

General Guidance & Rules in the Parish

Whilst it is no longer required to stay two metres apart from people you do not live with and there is no limit to the numbers you may meet, the guidance goes on to say “in order to minimise the risk at a time of high prevalence, you should limit the contact you have with those you do not usually live with and increase close contact gradually. This includes limiting the number, proximity and duration of social events.” This is a note of caution for us in returning to parish activities. There will no longer be restrictions on group sizes for attending communal worship. This allows a return to pre-Covid-19 safety capacities whilst taking into account the guidance of the Bishops of England and Wales.

General guidance in church:

- Please do not enter church if you are symptomatic.
- Please use hand sanitiser available at the entrance & exits doors of church.
- The wearing of face coverings is encouraged.
- Church stewarding will now end.
- Track/Trace: Parishioners are asked to take personal responsibility by way of scanning the QR code in the church porch on their phones – you will need to download the NHS Covid-19 App to do this.
- The holy water stoop remains unavailable at this time.
- All church pews to open. Socially distanced seating remains available in the two transepts.
- Church windows/doors will remain open to maintain good ventilation.
- Frequently touched areas will be cleaned regularly.

Liturgical Guidance in church:

- The physical sign of peace remains suspended in the Liturgy of Mass.
- Offertory collection – this will remain in baskets on the tables at the back of church for you to place donations in as you enter/leave church.
- Holy communion will continue under only one kind with no administration of the Chalice. Ministers are asked to sanitise their hands and wear face coverings as before. Holy Communion is still recommended on the hand, though all who wish to receive on the tongue may do so with special care being taken.
- There is no longer a requirement to have a one-way system or other restrictions on movement within our churches so Holy Communion will be administered at the usual time with parishioners able to return to their seats thereafter. People should exercise good responsible behaviour when moving to receive Holy Communion and should avoid getting too close to each other.

Please Pray for Persecuted Christians in the Middle East

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24th October, 2021 – The Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time Mass Times & Intentions

Saturday 23rd	6.30 pm	Walter Pettitt
Sunday 24th	9.00 am	Dorothy & John Kirwan
	10.30 am	The Parishioners
Monday 25th	10.00 am	Dr. Dick Walsh & Mrs. Walsh
Tuesday 26th	10.00 am	The families of the parish
Wednesday 27th	10.00 am	Clergy & Religious of the Diocese
Thursday 28th	9.00 am	Father Elmer Worth
Friday 29th	10.00 am	Anne & Frank Jefferay
Saturday 30th	6.30 pm	The Parishioners
Sunday 31st	9.00 am	Celebrant's Intention
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- (1) Please note earlier Mass on Thursday 28th October at 9 am
- (2) Church open daily for private prayer after Mass until late afternoon.
- (3) Confession available after any Mass – please ask Father Anthony.

Sycamore: The Catholic Faith Explained - By Father Stephen Wang

Bishop Mark writes, "Father Stephen is well-known from presentations he has given to education-ists in the Diocese and is presently Rector of the Venerable English College in Rome. I have been pleased to see the development of the Sycamore programme and now this volume published by CTS that provides an accessible introduction to the faith of the Catholic Church. The CTS material explains: "Whether you want to deepen the faith you already have, are exploring the faith for the first time, or are just curious, in SYCAMORE you will find answers to the most common questions about life and faith. What is happiness? How can we know that God exists? What do we really know about Jesus? Can we trust the Bible? What is faith? Does prayer make a difference? Is there such a thing as right and wrong? What is the meaning of love? In addition to the essential questions about life, SYCAMORE explains simply the central beliefs and practices of Catholic Christianity. Understand the seven sacraments, the moral and social teaching of the Church, the Christian vocations, the Virgin Mary and the saints, life after death, and the hope of heaven."

This book is available to buy for £14.95 at <https://www.ctsbooks.org/product/sycamore/>

Catholic Universe Online

This online replacement for the Catholic Universe newspaper has just been launched. Parishioners who would wish to subscribe for £20 a quarter (13 copies) can go to <https://universecatholic-weekly.co.uk/subscribe>

Politics and Religion: A Symposium Saturday 6th November 2021

A day long online symposium has been organised by Portsmouth Diocese with David Wells, David Alton, Ruth Kelly and Jacob Rees Mogg. For those who may be interested to take part in this Catholic reflection on politics and religion., please visit <https://www.portsmouthdiocese.org.uk/symposium>

Walk With Me

Many parishes are familiar with the "Walk with Me" publication which encourage prayer and the reading of Scripture following the liturgical year. The Advent edition of the Walk with Me can be ordered directly from the website of Alive Publishing: <https://shop.alivepublishing.co.uk/category/WWMADV>

Praying for the unborn and women facing crisis pregnancies

"This week, we celebrated the feast of Pope St John Paul II, patron saint of the pro-life movement. We ask for his intercession as we, the church, seek to support all pregnant mothers through their pregnancies, and that, like him, we would become models of support and charity to all in society. Lord hear us."

Sunday 24 October - Today is World Mission Sunday – Retiring Collection This Weekend

World Mission Sunday is being celebrated in every Catholic parish around the world today! It supports missionaries who work alongside communities that are poor or in need, regardless of their background or belief. By supporting Missio, the Pope's charity for world mission, you will help missionaries like Sister Veronica build peace in Nigeria and share the love of Christ with those most in need. Please pray for the mission of the Church throughout the world and give what you can to this very important collection which will sustain the future of our Church. Please call **020 7821 9755** (office hours) or visit Missio's website to give a single gift, set up a Direct Debit and Gift Aid your donation, if possible: <https://missio.org.uk>

Message of thanks from Bishop Mark

We have received a warm letter of thanks from the Bishop for the 'beautiful' celebration of Mass to mark the 150th anniversary of the foundation of the Catholic Mission in Wilmslow. He said it was a very happy occasion to be able to share with the parish and the clergy who came together to concelebrate.

Food Link, Colshaw – Half Term Appeal

Sadly, the need is increasing, and there will be particular need during half term next week – could you help to donate food to those struggling? We are very grateful to receive the following food donations: dried pasta, pasta sauces, cereals, tea, coffee, sugar, and tinned foods (pies, soups, beans, fruit, veg, meat, fish, etc.). Please leave any donations in the box at the back of church.

Pause for Hope Chester – 14th November

Pause for hope is a prayer initiative for dealing with cancer and on Sunday 14th November 2021 at 3pm St Columba's church, Plas Newton Lane Chester we will be holding our Chester Pause for Hope Service.

Pause for Hope services are:

- Open - Everyone is welcome and there is no need for a ticket; attendees can be of any faith, or none at all.
- Ecumenical - Representatives of all denominations lead the congregation in hymns and prayers.
- Informative - A short address is given by an invited speaker and a poem is read.
- Musical - A selection of music is played and choirs take part. Hymns are sung.
- Reflective - Individual candles are lit by members of the congregation for someone with cancer or in memory of someone lost to cancer.