THE CATHOLIC PARISH OF OUR LADY OF VICTORIES & ST. ANNE, KEIGHLEY

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HOLY MASS AT SAINT ANNE'S PARISH CHURCH

Date: Mar	ch	Time	Mass Intentions	Feast
Sunday	22 nd	11.00am	Pro Populo	Fourth Sunday of Lent
Monday	23 rd	9.30am	John Ferguson	Weekday of Lent
Tuesday	24 th	9.30am	Marie Lomas (LD)	Weekday of Lent
Wednesday	25 th	9.30am	Patrick Casserly (LD)	Annunciation of the Lord
Thursday	26 th	9.30am	Harry Convery (LD)	Weekday of Lent
Friday	27 th	9.30am	Jacqueline McDonald (1st A)	Weekday of Lent
Saturday	28 th	9.30am	Yorkshire Brethren	Weekday of Lent
Sunday	29 th	11.00am	Margaret & Anthony Cruse (A)	Fifth Sunday of Lent

MASS CELEBRATED EACH DAY WITHOUT A CONGREGATION

DEVOTIONS & CONFESSIONS				
Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament	Monday - Saturday 10.00am - 12 Noon			
	Sunday: 9.00am - 11.00am			
Confessions:	Monday - Saturday: 10.00am			

Mass Intentions Received: Private Intention; Yorkshire Brethren

A MESSAGE FROM THE CATHOLIC BISHOPS' OF ENGLAND & WALES

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

In response to the Coronavirus pandemic, so many aspects of our lives must change. This includes the ways in which we publicly express our faith. It is very clear that, following official advice and in order to keep each other safe, save lives and support the NHS, at this time we must not gather for public acts of worship in our churches. This will begin from Friday evening, 20th March 2020, until further notice.

Our churches will remain open. They are not closing. They will be a focal point of prayer, solace and strength. However, the celebration of Mass, Sunday by Sunday and day by day, will take place without a public congregation.

We want everyone to understand that in these emergency circumstances, and for as long as they last, the obligation to attend Mass on Sundays and Holy Days is removed. (Catechism of the Catholic Church 2181)

Bishop Marcus in his decree informs us that baptisms will be deferred until such times that the public health advice is that we can gather safely. Confirmation and First Holy Communion will be postponed until a time that allows for families and friends to gather safely within our churches. Marriages should also be deferred and a Funeral Service should take place at the graveside or at a crematorium. Priests over 70 years of age will not be allowed to conduct a funeral service or give the Last Rites. Confessions will be available in church.

Saint Anne's Church: as you will see from the special notice outside church Mass will be celebrated every day without a congregation. This will take place from Monday - Saturday at 9.30am and then the church will be open for private prayer for 2 hours from 10.00am - 12 Noon with Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament. On Sunday the church will be open from 9.00am - 11.00am also with Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and when the church closes Mass will be celebrated. Confessions will be available when the church is open. There will be Mass intentions each day and if you would like a special intention please post your intention and donation through the Presbytery letterbox.

At the entrance to the church there are some leaflets to help us at this time: "Prayers during a time of illness"; "When Mass cannot be celebrated publicly" including a Spiritual Communion. Catholic Care are providing a support service for anyone finding it difficult to cope. There is an information sheet also at the back of church.