



The Catholic Parish of St Teresa of the Child Jesus, Trent Vale
A growing community of disciples with a heart for Jesus, His Church, and His Mission

Solemnity of Corpus Christi

Sunday 14th June 2020

Dear Friends,

The big news this week is that our churches can be opened for private prayer (individuals or household groups). We are a long way from being able to celebrate liturgies publicly, but this is a big small step! There is more information about this on the next page which is dedicated to opening the church.

I would like to use the front of the newsletter to speak about what would have been happening this weekend at St Teresa's. Our young people who have been preparing over the last year should have celebrated their First Holy Communion.

As we celebrate the Solemnity of Corpus Christi and give thanks for the gift of Christ's Body and Blood given to us in Holy Communion, my thoughts and prayers go out to our young people who would have experienced this weekend with special joy.

Dear young friends, the Lord still waits to give himself to you. Jesus who loves you so much wants to give you his love in Holy Communion. We will celebrate! You will receive Jesus! I am sorry that it cannot be this weekend. You can make a spiritual communion. Join in the prayer we say after I receive Holy Communion, 'I wish, my Lord, to receive you, with the purity, humility and devotion, with which your holy mother received you, the spirit and the fervour of the saints, amen.'

When we say that prayer, we ask Jesus who is present on the altar, come and be close to us in our lives. We pray that if Jesus was with us, we would welcome him just as Mary his mother welcomed Jesus. We pray that we can welcome Jesus into our hearts with all the love the saints welcomed him into their hearts.

One day we will be able to celebrate your first Holy Communion. Be ready for that day! Know Jesus, love Jesus, serve Jesus!

With every blessing on today's feast to you all.

Keep praying, stay cheerful, and God bless,

Fr Michael

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Social Media

Follow on Facebook, Twitter and Instagram @CatholicTrentV

Hire the Meeting Room

Contact the parish office to use the meeting room for your function e.g. Baptism or funeral reception

Opening the Church for Private Prayer

What you need to know

Getting the Church Ready

In line with guidance from the Bishops Conference of England and Wales, and subject to completed risk assessments for the Archdiocese of Birmingham, I am hoping to open the church for private prayer in the coming week. This has been a complicated and time-consuming task, my thanks to Bill and Peter for their work in completing the risk assessment.

Volunteers

In order to open we need a number of volunteers to limit numbers inside the church, ensure social distancing, and clean the church after each session. If you are over 18 and under 70, and not in any of the vulnerable groups, you can volunteer to help. Click here to complete the form, there is a training session via Zoom on Monday 15th at 7.00 p.m. <https://catholictrentvale.churchsuite.com/events/2vqks3eu>

Opening Times

Once we know our volunteers and worked out a rota, we will advertise opening times as soon as possible. Initially, this will be by social media and then on next week's newsletter. Keep an eye out and spread the word!

If there are any changes to opening times they will be shared on social media and a note on the door of the church.

Numbers

We have space for up to 18 individuals in church at one time. There is space and special sections for households to sit together (4 marked benches).

If the church is 'full' please be prepared to wait outside (think weather!) on in cars until called forward.

Visiting

Anyone is welcome to come and pray. We would ask young people to be accompanied by an adult. **PLEASE DO NOT VISIT IF YOU HAVE FLU LIKE SYMPTONS.**

You will need to use sanitiser, keep social distancing, follow a one-way system round the church and sit in designated areas, if you wish. Our volunteers will be on hand to assist. This banner will be displayed in church.

Changes

We are starting small and we can scale depending on how much you want to use the church for prayer. We will try and communicate changes as best as possible.

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Welcome to St Teresa's

If this is your first time or you are a regular parishioner you are very welcome to come and spend some time in prayer in the peace and quiet of our church.

Things are a little different at the moment, but everything you need to know to have a safe visit is below and our team is happy to help.



If you are exhibiting any flu-like symptoms, please do not enter this church.

Common symptoms of the covid virus include the following:
High temperature
New continuous cough
Loss or change to your sense of smell or taste

Visitors that exhibit any of these symptoms will not be allowed into church.



Follow any instructions given by our volunteers



Use hand sanitiser when entering and leaving the church



Ensure that at ALL times you keep 2m/6ft apart



Follow the route that is marked out in church



Please use the designated seats to sit and pray

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LITURGIES THIS WEEK

Date	Time	Liturgy	Intention
Sunday 14 th June <i>Solemnity of Corpus Christi</i>	9.30 a.m. 7.00 p.m.	Holy Mass Evening Devotions	<i>Dr Kathleen McCartie R.I.P</i>
Monday 15 th June <i>Feria</i>	9.30 a.m.	Holy Mass	<i>Dorothy and Ray Bradley</i>
Tuesday 16 th June <i>Memoria St Richard of Chichester</i>	9.30 a.m.	Holy Mass	<i>Pro Populo</i>
Wednesday 17 th June <i>Feria</i>	2.00 p.m.	Monica Prayers	
Thursday 18 th June <i>Feast of Dedication of St Chad's Cathedral</i>	9.30 p.m. 7.00 p.m.	Holy Mass Evening Devotions	<i>The current situation</i>
Friday 19 th June <i>Solemnity of the Sacred Heart of Jesus</i>	9.30 a.m. 6.30 p.m.	Holy Mass Rosary	<i>Intentions of Ros Powell and Family</i>
Saturday 20 th June <i>Memoria Immaculate Heart of Mary</i>	9.30 a.m. 10.15 a.m.	Holy Mass Virtual Coffee	<i>Private Intentions (A.E.)</i>
Sunday 21 st June <i>Twelfth Sunday Ordinary Time</i>	9.30 a.m. 7.00 p.m.	Holy Mass Evening Devotions	<i>Pro Populo</i>

Holy Mass on your telephone

Please note, the details are different – and should work!

Dial 0333 0164 757

Room Number 88485247#

PIN 7342#

Live Stream Liturgies

Facebook

<https://www.facebook.com/CatholicTrentV/>

Website

<http://www.catholictrentvale.org.uk>

Phone See details above

I hope you can join us. Please offer help to friends and families to access these liturgies.

Children's Liturgy

Each week our fantastic children's liturgy team are posting a video for our young people with an activity. Check it out here:

<http://www.catholictrentvale.org.uk/children.html>

Year of the Word: The God Who Speaks

Nigel and Laura have almost completed the Acts of the Apostles and are moving on to St Mark's Gospel. Find out more here:

<http://www.catholictrentvale.org.uk/acts.html>

Mass Intentions

Please note, that Mass intentions, if previously requested, will be moved to the closest days possible during this time of pandemic. The parish priest is still required to celebrate a Mass *Pro Populo* each week and I will continue to offer a Mass with the intention 'For the current situation'.

Parish Finances – Monthly Update (based on monthly bank statement April 2020)

Standing Orders and Direct Donations £1,580

Cheques received during April £199

Thank you so much for supporting the parish during this time. We are below where we would like to be, but I am so grateful for your continued support. Thank you for the messages, cards, and phone calls with your concern and offers to help.

Find out how to give by going to

<http://www.catholictrentvale.org.uk/giving.html>