

## SAINT EDMUND'S PARISH – CALNE

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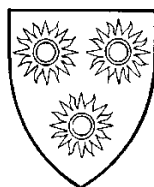
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### FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME – 7 FEBRUARY 2021

**Church Cleaning: Special rota on website**

**Divine Office: Week 1**

SATURDAY Eve of the FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

**Mass at 6 pm.**

SUNDAY FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

**Mass at 11 am.**

THURSDAY Weekday in Ordinary Time

**Mass at 10 am.**

SATURDAY Eve of the SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

**Mass at 6 pm.**

Confessions by arrangement with Fr Vincent.

### A MESSAGE FROM FR VINCENT

Although during this present lockdown places of worship can still open for services, I wish to remind you that the obligation to attend Mass is still suspended. Bishop Declan has written to priests informing them that they can close churches and cease the public celebration of Masses if they are unable to ensure that government and diocesan health and safety guidance can be followed.

Here at Saint Edmund's we can continue with public celebration of Masses for as long as we have sufficient stewards and cleaners. They must follow the guidance which has previously been issued to them.

The national guidance makes clear that we must have a particular focus on protecting people who are clinically vulnerable and more likely to develop severe illness, including people who are aged 60 or older, regardless of medical conditions, and that the communal nature of churches makes them places that are particularly vulnerable to the spread of coronavirus (COVID-19). Those in the clinically extremely vulnerable groups should be shielding at home at the present time.

If you are on the rota as a volunteer steward or cleaner and because of the high prevalence of coronavirus and the national restrictions choose not to attend Mass at the present time, please let Teresa Quinn know and your name will be removed from the rota.

If you are choosing to continue attending Mass you must follow the national guidance which includes the wearing of a face covering, (unless exempt), maintaining social distancing and not mingling with anyone outside of your household or support bubble, either inside or outside the church. If you have any symptoms of COVID-19, or are self-isolating, you must not attend the church.

**Parishioners are asked to pre-book a place for each Mass they plan to attend by email or telephone to Christine Martin at [calnemass@btinternet.com](mailto:calnemass@btinternet.com) or 01249 814086.**

**NHS COVID-19 APP** is now available. If you are using this App the unique QR code for the church is now on display on the windows by the main doors. By using the NHS Covid-19 App you can use your smartphone to scan this QR code to record that you have visited the church.

**CALNE FOOD BANK** has moved to 4A Mill Street (previously Marden Cafe), Calne, SN11 8DP. Contact via website [www.calnefoodbank.co.uk](http://www.calnefoodbank.co.uk), phone 07752 213029, or email [calnefoodbank@gmail.com](mailto:calnefoodbank@gmail.com).

**WELCOME THE STRANGER:** You are invited to join Bishop Mark O'Toole and Bishop Declan Lang (via Zoom) for an evening of prayer and reflection celebrating the Feast of St Josephine Bakhita on 8 February, between 5 and 6.30 pm, on the issues facing refugees, migrants and those affected by modern slavery. Speakers include Nick Hanrahan (Jesuit Refugee Service) and Caroline Virgo (Clewley initiative). Email [caritas@prcdtr.org.uk](mailto:caritas@prcdtr.org.uk) to register.

**SCRIPTURE:** The Catholic Bishops' Conference and the Bible Society are working together to nurture deeper Catholic engagement with the Scriptures. They have launched a website called 'The God who speaks' with many useful resources and study aids: [www.godwhospeaks.uk](http://www.godwhospeaks.uk).

**GLOBAL HEALING:** During Lent, the Global Catholic Climate Movement invites you to 'Global Healing' in response to Pope Francis' call to care more deeply for Our Common Home! On six Thursdays, from 18 Feb to 25 March between 7.30 pm and 8.30 pm there will be film sessions with reflection, guest speakers that include Graham Gordon, Head of Public Policy, CAFOD, and discussion. To register follow this link: <https://zoom.us/join/zoom/register/tJevcOuuqzsvEtMBwz2hxBzhhvwy0hegyoEb> or alternatively email [jane@catholicclimatemovement.global](mailto:jane@catholicclimatemovement.global).

**DIOCESAN HOLY LAND PILGRIMAGE:** Expressions of interest in this popular pilgrimage from 11 to 19 October should now be made to Sarah Adams at [adult.education@cliftondiocese.com](mailto:adult.education@cliftondiocese.com). Initial estimated cost is £1,959 per person (based on two people sharing), further details at <https://cliftondiocese.com/news/>.

**PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS** all who are unwell or housebound, especially those members of our parish, including Florence Bampton, Kevin Bewley, Teresa Bowyer, Christopher & Clifford Browne and family, Teresa Collar, Kathleen Drury, Margaret Heard, Teresa Hickling, Michael McNiff, Maggie Murray, Fr Richard Northey, Mary O'Brian, Margaret O'Dea, Eileen Tyler and Elizabeth Wilkins. Please inform Fr Vincent if you know a parishioner is unwell or housebound.