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**PLEASE NOTE:** The best way to contact us is by email. All enquiries and non-urgent matters, including mass intentions, please email Karin Rattray, the Parish Secretary, at [kingston@rcaos.org.uk](mailto:kingston@rcaos.org.uk). In case of an emergency or for a pressing enquiry *only*, please call on 020 8546 4633.

**FEAST DAYS, MEMORIALS AND MASSES**

**SUNDAY 7<sup>TH</sup> FEBRUARY 2021  
FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (B)**

<b>Saturday 6<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>St Paul Miki and Companions, Martyrs, Memorial</b>
6.30pm	Marie-Anne & Edward Xiberras RIP
<b>Sunday 7<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>5<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time</b>
9am	People of the Parish
10.30am	Wellbeing of Keith & Alan Fraser
6.30pm	
<b>Monday 8<sup>th</sup></b>	
	Rev. Father H Albert Jenner RIP
<b>Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup></b>	
9.30am	Camara Family in Australia
<b>Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>St Scholastica, Virgin, Memorial</b>
<b>Thursday 11<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>World Day of the Sick</b>
9.30am	Health & Wellbeing of Priests, Deacon & Parishioners of St Agatha's
<b>Friday 12<sup>th</sup></b>	
<b>Saturday 13<sup>th</sup></b>	
6.30pm	
<b>Morning Prayer &amp; Mass:</b> Tuesday & Thursday 09:00 AM	
<b>Weekend Mass Times:</b> Saturday: 18:30, Sunday: 09:00, 10:30, 18:30	

**PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK AND HOUSEBOUND**

Please pray for the sick and housebound of our Parish: Christina Ward, Clare Horgan, John Sewter, Keith Fraser, Trish Taylor, Ryan Morrison, Philip Cockle and Melba De Silva. *Please let the Parish Office know in writing if either you or your relatives want to be mentioned on our sick list.*

**ANNIVERSARIES**

*Karmimurz Skicki, Noreen Halloran, Mary Joyce, Salvatore Grassi, Alice Bennett, Father Albert H. Jenner, Kathleen Lombard, Amadeis Mouta, Noreen Mullane, Frances Marie, Edith Campbell, William Hardy, Cornelius O'Reilly, Ethel Maud Ward, Lucinda Potesta, Joseph McGuckin, Louise Maud Dawson, Antonio Ferritto, Bronislaw Jaroszynski, Mary Ellen Miles, Julia Woodhams, William Lovely, Margaret North, Elsie Brady, Harold Ladler, Harold Mays, Bridget Woolgar, Florence Brockwell, Ellen McKay, Magdlen Saxby, Alice Burgess, Kevin Flynn, Ryan Wrathall, John Wall, Alfred Robert Frederick Brockwell, Michael Higgins, Patrick Howard.*

**+++May they rest in Peace+++**

**LET US REMEMBER**

Let us remember those who have died recently or those whose anniversaries occur at this time, and all their families, with love and affection during this time of grief. May the Lord grant eternal rest to all who have died.

**Our Church continues to be open for Public Masses**

Following the Prime Minister's announcement of a lockdown on 4<sup>th</sup> January 2021 places of worship may remain open as long as they follow the established guidance. Our church remains open and will maintain the highest standard of social distancing and sanitising.

However, due to these restrictions and the availability of our stewards, the decision has been made to reduce the opening of the church during the weekdays for the next few weeks. **Therefore, the church will only be open on Tuesdays and Thursdays for Adoration and Mass at 9am.**

We will continue our normal weekend Mass schedule: Saturday: 18:30 and Sunday: 09:00, 10:30, 18:30.

**We will continue to live stream our Sunday 10.30am Mass**

Live Streaming of the 10.30am Sunday Mass will continue from our website home page and Facebook page:

<https://www.facebook.com/agatha.kingston.92>

- We ask that you do not enter the church if you have cold or flu-like symptoms.
- Maintain strict social distancing at all times, both inside and outside the church building.
- You must not 'mingle' with anyone outside of your household or support bubble.
- Face coverings must be worn in the church at all times by those over the age of 11, unless they have a medical exemption.
- Please sit in designated seating, and be guided by our church stewards.
- All surfaces will be cleaned when the church is closed. Please try to avoid touching anything in church unnecessarily.

Please, kindly note that the dispensation from Sunday obligation, granted by the Bishops at the onset of the first lockdown, is still in place until further notice.



**Welcome**

**We extend a very warm welcome to Fr. Eugene Lugh, MSP, who has joined us as our new Assistant Parish Priest. He will be at all the Masses this weekend. We know that you will make him feel very welcome.**

**Live-in Carer Needed**

**A long-time parishioner is looking for a live-in carer. If you might be interested, or can make a recommendation, please would you be kind enough to contact 07956409903 for further information and to discuss.**



**PLEASE STAY SAFE AND KEEP WELL!**

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**Fifth Sunday of Ordinary Time, Cycle B**  
**Sunday, February 7, 2021**

**Gospel Reading**

Mark 1:29-39

Jesus cures Simon's mother-in-law and many others as well.

**Gospel Reflection**

Today we continue to read from Mark's Gospel, learning more about the ministry of Jesus. Jesus cured Simon's mother-in-law, and she immediately began to serve Jesus and his disciples. Jesus also cured many others who were brought to him, healing their illnesses and driving out demons. As we will see throughout Mark's Gospel, Jesus did not permit the demons to speak because they knew his identity and would have revealed it to those who were present.

On the morning after this busy day, Jesus retreated in prayer, but was pursued by Simon and others who brought news that many people were looking for him. At this point in Mark's Gospel, we begin to see a distinct role for the inner circle of Jesus' disciples—they act as intermediaries between Jesus and the people. Jesus reports to his disciples that they need to leave Capernaum to preach in other places.

Today's Gospel completes a picture of Jesus' ministry: preaching, curing the sick, driving out demons, and then moving on to continue this work in another place. Mark's Gospel tells us that Jesus did this throughout Galilee.

Jesus' compassion and healing of the sick is a sign of the Kingdom of God. The Church continues to extend Christ's healing presence to others in its ministry to the sick. In the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick, the Church prays for spiritual and physical healing, forgiveness of sins, and comfort for those who are suffering from illness.

In today's Gospel we also notice the importance of prayer in Jesus' daily life. Jesus rose early in the morning, removed himself from the crowds, and went to a deserted place to pray. When the disciples found him, he told them that it was time to move on. We believe that in his prayers Jesus found guidance and direction from God. We also bring our decision-making to God in prayer, asking for his guidance and direction in our lives.

**Family Reflection**

We know from last week's Gospel that Jesus gathered and prayed with the community in the synagogue. Today we learn that Jesus also took the time to pray alone. Following the example of Jesus, we also pray together with our community, and we take the time to pray alone. Our children observe our prayer with others. We might want to take the opportunity to talk with them about our private prayer, however, so that through our example, they may learn to make private prayer an important part of their daily lives.

Gather as a family and talk about the ways in which your family prays together (at Mass, grace before meals, bedtime prayers). Invite each member of the family to talk about his or her private prayer: When do you pray? Where do you pray? How do you pray? What do you pray for?

Jesus modelled for us a life of prayer. Read together today's Gospel, Mark 1:29-39. Talk about this Gospel with your family. Ask questions such as the following: What do you think Jesus was praying about in today's Gospel? What guidance have you received from God in prayer? Conclude by asking God to bless our times of prayer so that we can know and follow God's ways. Pray together the Lord's Prayer.

Sunday Connection, Loyola Press

**The World Day of The Sick**

The World Day of The Sick will be celebrated on Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> February 2021. Pope Francis' message for the World Day of the Sick this year focuses on the scriptural theme: "You have but one teacher and you are all brothers" (Mt 23:8) The World Day of the Sick "is an opportunity to devote special attention to the sick and to those who provide them with assistance and care both in healthcare institutions and within families and communities," says Pope Francis in his 2021 message reflecting on how a trust-based relationship must guide the care of the sick. "We think in particular of those who have suffered, and continue to suffer, the effects of the worldwide coronavirus pandemic" Find the Holy Father's message for the World Day of the Sick at: [http://www.vatican.va/content/francesco/en/messages/sick/documents/papa-francesco\\_20201220\\_giornata-malato.html](http://www.vatican.va/content/francesco/en/messages/sick/documents/papa-francesco_20201220_giornata-malato.html)

**Baptism Preparation Class and Baptisms**

For those who wish to have their child baptised this year, please register for our next class, (date to be confirmed for March) by completing and returning the baptism application form, available on our website, to the parish office. If you have already attended a class, please email the parish office to advise and arrange a date for your child's baptism.



**First Holy Communion 2021**

Thank you to all parents/carers for returning the FHC application forms for 2021. Sadly, due to the current government restrictions the parents meeting and inscription Mass were not permitted to go ahead and we are not yet able to start our programme.



**St Agatha's Confirmation 2021**

Please check the website and newsletter for updates regarding our next confirmation course. We will update these details as soon as possible.

**Knowing Jesus: Jesuit Lent Online Retreat 2021**

Walk with the Jesuits through Lent and Easter and really come to understand and love Jesus. They will ponder Gospel stories, reflect on their meaning and see how startlingly relevant Jesus is to living a truly human life in the 21st Century. Follow the retreat online, and sign up to an online group (places limited): <https://www.onlineprayer.net/>. Sign up to receive daily emails during Lent and additional resources: <http://eepurl.com/hnlXAn>

**'Building a Better Marriage'**

An online event on the 19<sup>th</sup> March 2021, between 10.00am and 1.00pm, which will give you a chance to explore and improve your relationship and hopefully provide you with valuable insights into your communication skills and the call of the Church to the married. Please note that there is no group sharing. This is not marriage counselling but a chance to make average-to-good marriages a bit better. That applies whether you have been married five years or 50. Booking is essential: telephone 07983 524 727 or email [mflkent@rcaos.org.uk](mailto:mflkent@rcaos.org.uk)

