we do realise these are challenging times for people. Here in the parish many of our expenses have continued and we still have to pay the many bills and our contributions to our parish school levies to name a few. We are unable to have a "normal" collection during Mass. Please would you kindly give your offering to the warden with the basket in the porch at the end of Mass.

Ways to Support the Parish Financially - Drop in your offertory envelope (with your offertory envelope number); Send in cheques made payable to 'Parish of Sacred Heart and Holy Souls'; Set up a Standing Order. Please see the forms on the website and give us a call or email for our bank details; Gift aid your donation if you are a tax payer at no additional cost to you. The parish reclaims the tax on your offering. Complete a gift aid declaration form found on the website and return it to the presbytery; Make a single donation to us through the diocesan website: www.birminghamdiocese.org.uk/support-our-work. Thank you.

Gift Aid Envelopes - Envelopes are beginning to be delivered to parishioners who use them. We have been unable to distribute them because of lockdown and are unable to leave them in church at this time. In the meantime, would you mind putting your offering in an envelope and including your gift aid number. Thank you!

Bring a Bottle - Filled with water and we will be happy to bless it after Mass. At this time we are unable to provide Holy Water at the font or in the holy water stoups.

Holy Souls Social Club - The club has reopened and has been set up very well to support social distancing and at the same time able to enjoy company and relax. During the summer weeks we are opening for reduced hours at the weekends Friday, Saturday and Sunday evenings and Sunday lunchtime. There will be bingo this coming Thursday and bingo will then take a break over the remaining summer weeks. We look forward to welcoming you and seeing you at the club over the weekend.

Tuition - Kevin McLoughlin is available for maths tuition to help families with young people who require it. Please contact him on 01216282394.

Finally - Today is a great feast day for the whole Church as we rejoice in the Assumption of Our Lady. Please take some time to celebrate this feast in your own lives today. We hope that you have a great week and if you are going on holiday a restful and safe time.

With prayers and good wishes, Fr Jonathan and Fr Tomas.

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

Recently Deceased: Joyce Hughes, Anna Czepiel, Emer McDonnell, Theresa Norah Taylor, Denis Hernan, Angela Normoyle, Thomas Falkin

Anniversaries of Death: Patrick Molloy, John McGlynn, Henry Ward, Patricia Davis, Cyril Green, Eileen Drugan, Mark Lohan, Michael Doherty, Christina Barnley, Gerard Meehan, Peter Joyner, John Nolan, Anne Atkinson, Patrick Bashford, Marcella Moran, John McLoughlin, Dennis O'Connor, Margaret Glynn, Patrick Hayes, Hedwig Elkington, Thomas Diegnan, Josephine Magee and Paul Andrew Keeley.

Sick and Housebound: Myra Hill, Maureen Lambert, Christopher Zajac, John Stenson, Josephine Jones, Dorothy & David Cross, Ann Carolan, Ann Wilson, Kathleen Watson, Ann Farrell, Tom Foley, Maisie Meehan, Peter Fagan, Steven Somerville, Reg Wells and all those suffering from the Covid-19 Virus.