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**6th Sunday of the Year – (B) 14th February 2021**

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**PLEASE NOTE – BOTH CHURCHES ARE CLOSED FROM FEBRUARY 1ST**

Because of the increase of Covid-19 cases in Flintshire, and to protect the stewards, cleaners, parishioners and himself, Canon Joe has decided to close both Churches. He will continue to say Mass in private every day for your intentions.

The plan is to recommence the usual 3 Sunday Masses on Palm Sunday, 27/28th March, and then have 3 Masses on Easter Sunday, 3rd/4th April. There will be no services over the Holy Week period.

**Canon Joe will say Mass in private each day for the following intentions**:-

Sun 14th February 6th Sunday in Ordinary Time People of the Parish

Mon 15th February Liturgy of the Day Mike Hughes RIP

Tues 16th February Liturgy of the Day Margaret Parkinson (ill)

**Wed 17th February ASH WEDNESDAY Peter York Brown RIP**

Thu 18th February Liturgy of the Day Bridget Doran (ill)

Fri 19th February Liturgy of the Day Holy Souls

Sat 20th February Liturgy of the Day Gareth, Helen & Family

Sun 21st February 1st Sunday of Lent People of the Parish

**If anyone wants a virtual copy of the bulletin, please email Canon Joe to give permission. This is to comply with GDPR regulations.**

You can follow live streaming of Mass & other services from Bishop Peter via the Diocesan Facebook page - [**https://www.facebook.com/wrexhamdiocese/**](https://www.facebook.com/wrexhamdiocese/) There are also links to other Churches in the Diocese who are streaming Masses.

**Please Pray For**:-

* The repose of the soul of Ewa Teresa Makowieska. Her funeral is at 10am on Tues 23rd Feb at Northop Crematorium.
* The repose of the soul Peter York Brown who died this week. His funeral is at 10am on Thurs 25th Feb at Northop Crem.
* Tilly from Queensferry, who had a bad fall last week and is currently recovering in hospital
* Margaret Parkinson who is back in hospital
* Brian Palmer who is in hospital.
* Christine Maughan who is ill, and her husband Kevin & family members
* Anne Thomas, who is recovering from Covid-19, and her husband Chris, who is still poorly in hospital
* All the sick of the Parish

**Wednesday marks the start of our Lenten Journey**

It’s sad that we can’t meet up in Church and journey together – but there are online resources we can participate in as well as attending Mass virtually all over the world! The Bishop’s Conference of England and Wales have an online directory of Masses streaming online at <https://www.cbcew.org.uk/home/our-work/health-social-care/coronavirus-guidelines/online-mass-directory/>

The CAFOD website has some interesting Lenten links at <https://cafod.org.uk/Pray/Lent-prayers> and, like they did during Advent, will have different daily calendars for adults, young people and children - with ideas, prayers, reflections and other activities to join.

It would be nice to do something “virtual” on a parish level too so if anyone has any ideas, email Canon Joe or Ann at the addresses shown on the bulletin.



**SPUC – The Society for the Protection of Unborn Children** - are asking us to speak out against DIY abortions in Wales by taking part in a consultation by the Welsh Government - by completing their questionnaire in order to stop dangerous DIY abortions becoming permanent. Every pro-life voice counts. If you would be willing to complete one contact Cath Baker on 810394. Alternatively, do it on line at : [www.spuc.org.uk](http://www.spuc.org.uk) (don't worry, there are accompanying notes to help you)

**The Curriculum and Assessment (Wales) Bill** – If you are against the proposed changes to the school curriculum wrt Relationship, Sex & Religious Education, go to <http://catholiceducation.org.uk/welshparents> for a template to write to your MSs.

**Collections for Church Funds**: There are no collection figures this week as Church is currently closed.

While some Church expenses have decreased during lockdown, there are still many bills to pay.

During this time please consider setting up a Standing Order to give your donations regularly. This isn’t the same as a Direct Debit – only you can change the amount you give. If you’d like to do this, please contact Canon Joe for bank details.

**Please consider giving your offertory collection in a Gift Aid envelope if you pay tax (a higher rate tax payer can obtain a further 20% tax relief)**.

**Items for the bulletin**: to Ann Payton by Weds evening please, tel 01244 821010 or e-mail ann.dragonden@btinternet.com