

# **Bourne and Deeping Parish Newsletter**

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## **Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time - Year A, 21st June 2020**

**Fr Paul's Mass Intentions for the coming Week (Masses will be celebrated privately on behalf of the Parish)**

**Saturday 20th June Evening Vigil Mass of Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time 6:00pm People of the Parish**  
**Sunday 21st June Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time 09.30am Day For Life, Intention: Respect for Human Life from conception to natural death**  
**Monday 22nd June St Thomas More and St John Fisher (Feast) 9.30am Philippa Catherine Holmes RIP**  
**Tuesday 23rd June Feria 9.30am Priest's Intention**  
**Wednesday 24th June The Nativity of St John the Baptist (Solemnity) 9.30am Bishop Patrick and the Diocese of Nottingham**  
**Thursday 25th June Feria 9.30am Headley Alan Mutton RIP**  
**2.00pm Graveside burial of Headley Alan Mutton RIP**  
**Friday 26th June St Josemaria Escriva, priest 7.30am Private Intention**  
**Saturday 27th June The Blessed Virgin Mary (Memorial) 9.30am Protection of the Unborn**  
**Saturday Evening Vigil Mass of Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time 6:00pm People of the Parish**  
**Sunday 28th June Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time 09.30am The Sick and the Suffering**

**Fr Paul is available for socially distanced confessions, by appointment only. Please contact him on the number above.**

**Day for Life** is the day in the Church's year dedicated to raising awareness about the meaning and value of human life at every stage and in every condition. The Church teaches that life is to be nurtured from conception to natural death. This year's Day for Life is celebrated on 21 June in England and Wales. Read more on our website [dayforlife.org](http://dayforlife.org)

'Moses' invitation rings out loud and clear: "See, I have set before you this day life and good, death and evil. ... I have set before you life and death, blessing and curse; therefore choose life, that you and your descendants may live" (Dt 30:15, 19).' Evangelium Vitae, 28

The theme for Day for Life 2020 is Choose Life, with a particular focus on protecting mothers and unborn children, and bringing hope and healing after abortion.

**For pregnancy confidential counselling**, helpline: 0808 802 5433 or text Pregnancy Matters on: 07860 077 339. Online and Text-to-Talk services can also be found via the Life website.

**Abortion Recovery Care and Helpline (ARCH)** provides support and counselling for women, men and families struggling after abortion. We have a UK wide Helpline in operation every evening of the year as well as from 9-5 Monday to Friday. We offer free one-to-one counselling face-to-face, by phone or secure video.

Helpline – 0345 603 8501

(free from most landlines and contract phones)

Email – [info@archtrust.org.uk](mailto:info@archtrust.org.uk)

Website – [www.archtrust.org.uk](http://www.archtrust.org.uk)

**Please pray for** the repose of the soul of Paul Petruzzello, a former parishioner, who died recently of Covid19 at St Thomas's Hospital, London. May he rest in peace.

### **Parish Facebook Group (Private)**

The parish now has a Closed Facebook Group just for members of our parish. If you would like to join it then email Tony Miles on: [tony\\_miles@me.com](mailto:tony_miles@me.com)

### **Current situation in Bourne and Deeping re: the Opening of Churches for Private Prayer**

I am sure you are aware that the government gave permission for churches to be open for private prayer from last Monday 15<sup>th</sup>. The regulations issued by the government and our diocese for the safe opening of our churches are very detailed and demanding. As of Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> only 4 churches in our diocese had managed to open which included the cathedral. Only a handful of others are scheduled to open over the next week or so. Indeed some parishes have decided that they will not be able to comply with these regulations especially regarding stewarding and have decided not to open.

Members of our PPC have had two Zoom meetings on this subject and three of us have had a socially distanced meeting in one of our churches. Other meetings have been planned for the next week. For the time being we will only be able to open one church in our parish and we have decided that it will be at Deeping. This is mainly because the church is much bigger than Bourne and when we eventually open for Mass it will accommodate many more parishioners especially if we are able to make the adjacent meeting room available. Our plan is to open the church at Deeping for private prayer on Wednesdays between 11:00am and 1:00pm. To be realistic this is not going to happen before early July.

Lots of hard work is necessary before we will be able to open Our Lady's at Deeping and there are lots of regulatory hurdles to get over before the diocese will allow us to open. One of our main challenges, as it is for most parishes, is that we will need several teams of stewards to staff the prayer sessions in the church. There has to be two stewards on duty at each prayer session ensuring social distancing, hand sanitizing etc... Thankfully some people have come forward to offer their services. To become a steward one needs to be under seventy years old and at least 18. Also the steward must not belong to one of the vulnerable groups regarding health issues. If you are able to fulfil these requirements then please contact Fr Paul and he will arrange to forward to you the appropriate documentation from the diocese. Those who are suited to become stewards will be expected to attend a training session led by Fr Paul and two other members of the PPC. I imagine that our churches will have stewarding for the foreseeable future and if we want our churches open for Sunday Mass we will need a committed team of stewards. Without stewards our churches will remain closed.

Please pray for this major undertaking so that we can begin to open our churches in the near future. We will open our church at Bourne as soon as it is reasonably possible but we can't say when that will be. Please pray for the success of this most important undertaking.

You are all in my thoughts and prayers, God bless you, Fr Paul

**Virtual Rosary on Zoom.** The group meets at 7pm each Tuesday. **The time has reverted back to the original 7pm as changing it to 5pm did not seem to encourage anyone further.** We aim to continue each Tuesday evening to pray together during lockdown and whilst social distancing is necessary. We welcome everyone and would encourage you to take part. If you are interested please send your email address to Tony Miles at [tony\\_miles@me.com](mailto:tony_miles@me.com)

If anyone wants Fr Paul to pray for sick friends or relatives or to remember them at Mass please send him their name and any relevant details.

**We remember our sick at this time:** Margaret Kline, Chris, Adrian Howarth, Gregory Elliott, Verity Elliott, Mr Thomas, Sylvia Fleming, Mandy Azzopardi, Linda Atkinson, Margaret Hazeldine, Matthew Gallagher, James, Peter McKenzie, Tony Miles, Maria Welton, Fr Peter Harvey, Grace Kendrick.

**Of course we remember in our prayers all those who are sick as a result of the virus.**

If you would like someone else's name included in the sick list and have received their permission then email Fr Paul with their details.

**Finances: No current information**

**Outside The City Release:** Due to popular demand, this very moving and inspirational film, which was shown in cinemas around the country, about the lives of the monks at Mount St Bernard Abbey, will be released on 8th June on iTunes, Amazon, Google Play, and DVD. To view trailer or pre-order your DVD (£12) visit: [www.vivaverve.com/film/outside-the-city](http://www.vivaverve.com/film/outside-the-city)

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### **Fatima Morning Offering**

O Jesus, through the Immaculate Heart of Mary, I offer You my prayers, works, joys and sufferings, all that this day may bring, be they good or bad: for the love of God, for the conversion of sinners, and in reparation for all the sins committed against the Sacred Heart of Jesus and the Immaculate Heart of Mary. **Amen**

## Prayer to keep the Presence of God

Lord, God Almighty, you have brought us safely to the beginning of this day. Defend us today by your mighty power, so that we may not fall into any sin, and that all our words may so proceed and all our thoughts and actions be so directed as to be always just in your sight. Through Christ our Lord. **Amen**

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## Prayer for aid from our Blessed Mother

We fly to your patronage, O holy Mother of God. Despise not our petitions in our necessities, but deliver us from all dangers, O glorious and ever-blessed Virgin Mary. **Amen**

## An Act of Spiritual Communion

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 at this moment 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.**

## Extracts taken from a Book by Mother Teresa, St Teresa of Calcutta

Further Meditations from St Teresa of Calcutta's Book *Thirsting for God*

June 19th

We have nothing to fear, not even the devil. But one virtue the devil fears most is humility. He is terrified more by humility than deep faith because humility is the virtue that makes us like Jesus. Jesus asked us to learn from him because, he said, "I am meek and humble of heart." We should try to learn (*humility*) from Jesus himself rather than relying on books.....

June 22nd

Criticism is nothing less than dressed up pride. It eats up all the love of God. A truly generous soul must never stoop to criticism. As a rule, people who criticize never do it openly, but go about doing it in a whisper. Refrain from prejudice, which means to set your mind against somebody. It is very sad when it becomes part of our lives.

June 24th

Encourage true devotion to the Sacred Heart and the family rosary. Encourage the Catholic families to be consecrated to the Sacred Heart and the Immaculate Heart of Mary. See that they have a holy picture, however small, in their homes. Strive to keep families together, remembering the saying, “The family that prays together, stays together.” There are many broken homes, but our work is to bring Jesus to the poor and to show them how to bring everything to him in prayer.

### **Mother Teresa’s Prayer for Priests**

Mary, Mother of Jesus,  
throw your mantle of purity over our priests.  
Protect them, guide them, and keep them in your heart.  
Be a Mother to them, especially in times of discouragement and loneliness.  
Love them and keep them belonging completely to Jesus.  
Like Jesus, they, too, are your sons, so keep their hearts pure and virginal.  
Keep their minds filled with Jesus, and put Jesus always on their lips,  
so that he is the one they offer to sinner and to all they meet.  
Mary, Mother of Jesus, be their Mother, loving them and bringing them joy.  
Take special care of sick and dying priests, and the ones most tempted.

Remember how they spent their youth and old age, their entire lives serving and giving all to Jesus.

Mary, bless them and keep a special place for them in your heart.

Give them a piece of your heart, so beautiful and pure and immaculate, so full of love and humility, so that they, too, can grow in the likeness of Christ.

Dear Mary, make them humble like you, and holy like Jesus. **Amen**

## **Prayer for God's Protection against Covid -19 virus**

Lord, you promised: "If my people humble themselves, pray, seek me and turn from their wicked ways, I will hear and forgive their sins and restore them."

(2 Chronicles 7:14)

Most Holy Trinity, in Jesus, the Only Begotten Son, You revealed Yourself as the fount of life and unfathomable source of Divine Mercy, who listens to Your People. We the people of England, Wales, Scotland, Ireland, and our Isles, ask you to heed us amid this global pandemic of the Coronavirus that we struggle to bear.

Father God, we entrust ourselves into your Divine Mercy, through Our Lady, Mother of Mercy and Her Sorrowful and Immaculate Heart, through St. Michael and the Archangels, St. Joseph, and all our nations' Saints and Martyrs.

Merciful Jesus, hold out Your Healing Hand to rescue and safeguard us from this disease, and turn our nations and our souls to You as our Saviour.

We ask this for our sick, elderly and vulnerable, for families with young children, for our destitute and those suffering poor mental health.

Our Nations have forgotten You and sinned against You. We confess our sins with the Prophet Daniel: "Lord, we have sinned against you, we have acted wickedly, betrayed your commandments and turned from them. Integrity is yours; ours the look of shame because of the sins we carry. Listen to us, open Your eyes and see our plight. We do not rely on our own works but on Your mercy as we commend our humble plea to you. Lord, listen, forgive and act! For your own sake do not delay, because we, Your people, bear your name.

God Our Father, all forgiving and gentle, we implore your mercy, intervention and healing. Through JESUS CHRIST our Lord in the power of the Most Precious Blood.

## Live streamed Masses

**The Private Chapel of the Bishop of Nottingham, Bishop's House, Nottingham.  
Bishop Patrick McKinney & Father Jonathan Rose  
Previous liturgies available to view. Liturgy times change weekly.**

**<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCaf7upUMsn3Kl8GD79FotjQ>**

The Cathedral of St Barnabas, Nottingham  
**Schedule for this Weekend  
Saturday -10am Morning Mass  
Sunday -10 am Mass**

**Weekday Masses (not available at time of printing) will be scheduled on the Cathedral website.**

**Mass** is available daily at 12 noon and at other times from the **Reconciliation Chapel in Walsingham.-**  
**<https://www.walsingham.org.uk/livestream>** Their youtube channel is also available and is more reliable when there are a high volume of users.

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live streamed Masses schedule you will get a timetable of many Masses from Great Britain and the Republic of Ireland.**