

ST CHAD AND ALL SAINTS CHURCH (Sedgley) and ST PETER AND THE ENGLISH MARTYRS (Lower Gornal)

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SUNDAY 11th APRIL 2021

DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY

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Sat	10	Apr	5.00pm 6.30pm	Cecilia Rollason RIP Michael Hytch RIP & Frank & Betty Fox	St Peter's St Chad's
Sun	11	Apr	9.00am 10.30am 3.00pm	Grace Quinn RIP Pauline & Sharon Morrow RIP DIVINE MERCY LITURGY	St Peter's St Chad's St Chad's
Mon	12	Apr	10.00am 1.00pm	REQUIEM MASS: Betty Greenaway RIP FUNERAL SERVICE: Wyson Kambale RIP	St Peter's L.G. Crem
Tue	13	Apr	6.00pm	Perpetuity Mass	St Chad's
Wed	14	Apr	10.30am	Cecilia Rollason RIP	St Peter's
Thu	15	Apr		No Mass	
Fri	16	Apr	6.30pm	Sp. Int.	St Peter's
Sat	17	Apr	5.00pm 6.30pm	Cecilia Rollason RIP Perpetuity Mass	St Peter's St Chad's
Sun	18	Apr	9.00am 10.30am	Mary Adams RIP Albert RIP & Jan Wynn 60 years Married at St Chad's.	St Peter's St Chad's

Please Note: Parishioners will receive Communion on exit.

CONFESSIONS: Lower Gornal following Mass on Friday (Confession will take place outside the exit doors).

REQUIEM MASS: BETTY GREENAWAY at St Peter's, Lower Gornal, on 12th April 2021 at 10.00am.

FUNERAL SERVICE: WYSON KAMBALE Gornal Wood Crematorium, on 12th April 2021 at 1.00pm.

FUNERAL SERVICE: WILFRED HOLIAN at Gornal Crem on Tuesday 4th May at 10.20am.

Our prayers go out to all those who have lost a loved one, especially at this time.

We offer our prayers for those who are left to grieve. May the Merciful Heart of Jesus comfort you. We pray for those with Funerals. Please always pray for the Souls of the dead; that they now receive God's loving mercy.

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

And may their souls; and those of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God. Rest in peace. Amen.

'And may the choirs of Angels, come to greet you, May they bring you to paradise'

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS THOSE WITH ANNIVERSARIES IN APRIL

We pray together in merciful charity for all those gone before us recently; and their loved ones who now suffer their loss.

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK AND HOUSEBOUND, ALL OF US IN FACT: With these days of threats to our safety through Covid 19.

We pray to the merciful heart of Jesus for all our sick along with those who look after them. We ask the intercession of Our Lady, St Chad, St Peter and English Martyrs and All Saints for those who suffer; those in hospital and those at home: Baby Harmony Riley, Irene Clarke, Michael Doherty, Henry Parker, Mary Bartlam, Eileen Dwyer, Wendy Grimmett, Florence Cox, Hilda Davis, Mary and Joe Spiteri, Colin Small, Liz Ward, Sharon Jones, Steven Richards, Josephine Cox, Susan Cox, Mary Ward, John Price, Karen Palk, Jisha Philip, Susan Corbett.

ST MICHAEL'S PRAYER

St Michael the Archangel, defend us in this day of battle, be our safeguard against wickedness and snares of the devil. May God rebuke him, we humbly pray; and do thou O! Prince of the heavenly host, through the power of God, thrust into hell satan and all the evil spirits who wander through the world seeking the ruin of souls. Amen +

PARISH ACTIVITIES - ALL ACTIVITIES SUSPENDED

At present (August 28th) we still have not been given clearance to restart any of our activities.

All our normal activities listed below are suspended during these uncertain times.

The Diocese will shortly be giving instructions on the re-opening of the halls; rules will apply, and risk assessments will have to be completed.

SVP would like to thank all those people who have generously donated to the SVP. They also welcome further volunteers.

GIFT AID – The boxes of Gift Aid and Planned Giving envelopes for **both parishes** for the 2021-22 tax year will be available at the **back of both churches** from the weekend of the 27th and 28th March. *At St. Chad's please ask the Church wardens to pass these to you as you enter the church.* The envelopes will not be needed until weekend of 10th/11th April. If your personal details have changed or if you have any queries about the Gift Aid scheme, for St. Peter's **please contact Nick Ford on 07851 681603** or for St. Chad's **please contact Paul Abbiss on 07743 782312**.

ST CHAD'S

MAY WE POLITELY REMIND YOU...

Please be mindful that when you receive the Holy Eucharist and exit Church via the side door, would you kindly step away to either of the car parks. On several occasions your conversations have been heard! Please consider the Priest & the Parishioners who are preparing to receive the Holy Eucharist. Thank You.

May we also remind you that the Grave Yard is a Sacred place. Please refrain from bringing your dogs onto this site. Without going into too much detail, not all dog owners have been responsible 'Dog Owners!' Kindly adhere to these requests please. Thank You.

*St Chad's Church is open and abides by the Bishops' rule of receiving Holy Communion at the very end of Mass (Guidance will be given). Masses will be at the same times to previous time slots: BUT due to the Government's policy of 'distance safety measures'; we will certainly not be able to accommodate similar previous numbers at Mass. Therefore, together with our regular Sunday times of Mass at 9.00am and 10.30am there will be an **additional Vigil Mass at 5.00pm** at St Peter's together with the usual 6.30pm(Sedgley), plus our traditional 10.30 (Sunday) and Tuesday **6pm**; at Sedgley.*

The important things you must know is that the churches have been thoroughly cleaned or rather 'deep cleaned' so that any spot or stain of the Covid 19 virus has been washed away. The virus itself is not a lingering infection on wood, benches, floors etc. There are no holy water stoups and the entrance and exit doors will remain open. There will be Marshals at both churches to guide anyone to seats and to remind them that once they have entered through the Entrance, they must then leave by the exit. You are welcome to bring your own hand gel, but there will be some provided on entrance. Once your space has been vacated, one of the marshals will again wipe the seat with cleanser. As the government insists, we must remain - **2 meters apart** while in church, and you will be guided to appropriate spaces. If the church is full, as it will only accommodate limited numbers because of the distance obligation, please be prepared to go home with the full knowledge that one can for the present time, use a weekday Mass to subsidise for their Sunday commitment. This has been clarified by the Bishop's Conference in England.

Full risk assessments have been carried out which contain considerable detail: This is done and activated for YOUR safety. There is a lot of information on the Archdiocesan site about keeping safe in the pandemic; that's why they recommend that facial coverings are advised. There is a great source of information at the Diocesan website which you may be interested.

***TRACK & TRACE:** It is now a requirement that we keep a list of the names of those who go to church. If someone then picks up the virus; they can notify us, and we notify others who attended that day. Following ONE MONTH, they are destroyed! Please also inform the parish if you have tested positive. The Website (www.rcsedgley.com) Has considerable advice how to keep safe and others too.

THE 'APP' **NHS COVID 19** on your mobile phone is up and running in both churches, you can use the App to mark yourselves in & out! The APP should also act as a recorder of those testing positive and informing you via mobile phone what action to take. The Prime Minister on Friday January 22nd stated that the 'new variant of the virus may be far more dangerous than previous believed; It is a fact that it is 40% more contagious than Covid 19 in its first form. Please KEEP SAFE!

Requirements for Those Attending Church

1. All entering the church will be recommended to use a face covering at all times to minimise the risk of contagion to all present.
2. Alcohol-based hand gel will be available and must be used on entry and departure from the church.
3. Any handkerchiefs or tissues shall be taken off the premises.
4. Personal possessions should be kept to a minimum and should be taken away on leaving the church.
5. Any items found during cleaning shall be disposed of and shall not be deposited in any lost property.
6. While children are unlikely to become very ill, they are capable of both being infected by the virus and of spreading it. Parents or guardians bringing children into a church should not be discouraged from doing so, but it will be important for parents to manage their children appropriately, particularly ensuring they touch as few surfaces as possible for their safety and the safety of others!

May I take this opportunity to thank all of you who expressed Easter joy upon me with cards and gifts. I am especially humbled, at your kindness during the present pandemic. May The Risen Lord continue to bless you all. Fr Paul.

HOLY WEEK CELEBRATIONS:

Sunday 28th March: Palm Sunday Masses:

Vigil:5.00pm at St Peter's, Lower Gornal.

Vigil:6.30pm at St Chad's, Sedgley.

Sunday 09.00 St Peter's.

Sunday 10.30 St Chad's.

EASTER TRIDIUM:

Maundy Thursday: **The Lord's Supper**. 7.00pm St Chad's.

Good Friday: **The Lord's Passion**. 3pm. St. Peter's.

Stations Of The Cross:6.30pm. St Chad's.

Easter Vigil: At St Peter's, Lower Gornal. At 7.00pm.