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**In Residence:** Fr Stephen Reilly

**Deacon:** Rev Bill McMillan

## SUNDAY 7<sup>th</sup> JUNE 2020: THE MOST HOLY TRINITY

### SERVICES AVAILABLE ON-LINE THIS WEEK: HOLY MASS DAILY AT 12 NOON

#### Sunday 7<sup>th</sup>

First Reading: Ex. 34: 4-6,8-9  
Response to Psalm: *To you glory and praise for evermore*  
Second Reading: 2 Cor 13: 11-13  
Gospel: John 3: 16-18

Monday 8 <sup>th</sup>	Tuesday 9 <sup>th</sup>
First Reading: 1 Kings 17:1-6 Response to the Psalm: <i>Our help is in the name of the Lord, who made heaven and earth</i> Gospel: Mt 5: 1-12	First Reading: Col. 1:24-29 Response to the Psalm: <i>You are my inheritance, O Lord.</i> Gospel: Mk 12: 13-17
Wednesday 10 <sup>th</sup>	Thursday 11 <sup>th</sup>
First Reading: 1 Kings 18:20-39 Response to the Psalm: <i>Save me Lord, I take refuge in you.</i> Gospel: Mt 5: 17-19	First Reading: Acts 11: 21-26, 13: 1-3 Response to the Psalm: <i>The Lord has shown his salvation to the nations</i> Gospel: Mt 5: 20-26
Friday 12 <sup>th</sup>	Saturday 13 <sup>th</sup>
First Reading: 1 Kings 19: 9,11-16 Response to the Psalm: <i>It is your face, O Lord, that I seek.</i> Gospel: Mt 5: 27-32	First Reading: 1 Kings 19: 19-21 Response to the Psalm: <i>You are my inheritance, O Lord.</i> Gospel: Mt 5: 33-37

## Please pray for the following:

SICK: Linda Sutherland, Agnes Welsh, David Farrell

Recently Dead: Patrick Connelly ; Jean Martin

Anniversary: Helen Ward; Derek Green; Jonathon Doherty; James Lynagh; Mary Donnelly

### EMBRACING THE LORD

Pope Francis, in his extraordinary *Urbi et Orbi Blessing* given at the door of a deserted St Peter's Basilica on 27<sup>th</sup> March, offered these words of hope: *"In the midst of isolation when we are suffering from a lack of tenderness and chances to meet up, and we experience the loss of so many things, let us once again listen to the proclamation that saves us: he is risen and is living by our side. The Lord asks us from his cross to rediscover the life that awaits us, to look towards those who look to us, to strengthen, recognize and foster the grace that lives within us. ... Embracing the Lord in order to embrace hope: that is the strength of faith, which frees us from fear and gives us hope."*

As we near the day when we can visit the church once again, let us continue to be strong in faith, free from fear and filled with hope.

### WHEN CAN WE RETURN TO CHURCH?

In a [Pastoral Letter](#), the Bishops have expressed their closeness to those who have been grieving or unwell or anxious during these past months. They assure us that the guidance they have now given to parishes is designed to make churches safe spaces which can open up gradually, in alignment with the phases set out by the Scottish Government.

For now, all Churches remain closed and there is a continuing dispensation from the obligation to attend Sunday Mass.

In *Phase 2*, the Church will open for limited times of private prayer on specified days. (Details to follow.) There will be no public Mass until *Phase 3*.

### WHAT SAFETY MEASURES WILL BE IN PLACE?

You are asked to consider your own health before visiting the church. If you are in a vulnerable group or shielding, you should NOT go out to church.

- You should arrive early and you may need to be patient as people enter the church.
  - You must wear a face-covering.
  - You must sanitise your hands when you enter and before you leave (hand-gel will be available).
  - You must observe the 2m distance from others.
  - You must follow the directions of stewards as you enter, go to designated rows of seats and leave.
  - The toilets in the church will NOT be in operation until further notice.
  - No leaflets or booklets will be available.
  - The church will be sanitised after each opening.
- These measures are designed to keep us all safe.*

### HOW WILL MASS BE DIFFERENT?

When Mass is able to be celebrated, the normal liturgy will be followed as far as possible. However, it is likely that there will be no choral singing, no processions and no one on the sanctuary apart from the Celebrant. We will all have to adjust to these strange circumstances and new 'rules'. As we get nearer to *Phase 3*, we shall provide more details.

### WHAT CAN BE DONE NOW?

A small team have been making early preparations to source cleaning material, sanitising gel etc. We are preparing the signage needed for a one-way system in and out of church. Our most immediate task is to recruit enough volunteers as stewards.

### CAN WE FIND ENOUGH VOLUNTEERS TO RE-OPEN?

We are most grateful to all those who have volunteered so far, *but we will need more volunteers before we are allowed to re-open*. We want to have sufficient numbers to be able to assign volunteers to duty rotas sparingly. If you are over 70, or in poor health, please do not sign up. Details of an online briefing session for volunteers will be emailed to volunteers shortly.

- [Sign-up via our website](#) or Facebook page.
- Email: [stcolumbkille@rcdom.org.uk](mailto:stcolumbkille@rcdom.org.uk)
- We need your name and contact details.

### HOW CAN I HELP NOW?

[Read the various guidance documents that have been provided by the Bishops.](#)

Pass on the information in this bulletin by phone or by printing a copy and passing it on to others.

If you can, please contribute towards the ongoing costs of cleaning materials and sanitising gel.

### THANK YOU FOR YOUR HELP SO FAR

Thanks to all who have made their regular offertory contribution to the parish during these difficult times. We encourage more parishioners to make their weekly donations by **Standing Order** to the

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