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BULLETIN FOR THE TWENTY THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Please pray for those who are sick and all those who care for them. We also remember those who have died recently and those whose anniversaries occur.

Re-opening of St Aelred's for the public celebration of Mass

We have now had several weeks experience of the church being re-open for the public celebration of Mass. It has been very encouraging to see so many people returning to the celebration of Mass and who have felt safe in doing so.

The seating capacity in the church has been greatly reduced, so that we can adhere to social distancing. A one-way-system is in operation and stewards are on duty to assist worshippers, and who are responsible for sanitising the building after each service.

The Bishops have suspended the obligation to attend Mass on Sunday and Holy Days so many people who can do so are attending weekday Masses, so far at St Aelred's we have not been full at weekends.

You are asked not to turn up without booking a place at the scheduled Mass times. The system of online registration and telephone booking has been set up so that we are able to comply with the restriction on numbers and can be accountable under the Governments Track and Trace Programme. To this end, details of all worshippers must be retained for 21 days filling any visit to the church.

In response to Government requirements those attending Mass are asked to wear a face-covering unless there are medical grounds for not doing so.

You can reserve places for Mass via the **on-line booking** service or by telephone. For **on-line bookings** for St Aelred's you can use either the

St Aelred's Parish Website at : www.st-aelred.org.uk

Or via the St Robert's Parish Website: www.strobertsharrogate.co.uk

For **telephone bookings** for Mass at St Aelred's or for St Robert's call 0778 361 1229, during office hours, 9am to 5pm Monday to Friday.

Temporary Schedule of Masses and Confessions between Friday 4th September and Friday 11th September

Fri 4th September.

St Aelred's - Mass at 10.00am

St Robert's – Confessions at 11-11.45am and Mass at 12.00 noon

Sat 5th September.

St Aelred's - Vigil Mass at 6.30pm

St Robert's - Confessions at 5.00pm-5.45pm and Vigil Mass 6.15pm (please note St. Robert's church will not be open during the day to allow for the video recording of the Sunday Mass)

Sun 6th September.

St Aelred's- Mass at 10.00am St Robert's Mass at 9.00am, 11.00am and 6pm

Mon 7th September.

St Robert's Mass 12 noon

Wed 9th September.

St Aelred's - Mass at 10.00am St Robert's Mass 12 noon

Fri 11th September.

St Aelred's- Mass at 10.00am St Robert Mass 12 noon

This schedule is designed so that we can comply with the agreements between HM Government, Public Health England, and the Catholic Bishops Conference of England & Wales and will repeat week by week until further notice.

Celebration of Baptism - We are also now able to celebrate the Sacrament of Baptism. If you would like to arrange or re-arrange a Baptism please get in touch with Deacon David. He will discuss with you the revised arrangements for the Sacrament of Baptism.

Evening prayer of the Church - on 'Zoom' takes place at 6pm each evening. As part of our prayer time we remember the needs of the parish and the wider community. If you would like to take part in this prayer but are unsure what is involved, or how to go about it please give Deacon David a call on 01423 560279 or email the office. There is no need for any long-term commitment, it is easy to drop-in or drop-out whenever you can or can't come.

Zoom Coffee morning - The next 'Coffee and Chat' will be on Thursday 10th September at 11.00 to 11.40. Zoom Meeting ID: 786 7692. 4047 Password: 8E4var

SVP St Aelred's are continuing to support local people. We are delivering paper bulletins to those who have requested one. If you have a particular need please call the Conference mobile phone 07311214364. **St Vincent's Shop on Knaresborough High Street** has a new manager, Donna. She is keen to recruit more volunteers. Please call her on 01423 869771. The shop has started to stock new and refurbished White goods. For example a refurbished Hotpoint stand-alone cooker at £130. Donations of good quality goods are also wanted.

The Diocese of Leeds Year of the Word - Word events have been extended and will continue into 2021. Although our events were disrupted by the lock-down, we are delighted to announce that our 'The God Who Gives Life' series of talks on Flourishing in Scripture will be resuming online from next month. The talks will now be hosted live via Zoom meetings, and later available as recordings on the Diocesan Year of the Word YouTube Channel where previous talks are also available. https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCQkJXV2l_tfKN8mprT5SNnA

The first talk will be given by John Newton (Senior Press Officer for Aid to the Church in Need), who will speak to us via Zoom on 'The God who Suffers: Flourishing in the Face of Persecution', from 7-8pm on Wednesday 9 September 2020. There is no limit on places, but to receive a link to attend the Zoom meeting, please email gregory.stacey@dioceseofleeds.org.uk.

Helping Refugees – As Liam Allmark from the Bishops' Conference has stated; Of the world's eighty million displaced people, only a tiny fraction seek sanctuary in the UK. Many of those being refused sanctuary are fleeing precisely because our own country has fuelled conflicts and repression across the globe. As Christians we are called to both care for our neighbour and welcome the stranger, twin obligations that should shape our response to this hypocrisy. Around two thousand years before ago Jesus and his family began their own flight as refugees and when his death reminded the world that every refugee is a human being, Christians were among those at the forefront of demanding that our governments act with humanity and compassion. Today, as more desperate families risk their lives trying to reach the UK's shores, let's raise our voices once again.

How can we help?.... Care4Calais - In July the French authorities conducted the largest eviction of refugees in Calais since 2016, destroying tents, sleeping bags, possessions and food and now they have absolutely nothing except their unbreakable will to survive. Since then police have entered the sites every single day, moving people on and not letting them rest. Our volunteers are searching the area for those left behind. We have found people sleeping on bare tarmac, or wandering for days, hungry, dehydrated and exhausted. We're working day and night, to provide food, water, sleeping bags and tarpaulins to people in desperate need. We urgently need your help to buy essential supplies. Please go to <https://care4calais.org/emergency-appeal/> to donate or call 020 3872 2090, thank you!

Season of Creation. The Season of Creation runs from 1 September (World Day of Prayer for the Care of Creation) to 4 October (the feast of Saint Francis of Assisi) each year. This ecumenical season is dedicated to prayer and action for the protection of creation. We are called to give thanks for all that God has made, repent for the damage that we have caused and commit ourselves to take action to protect the earth our common home. This year we have been made acutely aware of how interconnected we all are, and so we come together in hope that we can rebuild and heal our world.

We are invited during this season to pray a **Novena to St Francis**. This novena is a song of penitence and praise, guiding us to care for the earth and for our most vulnerable sisters and brothers. The special focus this year is on the peoples of the Amazon, who are currently under grave risk from coronavirus, and the continued burning of the forest. You can find the Novena at: <https://cafod.org.uk/Pray/Prayer-resources/Novena-to-St-Francis>