

St. George & St. Teresa
Catholic Church
Dorridge

**THIRTY THIRD SUNDAY IN
ORDINARY TIME
15th November 2020**



THIRTY THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME: You have been faithful in small things; come and join in your master's happiness.

NATIONAL LOCKDOWN:

Sadly, there will be no public Masses for four weeks, no baptisms or weddings. For funerals we are limited to 30 and priority is given to family and close friends of the deceased. We are not allowed to distribute communion after Masses during lockdown.

The church will be open for private prayer, the blessed sacrament will be exposed during this time:

Wednesday – from 9am to 9:50am

Friday - from 10am to 11am

We are happy to open at other times if sufficient number of people request this and stewards are able to volunteer.

Thanks to those who have volunteered for stewarding. If you can help, please email stgeorge-stteresa.dorridge@rcaob.org.uk with your name, telephone number and availability.

NATIONAL LOCKDOWN STATEMENT from Cardinal Vincent and Archbishop Malcolm McMahon, writing on behalf of all the Bishops in England can be found on our Parish Website.

Parishioners are encouraged to join in the national moment of prayer at 6.00pm each day as we prepare for a special day of prayer on Saturday 21st November, the Feast of the Presentation of Our Lady and the eve of Christ the King.

REFLECTION DURING LOCKDOWN: Responding to the Psalms is a project of the Spirituality Committee of the Bishops Conference of England and Wales. See parish website for details. A November Novena for the Holy Souls can also be found on the website.

LIVE-STREAMING AT ST GEORGE AND ST TERESA

7.15am Office of Readings

7.30am Morning Prayer

LIVE STREAMING: Thank you for your comments on the new system. Fr Rob has decided to delay the switch until after lockdown so we will continue to stream Mass via MCN Media.

NATIONAL YOUTH SUNDAY 22nd Nov is celebrated next Sunday on the Solemnity of Christ the King. Please find a video link for an interactive video for families to watch and pray together at home from the National Youth Sunday website <https://youtu.be/FIonXWKmnRA>

A NEW PARISH WEBSITE is under construction and we would welcome suggestions and feedback. The new website can be viewed at www.catholicchurchdorrige.uk. Please email comments to the Parish. Note that this website is only a trial version and for up to date information on Mass times and what is happening in the Parish please access the existing website.

BLESSING OF GRAVES – NOVEMBER. Due to Covid Restrictions the blessing of graves will not take place this year. However, if you wish to visit your loved ones graves Mgr McHugh has prepared a short prayer service that can be used. This can be downloaded from the Parish Website.

2019-20 GIFT AID/TAX CERTIFICATES - due to the impact of Covid-19 on working arrangements at the Diocesan office, the individual certificates of Gift Aided donations will not be posted to you this year. If any parishioner would like confirmation of their gift aided donations for the 2019-20 tax year, then please contact Gift Aid co-ordinators, Joan & Tony Taylor, on tony.joan.taylor@gmail.com.

PUBLICATION OF THE IICSA REPORT: Earlier this week saw the release of an Independent National Report on the strengths and weaknesses of the Catholic Church in England and Wales in relation to child sexual abuse. The report can be found at <https://www.iicsa.org.uk/publications/investigation/roman-catholic-church> and the statement in response from The Catholic Bishop' Conference of England Wales is available at <https://www.birminghamdiocese.org.uk/news/statement-on-the-publication-of-the-iicsa-report>

JOB VACANCY: The Archdiocese of Birmingham wishes to appoint a Chief Operating Officer. If you would like to receive an Information Pack for this role with details on how to apply, please send an expression of interest and (optional but appreciated) a CV or professional profile in confidence to our consultant, Jenny Hills at executive@harrishill.co.uk. Further details can be found on the diocesan website <https://www.birminghamdiocese.org.uk/FAQs/chief-operating-office-aob>

BETHANY FOOD BANK: Instead of an advent calendar filled with chocolate goodies for you, try this advent calendar with a difference! Each day, fill a box with good things for others who need your help this Christmas. During the month of November, help us to make sure that local food banks are well stocked for Christmas, and that we have lots of supplies to make sure that local families and individuals in need are looked after this Christmas too! See the parish website for details and to download the advent calendar.

SACRED HEART MESSENGER: If you wish to continue receiving the magazine in 2021, please complete the enclosed envelope for orders and return to the presbytery.

ST GEORGE AND ST TERESA SCHOOL VIRTUAL OPEN MORNING: As we are unable to hold our normal Open Mornings for potential new pupils, we have made a wonderful video for prospective parents who have children due to start Nursery or Reception Class in Sept 2021. <https://www.stgandt.solihull.sch.uk/community-information/virtual-open-morning-video>

ST GEORGE AND ST TERESA PTA: Are you handy with a needle and thread and got some time to spare? The St George and St Teresa school PTA have lots of stained/worn uniform that we would like to upcycle and create some nice crafts to sell for the PTA. Ideas so far include hair ties, notebook covers, bookmarks, lavender owls and G&T dragons. If you'd like to get involved please contact Sarah Hainie via ptachairstgnt@gmail.com or contact the school office.

NEW PARISH EMAIL ADDRESS: Please note that the parish has a new email address – stgeorge-stteresa.dorrige@rcaob.org.uk

PARISH BULLETIN: If any parishioners would like to receive the bulletin by email please contact the parish at stgeorge-stteresa.dorrige@rcaob.org.uk requesting a copy. Bulletins, current and historic, can also be found on the Parish Website <http://www.catholicchurch.dorrige.uk/bulletins/>

SVP: If any parishioners face difficulties and need any help during the Coronavirus situation, and possible self-isolation, please contact the SVP. We seem to have a problem with the mobile phone that we use for this but do have an email address svpstgt@btinternet.com

PARISH CENTRE BOOKINGS			
Sun 15th	Sorting donations for Food Bank	Hall	11.30 – 12.30
Fri 20 th	AA	Hall	19.30 – 22.00
<i>It is important that users of the Parish Centre arrange bookings (and payments for non-Parish Events) through Oksana Zurak 07967-846 963 or oksanazurak@gmail.com</i>			



Your Prayers are asked

For those who are Sick: Dorothy Perkins, Pam Goodwin, Margaret Wright, Sean and Margaret Sullivan, Michael and Brenda Grosvenor, Simon Niblett, Tony Burdett, Sheila Fildes. *Let us also remember those who care for them.*

For those Anniversaries which occur in the last 20 years: Amy Guice, John Kelly, Breda Hourihane.

Recently Deceased: David Maddocks, Marielyn Joy Smythe – Funeral Mass Mon 23rd Nov at 10.30am

OFFERTORY: 8.11.20

Envelopes £130

Plate £

Average weekly offering via standing order and online banking - £570