



ST ANSELM'S NEWSLETTER

21 June 2020
12th Sunday of the Year

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NOTE: In case you are admitted to hospital, in light of data protection please indicate on entering hospital that your details are to be passed to the RC Chaplain. State that you would like the RC Chaplain to visit you.

NEXT SUNDAY

Feast of St Peter and Paul:
Acts 12:1-11;
2 Timothy 4:6-8, 17-18 and
Mathew 16:13-19

GIFT AID: If you are a UK taxpayer please consider GIFT AIDING your donation. The parish can reclaim 25p for every £1 donated. To join the Gift Aid scheme, or if you want an annual box of offertory envelopes, please give contact details to Finance Administrator in Parish Office

PLANNING TO GET MARRIED IN THIS COUNTRY OR ABROAD, You Must Make

Contact with **Fr George Thayriam S.J.** 6 Months before the Date for Your Wedding

COUNSELLING IN ST ANSELMS:

Fr Thayriam is available to provide a counselling service in our parish. If you would like to meet with him please contact the Rectory or email thayriam123@gmail.com or phone 0208 574 3300 / 07405438543

MASS INTENTIONS: 21-28 JUNE

Saturday	Private Mass	Felicidade Noronha RIP
Sunday 10 a.m.	Private Mass	Peter and Pauline Varghese RIP
Monday 10 a.m.	Private Mass	People of the Parish
Tuesday 10 a.m.	Private Funeral Mass	Michael James Collins RIP Byron and Bernadette Paul RIP
Wednesday 10 a.m.	Private Mass	Hope for Southall Street Homeless
Thursday 10 a.m.	Private Funeral Mass	For those who work in the National Health Service
Friday 10 a.m.	Private Mass	Samuel Fernandes RIP, Velly Michael Souza RIP
Saturday 10 a.m.	Private Mass	Special Intention
Sunday 10 a.m.	Private Mass	People of the Parish

NOTICES

Message from Father Gerard: As soon as flights to India resume Father Tharyriam will be leaving us to return to India, though if passenger flights to India have not begun by that stage he will be with us a little longer. . We wish him well as he returns home and will keep him in our prayers.

I also shall be saying farewell to St Anselm's later on this summer

Father Jovito F. D'Souza, SJ has been appointed Parish Priest by the Jesuit Provincial. He has been serving as Vocations Promoter for the Society of Jesus in the Jesuit Province in Goa and Director of Xavier Retreat House. Fr Jovito spent two weeks visiting the parish last November. He will arrive later this summer though we cannot be sure when because of present travel restrictions. I will be with him for a month after his arrival in the parish and then he will take over as Parish Priest.

Fr Jovito will be assisted by Father Eddy Bermingham, SJ who has worked in Guyana and Trinidad over the years. He now lives in St Ignatius Parish Stamford Hill and has helped to develop a new MA in Theology, Ecology and Ethics at the London Jesuit Centre

Contacting Hospital Chaplain

Sunday - Friday 8:00am - 4:00pm | 020 8967 5130 | Ealing Hospital
020 8869 2113 | Northwick Park, St Mark's & Central Middx Hospitals

Kindly leave a voicemail including patient's name, religion and the ward if known.

Alternatively, request a Staff to contact a chaplain or e-mail: LNWH-tr.chaplaincy@nhs.net

'Going to Hospital' The Hospital Chaplain used to have access to the list of patients on a ward. That is no longer the case and either the person themselves or family or friends must let the Chaplain know if you would like a visit or Communion.

Black Lives Matter And The Death Of George Floyd: Pope Francis said this recently: "My friends, we cannot tolerate or turn a blind eye to racism and exclusion in any form and yet claim to defend the sacredness of every human life." T

The Catholic Bishops Conference of England and Wales said this recently:

"We stand in solidarity with our sisters and brothers in the USA as they challenge the evil of racism and the brutal killing of George Floyd. As the US Bishops made clear: 'we cannot turn a blind eye to these atrocities and yet still try to profess to respect every human life. We serve a God of love, mercy, and justice.' Systemic racism is embedded in our own society. The disproportionate harm suffered by Black and Minority Ethnic people throughout the

ARE YOU OR SOMEONE YOU KNOW LIVING WITH DOMESTIC

ABUSE? You have a right to be free and safe. For confidential advice and support call: 08082000247. freephone 24 Hour National Domestic Violence Helpline, run in partnership between Women's Aid and Refuge.

FOR DIOCESAN JOB VACANCIES

visit <https://rcdow.org.uk/diocese/jobs/> where you can view all current vacancies. New jobs are regularly added to the site as they arise.

COVID-19 pandemic has highlighted profound inequalities, marginalisation and injustice here in the UK.....As Catholics we recognise that racism is an evil which must be opposed; we all have a responsibility for actively promoting racial justice. Whenever we ignore racism or dismiss Black and Minority Ethnic people's experience of it, we are complicit in violations of human dignity. We pray for God's help to overcome racism in all its forms and that we might protect everyone who suffers its consequences. We are all made in God's image."

Mrs Yogi Sutton, Chair of Catholic Association of Racial Justice , has commented on the death of George Floyd... 'I am appalled that year after year, brutality on our fellow beings still occurs because of racism. The latest death of Mr Floyd will also simply become yet another statistic. There will be widespread protests and then Silence Nothing will change. I do not condone violence, but peaceful protests are very important. How else are people to show solidarity. However, history shows, the protests are not sufficient means to bring about change.

I want to call on people around the world, especially Catholics because we believe and profess that we are ALL made in the image and likeness of our Creator, that we are all Sisters and Brothers in Christ, to speak up for justice by acknowledging racism in all its forms. Any addict will tell you that there is no cure until one accepts that one is an addict. In the same way, we must acknowledge that we are racist. If and when we genuinely understand and accept this, then we will face the road to solutions.

This is what I would pray for: I am generally one who prefers the circular movement for change, asking everyone to do his/her bit, this time I would start at the top and implore Governments to take a stand. Not to speak of 'zero intolerance of racism' but to practice the same. No Minister should be allowed to stay in his/her position should they make any racist statement or behave in any racist manner. Coming from the top in every organisation in the media, in business, in education, in the workplace, anywhere and everywhere. If the punishment was the same universally, for all, immediate and transparent, the message would soon get through and be learnt. No one would put a hand in the same fire after being burnt.

Anti racist training should become part of every profession, administration, everywhere. It should be part of the curriculum in schools. We should learn how to respect, accept and live with and along side one another in joyful, peaceful harmony.'

Fr Victor Darlington, Parish Priest of Sacred Heart Parish, Camberwell, recorded a pastoral response reflecting on the evil and injustice of racism. The video is available at <https://youtu.be/tekaYoKdmY0>

Re-Opening The Church For Individual Prayer We have now been given permission from the government to open our church for 'individual' prayer (so no Mass, recitation of the Rosary or any other group service or prayer). This has been made possible under very strict guidelines. We have made suitable preparations to welcome people into the church and keep them safe.

Please follow the guidance and instructions of the Stewards at all times. They are acting on behalf of the Parish Priest

As you enter the church, please sanitize your hands and while in the church do NOT touch any statues. You may light candles, but please take care especially ensuring your hands are not wet with sanitizer gel. Please only use candles provided by the Church. Do not bring your own candles from outside.

Please follow the one-way system and maintain the social distance of 2 metres, while in the church and use only those benches that are not cordoned off. You are also advised to wear a face mask.

Please under no circumstances set foot on the Sanctuary or enter the Blessed Sacrament Chapel or the Chapel of Our Lady.

The Church will be open every day Monday to Sunday from 10a.m. – 12 Noon. This is for private prayer only. Father Thayriam or Fr Gerard will be in the Baptistry every day during the time when the church is open if anyone wants a socialdistanced confession or a chat. We will continue broadcasting the Mass each morning and will have Evening Prayer as we have been doing.

Please also note that:

* Only 20 people will be allowed into the Church at any one time and we ask that you do not stay for a long time so as to allow others the opportunity to enter.

* The toilets will not be open to the public at this time.

* The Repository, the Rectory and the Parish Office and the Sacristy will remain closed.

Ushers And Cleaners: The Diocese has said that we need three people present whenever the Church is open to act as stewards. – One at the entrance, one at the exit, and one person in the main body of the Church.

It is a government requirement that these volunteers have been deemed fit for work, and are not classed as clinically vulnerable, self-isolating, or shielding. People must be under the age of seventy years.

We also need teams of people to clean the Church each evening. We will only be able to open the Church when we have teams present for stewarding, and only on those days when we can guarantee that there will be people to clean the church each evening. Initially we hope to open the Church for 2 hours each day. Thank you to all those who have already volunteered their services.

Father Gerard writes: Children's Liturgy:

To help us during this time when the church is closed, a new Sunday Liturgy for families with young children has been created by Al and Pearl Johnson. They are parents of two young boys in our parish. I do very warmly recommend it to you. There will be a short children's liturgy every Sunday focussing on the key message of the Gospel Reading to encourage the children of our parish to participate more fully in the Eucharistic celebration. We hope that it will be a valuable time of prayer and formation for families. It will be posted on the Parish website (www.stanselmchurchsouthall.com) at 10 a.m. each Sunday and will also be sent on whatsapp

A second Childrens Liturgy group for older children of First Holy Communion and older has been created by Lavina Gonsalves and this will be available for the first time this Sunday at 10 a.m.

Reporting Abuse. If you are concerned about the welfare of a child or adult at risk, do not delay in contacting the police, using 999 if a child or adult is believed to be in immediate danger. You can also contact CSAS by telephoning 0207 901 1920 or via email at admin@csas.uk.net

Coronavirus Crisis and Saint Anselm's Parish Do you need help? Do you need food and shopping? If you need help, please phone or email the Parish Office Monday to Fridays from 10 a.m. – 6 p.m. Outside office hours please leave a message on the answering machine

We have a food store in the church and we can put you in contact with Ealing Foodbank in Hanwell. Please do not hesitate to contact us and please look out for families that need help

Parish Telephone Number 020 8574 3300 email southall@rcdow.org.uk

Coronavirus Ealing Together Help Line "If you have concerns for anybody in your community, for yourself or the community generally, the helpline staffed by Ealing Council operates. Members of our parish act as volunteers for Ealing Together and do shopping and befriending for some of the many housebound people around Southall Monday- Friday from 9am-5pm | Saturday 10am-4pm | Telephone Number: 020 8825 7170 | Out-of-hours, call the emergency line | Telephone Number: 0208 825 5000.

Appeal For Food: Thank you so much to all those who responded so promptly and so generously for our appeal for the Parish Food Store. The response has been tremendous and should keep us going for a few weeks. So we do not need any more food at this time. Thank you so much

For those not on the internet it is a bit more difficult to get access to Mass. There are regular celebrations of Mass broadcast by RTE (Irish) Radio and they are accessible herein the UK on a standard radio, on 252 Long Wave.

Please note that all Mass Intentions will still be said on the requested day by a priest at a private mass.

Spiritual Communion: For those unable to receive Holy Communion, here is a Spiritual Communion you can use: My Jesus, I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament. I love You above all things, and I desire to 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

Baptism, First Holy Communion, Confirmation: We are very conscious that about 130 of our young people should be confirmed in July; and more than one hundred children should be making their First Holy Communion at this time. There were also several families planning Baptisms these past few months. Sadly all these Sacraments have had to be deferred indefinitely because of the Coronavirus pandemic. Please be certain that as soon as it's possible to do so, the preparation for these Sacraments will resume and plans will be put in place for them to happen. Naturally, we will continue to follow the government guidelines, closely monitored by the Diocese, and collaborate with them to ensure the safety of all.

Marriage and Family Life: The Smart Loving Sponsor course: for married couples looking to act as couple mentors, or simply to feed their relationship <https://smartloving.org/sponsor/>

Support for couples in lockdown at risk of abuse, or relationship breakdown: useful App <https://www.hestia.org/brightsky>:

Domestic abuse <http://www.cedar.uk.net/helplines/>

Relationship counselling <https://www.marriagecare.org.uk/>

The Sunday Collection and Parish Finances: Fr Gerard writes: The coronavirus pandemic situation has led to the closure of Churches and without Sunday Mass Collections, which is the main source of income for the Church, we must keep closer than usual watch on parish finances. As our personal and family budgets have not stopped because of the coronavirus situation, so our parish has to keep paying its bills. If you can help in anyway - and we realise that this simply may not be possible, we would be so grateful.

Planned Giving Envelopes I have received a number of enquiries from people concerned about offertory envelopes. We were due to distribute new offertory envelopes for April 2020 – April 2021 but it was not possible to do so before we had to close the church. If you can, we would ask you to just keep safe the offertory envelopes in your possession and each week put your offering aside safely at home and bring the envelopes and offerings to the church whenever the Church reopens and we may gather again to celebrate Mass

Standing Orders: Some people have asked for our Bank details as now there is no collection at Mass each week. You can make a one-off donation but we would really appreciate it if you are someone who gives regularly, if you would take out a standing order with your Bank. We can send you the form. Email me on southall@rcdow.org.uk and we will sent it to you.

Parish Bank Account details: WRCDDT – St. Anselm Southall Account

Sort Code: 40-05-20

Account No. 91308505

Address: 69 Pall Mall, London SW1Y 5EY

Ref: Donation / your

Donating Online: You can still continue to support the parish by donating online. In order to do this please use the Donate button on the parish website which will take you to a secure Virgin Money Giving donation form. You can donate either with a credit/debit card or a PayPal account. If you are a UK taxpayer you can add 25p to every £1 that you give through Gift Aid. If you are donating by Virgin Money, please tick the Gift Aid box as you make your donation.

Contrary to what is often wrongly assumed, we do not receive any financial support either from the Vatican nor from the Roman Catholic Archdiocese of Westminster of which the Saint Anselm's parish is a part, and at whose request the parish is run by the Fathers of the Society of Jesus. Together with all other parishes in Westminster Diocese we also make an annual financial contribution, according to our means, to the running of the diocese and its various public charities.

All Confirmation and First Holy Communion Classes have been cancelled.

Family & Children's Prayer Resources and Activities If you are interested in this receiving activities for your family during this time, please get in touch with Jo via email: jomارش@rcdow.org.uk

God Who Speaks': A Year of the Word 2019–20:

1. Weekly Parish Lectio Divina Podcast available on the parish website on Thursdays each week. Once a week we will have a short session in the church after Morning Mass on Tuesdays in which we will prepare for the following Sunday's Mass by reading and reflecting prayerfully on the readings, particularly the Gospel. We shall follow the practice of Lectio Divina. Those who are notable

to attend are invited to participate by listening in to a weekly podcast of the session which will be broadcast on Thursdays. It is hoped eventually that these podcasts will be broadcast in Konkani, Malayalam, Tamil and Urdu.

The Catenians were formed back in 1908. We've seen the Spanish flu, Hong Kong flu, SARS, Bird Flu, two world wars & now Covid-19. Each time a threat appears our members have adapted to the "new normal."

We understand that many people are longing for the human to human contact that is so needed to get through these troubling times. Ealing Catenian Circle offers that virtually as well the opportunity to pray and socialise

with others from the parish.

Our next meeting is being held virtually on Zoom on 25th June 2020 at 7:30pm and we welcome laymen from the Parish to email the Circle at awphillip92@aol.com and join our next meeting.

No pressure to join, no ongoing hassle after - just a chance to relax, socialise and be prayerful with other parishioners and to help you get through these strange times.

All EU, EEA and Swiss citizens living in the UK are required by the government to apply through its Settlement Scheme to continue living, working and accessing services here. The deadline for applications is 30 June 2021. Details and links to the application process can be found at: [gov.uk/eusettledstatus](https://www.gov.uk/eusettledstatus) Please bring this to the attention of friends, family members and fellow parishioners who may need to apply. Information on assistance for those who may have difficulty applying is available at: [gov.uk/help-eu-settlement-scheme](https://www.gov.uk/help-eu-settlement-scheme) The Catholic Church in England and Wales stands in solidarity with all European citizens who have made their homes here. They are a valued part of our parishes, schools and communities.