THE CATHOLIC PARISHES OF MOLESEY & HERSHAM St Barnabas Vine Road Molesey All Saints Queens Road Hersham

27 JUNE 2021

THIRTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

All peoples, clap your hands. Cry to God with shouts of joy!

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Masses

My dear parishioners,

This Sunday St Mark presents us with his two women who find their place at the heart of this evangelist's gospel. The old woman whose debilitating illness meant that she desperately reached out to Jesus, and the little girl of Jairus who lies on her deathbed. The scene is set.

St Augustine, commentating on the woman's encounter says, 'She touches Him, the people crowd Him. Is her touching not a sign of her belief?'

We need this contact. In the sacraments we have this physical touch and our faith is enlivened. And the woman's faith has made her well, just as the sacraments feed our spiritual health and touch our lives too, in ways that are deep and mysterious. 'Daughter....' says Jesus, and we feel all the compassion and love of the Lord for this restored and healed woman. One moment she is weak and debilitated from this constant drain, the next instant, divine strength is running through her.

From the fringes of the community the power, which comes from the fringe of

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Jesus' garment, has propelled her into the limelight: she becomes a sign of the power of Christ. She had known that she risked the possibility of rendering someone else unclean of dragging another person into her exile, but now her story will be told, her trusting hand, accessing a fresh well of mercy.

The old woman has got her life back, as the news of the little girl's death is overheard. Jesus we are told ignores the gossip but then acts. He take his companions, only three are necessary, they will be witnesses. Another Church Father, St Bede, imagines the scene:

To men's eyes she was dead, she could not be awoken; in God's eyes she was alive and subject to God's power, and her body was resting, awaiting the resurrection. Hence the custom which arose amongst Christians of referring to the dead, whom we know will rise again, as those who are asleep....'

As we celebrate the last Sunday of First Holy Communion for our children we are mindful of many important truths:

1. The Lord desires that we live abundantly.

- 2. Life is the most precious gift and we treasure the lives of our children, born and growing in the womb and waiting to be allowed to be born. We treasure too the lives of the weakest and the elderly who show us extraordinary and powerful things.
- 3. The sacrament of Christ's Body and Blood feeds our lives and our own hope for eternal life.
- 4. The loving touch of Jesus Christ is our daily experience, even when we open our hearts to Him in the smallest ways.

May we feel and know for ourselves the touch of Jesus Christ on this His Day and everyday.

My prayers and affectionate good wishes. Fr Richard

THE OPENING OF CHURCHES FOR PRIVATE PRAYER & PUBLIC MASSES

The churches are open for private prayer during the day. The churches are also open for Mass.

Bear in mind that the doors of the churches will be open, so it will be possible to be outside the building itself but have a reasonable connection with the celebration of the liturgy.

We need to be attentive to safety and social distancing requirements. There will be limited space in the churches, but the doors will be open, and those who don't mind standing can participate in the Mass from outside the church as long as social distance is observed.

PLEASE NOTE

- The obligation to be at Sunday Mass continues to be suspended until further notice.
- We are <u>not</u> permitted to sing together.

- Holy Communion will now be distributed in the usual place. Please remove your face coverings in preparation for the reverent reception of Holy Communion.
- Every effort will be made to avoid any possible transmission of the virus.
- The celebrant's hands will be thoroughly cleansed before the distribution of Holy Communion.
- Take advantage of the weekday Masses to spread the numbers and assist safe space.
- Please wear face coverings.

THIS WEEK'S SCHEDULE OF WEEKDAY MASSES & LITURGY AT MOLESEY: All Live streamed

Monday at 9.30am, Tuesday at 9.30am, Thursday at 9.30am & Saturday 10am.

AT HERSHAM: All live streamed Wednesday at 9.30am & Friday 9am

To access the live stream Molesey & Hersham go to www.stbarnabasmolesey.org and click on the picture of the appropriate church.

FOLLOW US ON FACEBOOK

Holy Ones of Encouragement

For regular updates, news and devotions

Access the page by going to www.stbarnabasmolesey.org and click on the Facebook icon.

You do not have to join Facebook to see this.

PARISHIONERS LOOKING AFTER EACH OTHER from the parishes have joined together to provide mutual help and support during these days of lockdown and isolation by means of telephone calls, email and social media groups.

THINKING OF BECOMING A CATHOLIC? We have two groups running in our parishes at All Saints and St Barnabas. Please contact Fr Richard, Veronica at Hersham or Yvonne Foster at Molesey.

CONFIRMATION 2021

If you are in school year 10 and would like to join the parishes' confirmation course, please email Fr Richard.

If, young or old, you have never been confirmed, please also take this opportunity to contact Fr Richard to talk about arranging celebrating this Sacrament of the Holy Spirit.

PRAYERS & DEVOTIONS

Soul of Christ, sanctify me;
Body of Christ, save me;
Blood of Christ, inebriate me;
Water from the side of Christ, wash me;
Passion of Christ, strengthen me;
O good Jesus hear me;
Within your wounds hide me;
Suffer me not to be separated from you,
From the evil one protect me;
At the hour of my death, call me;
And bid me come to thee; That with thy saints I may be praise thee
For all eternity. Amen.

Act of Spiritual Communion

This prayer is said when it is not possible for us to receive Holy Communion. If you are watching a live stream Mass you might like to say the prayer as the priest receives Holy Communion.

My Jesus, I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament.

I love You above all things, and I desire to receive You in my soul. Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace You and unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You. Amen

For those who are suffering

O God, who willed that our infirmities be borne by your Only Begotten Son to show the value of human suffering, listen in kindness to our prayers for our brothers and sisters who are sick; grant that all who are oppressed by pain, distress or other afflictions may know that they are chosen among those proclaimed blessed and are united to Christ in his suffering for the salvation of the world. Through Christ Our Lord. Amen

Merciful God, come to the help of your people. Be our shelter in this time of peril and strengthen the bonds of our community. Bring healing to all who suffer the ravages of disease and assist those whose skill and art can put an end to this affliction. Through Christ our Lord. Amen

LET US PRAY FOR: For those who are sick in our parishes: John O'Reilly, Kevin O'Connor, Eptisam Yusef, Peter Weeks, Eileen Firth, Patrick Russell, Ann Griffin, Andy Hanges, Patricia Malcolm, Rose Collins, Maureen Lloyd, Therese Ayres, Ann Livingston, Dina Yates, Sheila Day, Nicoletta Lanzisera, Richard D'Alton, Nedra Gilson, the Superville and McComb family, Mark.

Please advise the parish offices know of those names and intentions you would like added to our list for our prayers.

Those who have died: Geoffrey Maud, Esther Inskipp, Fr Kevin Alban, Julie Benton-MacLeod, Jose Odackal Joseph, Ben Adderley, Eileen Creed, Sandrine Atkins, Charles Alexander, Nellie Widdup, Bette Beatrice Reed. Bobbettie McColl, Hammond, Desmond Alphonso, Dennis Lackey, Gilly Becker, Mgr Barry Wymes, Fr Richard Lear CJ, Sue Bolton, Patrick Duggan, Kathleen Bell, Peggy Fitzgerald, Edward Quigley, Carl Zalman, Carmen Szkwirko, Harry O'Sullivan, William Ritchie, Teresa Redmond, Rosanna Hilling, Helena Wallis, John Knowles, Kathleen Kelly (Lambert), Gerry Firth, Adderley, Salvator Messini, Rui Da Silva, Maria Camara.

Those who anniversaries fall this week: Fr Robert Madden, Fr John Healy. **An On Line Link for Mass Prayers** The readings from daily Mass: http://universalis.com/mass.h

DURING THE MONTH OF JUNE children (in small groups) will receive their First Holy Communion at the 9am Mass at **HERSHAM** & 11am Mass at **MOLESEY**. Let us keep the children preparing for their First Holy Communion and their families in our prayers over the coming weeks.

PARISH FINANCES

With the suspension of Sunday Masses and the lack of a Sunday collection, please consider the financial needs of the parishes. Whilst it might be possible to set aside your Sunday contribution why not think about a standing order to the parishes?

FOR HERSHAM

Account Name: ALL SAINTS HERSHAM Account Number 21077295

FOR MOLESEY

Account Name: MOLESEY ST BARNABAS Account Number 71077252

The Sort Code for both accounts is 40-05-20

Many parishioners already support the parishes by direct giving through their bank. You will understand that we need to support our parishes even though we may not be at church as regularly.

ST BARNABAS YOUTH CLUB FOR YEAR 3 & UPWARDS runs every Friday evening in term times.

New rules for this term

- 1. Children must be registered.
- 2. There will be no cost.
- 3. Times 6pm to 7.30pm
- 4. Parents are not to come into the hall in order to be COVID compliant.

Registration: If your child would like to attend you <u>must</u> text Jean Casha 07960-654-813 with the following information – Name, surname, School Year, phone number, address and permission to add your number to the closed Whatsapp group.

FOODBANK DONATIONS AT ALL SAINTS HERSHAM & ST BARNABAS MOLESEY FOOD BANK DONATIONS.

Items urgently required:

- 1. Tinned meat
- 2. Fray Bentos pies
- 3. Tinned potatoes
- 4. Tinned vegetables
- 5. Tinned spaghetti / spaghetti hoops
- 6. Long life sponge puddings
- 7. Tinned custard
- 8. Tinned rice pudding
- 9. Long life milk.

NO FRESH FOOD, PLEASE.

Collection points:

- 1. At the back of All Saints and St. Barnabas churches.
- 2. The Food Bank Warehouse, Faulkners Road, Hersham opposite Lilliput's Nursery. Open on Wednesday 10.00-12.00 noon.

OR PLEASE CONSIDER GIVING A FINANCIAL DONATION, which will be used to buy fresh fruit, vegetables and eggs on the day of the distribution of the food parcels.

A financial donation can be made either online at <u>waltonhersham.foodbank.org.uk</u> or, at All Saints, in the form of a cheque, made payable to 'Walton and Hersham Foodbank' and put into an envelope

labelled Food Bank. This may be placed into the weekly offertory collection plate and it will then be forwarded.

HERE TO HELP-ELMBRIDGE

One of our parishioners, David Bone, has set up a Facebook site called Here to Help – Elmbridge. This initiative is to offer help to people in our local community who are in need in terms of food, gifts, clothes and furniture. If you are in need or would like to help or are able to offer your time to collect and deliver items, please get in contact with David on 07714 683090 or via Facebook via the following link: https://www.facebook.com/groups/732010290666981/

ASK YOUR MP to sign a Parliamentary 'DIY' abortion stop to Carla Lockhart MPhas launched parliamentary motion calling Government to end 'DIY' home abortion. It is therefore vital that as many MPs as possible sign Carla Lockhart's motion to send a clear message to the Government that they must end dangerous 'DIY' home abortion services as soon as possible. Right To Life UK has launched an easy-touse tool which makes it simple for you to send an email to your MP asking them to sign the motion. Please see the link below to contact your MP now. It only takes 30 seconds!

www.righttolife.org.uk/DIYmotion

NEW GROUP FOR CATHOLIC Young Adults launches this week. Please anyone between the ages of 18-35 years old get in touch with lizzie.wakeling@abdiocese.org.uk to find out more.

DAY FOR CATECHISTS Saturday 25 September, Worth Abbey. A gathering of Catechists from around the Diocese, to share our experiences and offer support and resources. The day ends with mass with Bishop Richard. To book contact ruth.gerun@abdiocese.org.uk

CAFOD - Are you aged 18-30? CAFOD offers a gap year programme called Step into the Gap. As part of the 10-month programme, you will be based in either a youth retreat centre, university chaplaincy or a secondary school chaplaincy team gaining new skills, developing as a leader gaining work experience. Accommodation and travel expenses are included. Full time placements include stipends. Find out more information including how apply to at www.cafod.org.uk/gapyear

CAFOD – Climate Change Petition:

This year, the UK will host the largest gathering of world leaders ever to take place on British soil: the 'COP26' climate talks in Glasgow in November. As Prime Minister, Boris Johnson must push world leaders to show the ambition we need to keep temperature rises below the disastrous 1.5-degree threshold. This means that all countries must play their part. With the eyes of the world on the UK, we must urge the Prime Minister to make sure communities hardest hit by the climate emergency are listened to at COP26. Please sign our petition at //cafod.org.uk/reclaim

For those without internet access, petition cards can be ordered from the CAFOD Shop: 0300 011 5680. Thank you.

MISSIO (red boxes) and CAFOD - A HUGE THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT

Both international charities are supported by Pope Francis and help local communities to thrive. CAFOD works with local partners in 165 countries to challenge climate change, especially water poverty, teach new skills, develop good health care, education and justice. Missio works with local Bishops and communities including some countries where Christianity is not encouraged.

These times are hard for everybody, and our parishes are very generous in their prayers and donations to both charities. Please continue to pray for both charities and if possible, donate a little money to continue their good work to improve lives and reduce the impact of Covid-19 pandemic. More information is on their websites.

To donate to Missio - UK Registered charity 1056651

- 1. Direct by online payment at mission.org.uk/redbox
- 2. By text, sending REDBOX 5 or REDBOX 10 to 70085 to donate £5 or £10 (plus standard message rate)
- 3. Send a cheque payable to Missio-Mill Hill and post to Red Box, 23 Eccleston Square, London, SW1V 1NU
- 4. Contact All Saints, Hersham: Angela Hudson on 01932 882717 or 07970 860394.

To donate to CAFOD. UK registered charity 1160384 and company by guarantee **Number 09387398**

- 1. Directly by online payment www.cafod.org.uk/give
- 2. Send a cheque written to CAFOD with your name and address and parish on the back and post to Romero House, 55 Westminster Bridge Road, SE1 7JB.
- 3. By text LENT 5, LENT 10, or LENT 20 to 70460 to give £5, £10 or £20 (plus standard message rate). If you want to donate but not receive any marketing communications, text LENTNOINFO to 70460
- 4. Telephone 0300 303 3030 for donations by telephone.
- 5. Contact All Saints Hersham Parish representative, Marion Dawes. 01932 231317

CCRS - The Catholic Certificate in Religious Studies (CCRS) is beginning again in our Diocese this September. The course is designed for teachers in Catholic schools, for Catechists and for anyone who would like to grow in understanding as they live their Catholic faith. The CCRS offers a very flexible and accessible way of learning, it includes some online content and is made up of eight modules: six core and two specialist modules. Each module involves hours of course time and an assignment.

For more information or to register your place please contact our FormationAdviser Email: jon.harman@abdiocese.org.uk

GRANPARENTS' PILGRIMAGE to the Shrine at West Grinstead: All Grandparents, or honorary grandparents, are invited to join Bishop Richard for our annual pilgrimage to West Grinstead on Wednesday, 7th July, from 10 am.

This is always a lovely event. It is a day to meet other grandparents and share the joys and excitement of this wonderful vocation. There will be opportunities for Mass, Adoration, Reconciliation, Stations of the Cross, Rosary, and a visit to the Secret Chapel (flat shoes advised). Packed lunch needed. Drinks provided.

To book your free place email: Katherine.bergin@abdiocese.org.uk

THE GATWICK DETAINEES Welfare

Group in Crawley have issued the following request.

We would be grateful to receive good quality second-hand clothes as follows:

- Jeans, waist 30", 32", 33", 34"
- Joggers in all sizes
- T-shirts in all sizes but especially Medium
- Summer jackets in all sizes
- Shoes in all sizes (apart from 45)
 People can bring clothes to the office
 (The Orchard, 1-2 Gleneagles Court,
 Brighton Road, Crawley, RH10 6AD)
 during office hours,
 but it is best to email Josie first to fix a
 time in case the staff member has to go
 out: josie@gdwg.org.uk

AND FINALLY, If you know of anybody in difficulty, or anybody who is not receiving news or anybody who is anxious, please, please contact the parish priest who will be only too pleased to do what he can. May the good Lord continue to bless us all during these strange times.

Fr Richard Biggerstaff,

Parish Priest of All Saints Hersham with St Barnabas Molesey.