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SATURDAY, 14 MARCH

6.30 pm Timothy Wadland (A)

SUNDAY 15 MARCH – Third Sunday in Lent

9.00 am Rita Spencer (LD) 10.30 am Parish

5 pm (atStJS) Parish

MONDAY, 16 MARCH

9.30 am Tony Drew (A)

TUESDAY, 17 MARCH – St Patrick

9.30 am Rita Spencer

WEDNESDAY, 18 MARCH

9.30 am (at StJS) Susan Wright (A)

THURSDAY, 19 MARCH – St Joseph

9.30 am Rita Spencer's Family

FRIDAY, 20 MARCH

11 am Funeral Mass: Joe Clancy

SATURDAY, 21 MARCH

9.30 am Private Intention

6.30 pm Pat Hussey & the Turner Family

SUNDAY, 22 MARCH – Fourth Sunday in Lent

9.00 am Walter and Christine Bell 10.30 am Nellie & Jack Glaze

5 pm (atStJS) Thomas and Bernadette Delaney

Sacrament of Reconciliation - Saturday 10.30-11.30 am and 6.00-6.20 pm

Attendance last Sunday: St T's: 296

StJS: 58

Collection: StT's £773.77

StJS: £136.47

Received with thanks

WE REMEMBER IN OUR PRAYERS Rita Spencer whose Funeral Mass was last week, and Joe Clancy of Beach Avenue whose Funeral Mass is at St Teresa's next Friday, 20 March, at 11 am. We remember them and their families, and all those whose anniversaries are at this time. May they rest in God's peace.

A VERY BIG THANK YOU for your generous response to the CAFOD Lent Family Fast Appeal last weekend. £872.00 was donated at St Teresa's and £180.00 at St John Southworth.

REDUCING RISKS OF CORONAVIRUS TRANSMISSION: Last weekend we were given verbally the instructions from our National Bishops' Conference concerning our concerns for others in Church Services during these extra-ordinary times. Here they are again, in print:

1. The sign of peace is to be suspended at Mass. In order not to create confusion in the minds of the congregation, I request that all priests simply omit any reference to the offering of the sign of peace, prior to the *Lamb of God*.
2. Holy Communion from the chalice shall cease to be offered. The practice of intinction is not to be introduced as an alternative.
3. Those who choose to receive the Sacred Host on the tongue should be encouraged to receive on the hand instead. Their doing this represents an act of loving charity to their community. Alternatively, they should be encouraged to make a 'Spiritual Communion'.
4. Use of Holy Water stoups in churches is to be suspended.
5. Churches and chapels that are open daily for private prayer should continue to remain open. Care should be given to ensuring that surfaces of high contact (eg light switches, door handles and areas around the door) are regularly sanitized throughout the day.
6. Ministers should wash and also sanitize their hands before and after distributing Holy Communion. Shared towels should not be used in toilet areas or the sacristy.
7. Shared hymn books and Mass books should ideally not be used at this time. Single use Mass sheets may be used; though these should be carefully thrown away after use.

FURTHER INSTRUCTIONS WERE RECEIVED THIS WEEK:

- That the most vulnerable, (the elderly, and people with weakened immune systems and long-term conditions like cancer, diabetes and heart disease), should refrain from large parish gatherings and stay at home.
- Catering (teas and coffees etc) at large parish gatherings where multiple people touch mugs, utensils, biscuits etc should be suspended.
- Also please note that some alcohol-based hand sanitizers are highly flammable. Nobody should light candles/votive candles whilst hands are still wet.
- We should all try to be good neighbours at this time, subject of course to any restrictions issued by civil authorities. Those with no family in the area, and those on low incomes may struggle to have two weeks' worth of food at home if they have to self-isolate, or are in fact ill. Those who rely on 'home helps' may also experience difficulty if their helpers are ill.

ON-GOING PARISH BUSINESS:

As we are coming to the end of the financial year, this weekend and next replacements of the planned-giving envelopes and the 100 Club subscription are available after each Mass.

A TIME OF REFLECTION FOR LENT at St Teresa's Church on Saturday, 28 March, 2-4 pm. Please see the poster in the church porch.