

St Aelred of Rievaulx Catholic Church

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St Aelred SVP and the response to the Coronavirus Emergency

In the past week we have been in touch with all the people we visit and we will do our best to contact them by phone during this time of self-isolation. SVP members are no longer able to visit face to face. In addition we are working with Deacon David to contact parishioners living on their own or who may need some support over the coming weeks. Several younger members of the Parish have contacted David offering their support to isolated parishioners. Thank you to all those who have volunteered, either through the Parish, the SVP or other local networks.

If you would like to add your name to the list of volunteers to do shopping, collect prescriptions, or other tasks, please phone. Also, do contact us if you know of anyone in need whom you are unable to help.

St Aelred's SVP telephone number is 07311214436

BULLETIN FOR THE 5TH SUNDAY OF LENT

Dear People of St Aelred's

Due to the current situation, we have changed our weekly bulletin. We will aim to keep you updated on Parish events as much as possible. If at all possible, please check our website and join our Facebook page.

Canon Callaghan and Fr Ben - are celebrating Mass each day for the people of St Aelreds and St Roberts parishes. Please remember them in your prayers.

Church Closure – Unfortunately, due to the current situation and following the Government's announcement and on the orders of Bishop Marcus, Church is now closed. To ensure the closure of the church the key-code has been changed.

Offerings to the Parish - while we as a community cannot come together at this time to celebrate our weekly masses, we cannot make also our weekly envelope offerings to support the parish. Unfortunately, it will not be possible to provide the new boxes of envelopes until the situation improves. in the meantime, should any parishioner wish to make their contributions to the parish by standing order direct from their bank account, please ring David Rutherford [01423 887470] for the relevant details.

Care for one another –There are many local groups who are providing great help within the community, the below are just a few, they are also in need of volunteers if you are fit and healthy and not in the vulnerable group:

Local charity HELP - Will be providing support for those older and vulnerable people who don't have family or neighbours to help them, using safely recruited and fully supported volunteers. Please call 01423 813096 for assistance or email help@harcvs.org.uk If you would like to volunteer, please go to <https://www.harcvs.org.uk/news/become-here-help-volunteer>

Covid Co-operation – Currently on Facebook, the general public can post urgent requests for food and supplies and local people volunteer to source and deliver.

Knaresborough Coronavirus Support Community Group - Also on Facebook but have provided an email and telephone number for anyone who isn't: 07593 882 340 info@knaresboroughconnectors.org.uk

Lock-down – This time does give us an opportunity to spend a bit of time in updating our understanding of our faith and in fostering our relationship with the living God whom we all seek to serve. Here are a few resources which may be of interest and assistance. Daily prayer resources, scriptural reflections:

Sacred Space:(Ignatian Spirituality) <https://www.sacredspace.ie>

Bishop Baron's Word on Fire: <https://dailycatholicgospel.com/sign-up-daily-gospel>

Daily Meditations from Richard Rohr's Centre for action and Spirituality:
<https://cac.org/category/daily-meditations/>

Other resources some will find of interest:

Scott Hahn is known to many as a long-time convert to Catholicism and as a lively speaker and scriptural scholar his free series on The Eucharist in Scripture is available at. You will need to give you name and email address, I can recommend it as a safe web-site which I have often visited without any problems. <https://stpaulcenter.com/free-stream/>

And for those who would like some serious brain food Aquinas 101 - a series of lectures for beginners on the Theology of Thomas Aquinas from the Thomistic Institute: The lectures later in the series on the Trinity are particularly recommendable.
<https://aquinas101.thomisticinstitute.org/>

Harrogate District Foodbank – Are in urgent need of the following items, all donations are very greatly received. Donations points can be found on the Harrogate District Foodbank webpage <https://harrogedistrict.foodbank.org.uk/give-help/donate-food/>

- Toilet Roll
- Female deodorant
- Male deodorant
- Small laundry powder
- Sponge puddings
- Dried milk
- Cereal
- Tins of meat and fish
- Tins of tomatoes and pasta sauce
- Pasta and rice
- Small jars of coffee
- Rice pudding tins
- Long life milk

- Fruit juice
- Dog and cat food
- Shaving gel

Donations points: Food can be dropped off at Waitrose in Harrogate since Churches are now closed. For more information see www.ctharrogate.org.uk or contact Churches Together in Harrogate harrogetect@gmail.com

NHS Volunteers - All Volunteers must undergo a recruitment process involving two references and an enhanced clearance from the Disclosure and Barring Service (at no cost to the Volunteer) and training for specific roles. Anyone able to spare some time to support their local NHS should please complete and return an application form, available on the Trust website (www.hdft.nhs.uk/Volunteering). More details are available by emailing hdft.volunteering@nhs.net

Please can you help the St Vincent's Support Centre?

Amidst the Coronavirus crisis, the St Vincent's Support Centre is still trying to help the community daily. We want to continue to offer emergency food to those who are in need and/or are high risk.

We are asking for donations so we can continue to supply food, toiletries and other necessities for people and families across Leeds. To cover the costs of resources/ stocking up we need to raise £5,000. Any amount that you can offer, large or small, will make a big difference to us reaching our goal.

Donating to our JustGiving page is easy - just follow this link and click Donate:

<https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/stvincentsleeds>

JustGiving sends your donation straight to St Vincent De Paul Society (SVP) so it's a quick and safe way to donate.

From all of us at St Vincent's, thank you.

The St Vincent's team x