

## The Parish of Our Lady of Mount Carmel & St Wilfrid, Selsey

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**EASTER SUNDAY**

**11<sup>th</sup>/12<sup>th</sup> April 2020**

### **Mass and Other Services are Suspended until Further Notice**

Saturday	8.30pm	The Solemn Vigil of Easter (from Arundel Cathedral)	
Sunday	10.00am	No Mass	
Monday		Easter Monday	No Mass
Tuesday		Easter Tuesday	No Mass
Wednesday		Easter Wednesday	No Mass
Thursday		Easter Thursday	No Mass
Friday		Easter Friday	No Mass
Saturday		Easter Saturday	No Mass

### **2<sup>nd</sup> SUNDAY OF EASTER**

10.00am No Mass

Sacrament of Reconciliation: *None this Saturday*

**PROMISES OF OUR BAPTISM:** If we are not able to renew our faith with the words of the baptismal promises during the Mass of Easter, we can renew them at home. Most of us probably relied on our parents and godparents to say them for us when they held us in their arms at our baptism! Sadly, those who have been preparing to receive the Sacrament of Baptism as adults, during the Easter Vigil, will not be able to make the Promises in their own name this Easter. Please pray for all those who will have to wait for our Churches to be reopened so that they can be received into the Church through Baptism.

In the meantime let us also pray for those also who have been waiting to be received into the Church through the Rite of Admission into Full Communion with the Church. And, of course, all of us can renew our own Promises this Sunday – in our own homes. And when the Church doors are opened again we will be able to complete the Renewal of our Baptismal Promises by making the Sign of the Cross with the newly blessed water in the holy water stoops.

I/we renounce Satan, and all his works and empty promises.

I/we believe in God, the Father almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

I/we believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,  
who was born of the Virgin Mary,  
suffered death and was buried, rose again from the dead  
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

I/we believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,  
the holy Catholic Church, the communion of saints,  
the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body and life everlasting.

**A HAPPY EASTER!** It has been a Holy Week and Easter like no other. Even at times of war, floods or famine or at times of persecution, which the Church has faced often in its history, it has always been possible to celebrate Mass and the liturgies of Holy Week somehow or other. But this year has been different: communities of faith – people and priest – have been unable to meet in their own Churches. Bishops and many priests have attempted to celebrate the liturgies of this most holy of times in empty Cathedrals and Churches with only the cold eye of a camera watching and listening so that people can take part from their own homes, but....!

Hopefully it will be unique. At the moment we are missing the familiar but, with the rest of the world beyond our own, we are feeling the pain and experiencing the sacrifice: the Cross. Next year the flowers will smell more beautiful; the singing will be more cheerful; the praying will be more uplifting; our attention to the Word of God more profound: a new Resurrection.

**JACQUI BROOKER:** Please remember Jacqui in your prayers on Tuesday: her funeral will be at Chichester Crematorium and will be conducted by Fr Sebastian from St Richard's. May she rest in peace!

**PARISH WEBSITE:** More and more parishioners have discovered the weekly edition of the Newsletter on our parish website – [www.stwilfridselsey.co.uk](http://www.stwilfridselsey.co.uk). Thanks to those who have been printing an extra copy or two of the weekly Newsletter and popping a copy through the letter box of a neighbour not on the internet. As well as the Newsletter, look out for new features, particularly pages listed under the drop-down menus **News** and **What's On** on the Homepage.

**NUMBERED ENVELOPES:** Our Gift-Aid Co-ordinator – Steve Worley – is combining his daily exercise with distributing boxes of number envelopes to those who haven't yet received their new box.

**SUPPORTING THE PARISH:** Boxes of numbered envelopes can also be used as a method of “planned giving” with or without wishing to Gift Aid their regular donations to the parish. There are a few boxes of envelopes available for anyone who would like to organise their regular giving to the parish using their own special, numbered envelope. Please contact Fr. John for details.

**THE CHICHESTER FOODBANK:** There doesn't appear to be any strong evidence that the “lock-down” is going to end before the end of April at the earliest. Families with children entitled to free school meals during term time may well be increasingly worried about where the next healthy and nourishing meals are going to come from! There are a substantial number children in Selsey that depend on help from the Chichester Foodbank and other support services. If you haven't anything to spare from your larder or kitchen cupboards then please do add something extra to your weekly shopping basket: the Chichester Foodbank may not be able to work miracles, but it can ensure that “every little helps” for families experiencing hard times. Please leave any donations in a special basket inside the porch of the Presbytery.

**“ALTERNATIVE PORCH”** The entrance porch to the Presbytery (No. 12 Church Road) is becoming a temporary “pick-up” and “put-down” point provided that all the usual safeguards are observed..

**ST. CORONA:** pray for us! While St Victor was enduring a long, lingering death of a martyr he was comforted by St Corona who was so moved by his suffering she stayed with him until the end.

PLEASE PRAY FOR: Angela Barnado, Joanne Donoghue, Max Foresheew, Magda Gallanti, Angela Goff, Nell Hassett, David Mortby, Brian Rogers, Cyril Wass and all in the parish who are sick.

*Please speak to Fr. John if you would like the parish to pray for you, or for someone in your family.*

ANNIVERSARIES: Anne Marie Lofting.

