

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

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PARISH PRIEST: Father John Healy

5<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY OF EASTER

9<sup>th</sup>/10<sup>th</sup> May 2020

### Mass is Suspended until Further Notice

Saturday	5.30pm	No Mass	
Sunday	10.00am	No Mass	
Monday		Weekday in Eastertide	No Mass
Tuesday		Weekday in Eastertide	No Mass
Wednesday		Weekday in Eastertide	No Mass
Thursday		St Matthias	No Mass
Friday		Weekday in Eastertide	No Mass
Saturday		Weekday in Eastertide	

### 6<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY OF EASTER

	5.30pm	No Mass	
Sunday	10.00am	No Mass	

Sacrament of Reconciliation: *None this Saturday*

**REG HUNT RIP:** The funeral for Reg Hunt, who died on 26<sup>th</sup> April, will be at Chichester Crematorium on Monday afternoon. The hearse carrying Reg's coffin on his last journey in this world will pause outside St Wilfrid's at 3.00pm so that a prayer and a blessing can be offered in front of the Church in which he prayed and worshipped through the many years he lived in Selsey. The Service will be live-streamed at 3.30pm using the website Obitus: 'phone or email Fr. John or John Bradley for details on how to log-in to the website and for the password for the Service.

**WEEKLY MASS FOR ALL AFFECTED BY COVID-19:** The Thursday evening Mass at 7.00pm, live-streamed from a Catholic Cathedral, will be from St. Mary's Cathedral, Newcastle celebrated by Bishop Robert Byrne, CO, Bishop of Hexham and Newcastle. Next week Bishop Mark Davies will celebrate the Mass from Shrewsbury Cathedral. People belonging to all dioceses of England and Wales can tune in to the Mass each week to pray for all those in the front-line in caring for those in need whether suffering the effect of Covid-19 or related conditions; they can then join with their neighbours in showing their appreciation in the now usual way at 8.00pm. For details visit the Bishops' Conference webpage – [cbcew.org.uk](http://cbcew.org.uk) – or the webpage for the individual Cathedrals.

**MAISIE SHERLOCK RIP:** The funeral for Maisie Sherlock, who died on 29<sup>th</sup> April, will be at Chichester Crematorium on Friday afternoon. Again, the hearse carrying Maisie's coffin will pause at 11.55am outside St. Wilfrid's so that a prayer and a blessing can be offered before continuing its journey to Chichester. The Funeral Service at 12.30pm will be live-streamed using Obitus – 'phone or email Fr. John or John Bradley as above for details on how to log-in.

**CORRECTION!** The spellchecker on the parish computer in the presbytery appears to have a mind of its own: twice it changed the spelling of Deacon Jon's name to John in last weekend's Newsletter! We will double-check the spelling in future editions (The Editor)

**“THE LITTLE BIG SLEEP OUT AT HOME”** For the last few years Stonepillow has organised a fund-raising event in Chichester in support of their local homeless projects (anyone shopping in Chichester before the lock-down couldn't help notice the presence of homeless people in person or their bedding in doorways in the main streets). Many volunteers gather to sleep rough for one night in the Cathedral grounds or elsewhere. However, with the lock-down affecting everybody at the moment the “big sleep out” is going to be a “little sleep out” but “at home” – in gardens or elsewhere. It will be next Saturday night, 16<sup>th</sup> May: log-on to [stonepillow.org.uk](http://stonepillow.org.uk) for details.

**THE CHICHESTER FOODBANK:** Some generous donations to the Chichester Foodbank were left in the Presbytery porch during the last week. Our collecting basket – the temporary one in the porch of No. 12 or the proper one supplied by The Trussel Trust in the Church porch – are cleared at the end the week and taken to the Methodist Church. A Team at the Church, which is designated as a “satellite” of the Chichester Foodbank, sorts and distributes to individuals and families mostly in Selsey. Please note that the Foodbank can only give food parcels to those who have a special voucher that can be obtained from schools, surgeries, churches, voluntary or social care agencies etc. (Fr. John has a supply of vouchers for anyone who would find one helpful at any time.)

**SUPPORTING THE PARISH:** If you glance at the bottom of the page you will see that the weekly report on the Offertory Collection and Church Maintenance Fund has been re-established (after a period when there was little to report when the lock-down was first imposed!). Thankfully, more and more parishioners are finding ways to maintain their support for the parish using their new supply of numbered envelopes, making a standing order in favour of the parish or any other manner. What we can't report, obviously, are special collections or the results of fund-raising activities, but the day will come...! In the meantime, our sincerest thanks to all who have been continuing their support: the April bank statement shows we have just about managed to “hold our own.”

**BISHOP'S PODCAST:** The Bishop's Podcast for the 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter has his usual reflections on the Readings for the day: it can be found on the diocesan website – [www.abdiocese.org.uk](http://www.abdiocese.org.uk). Each edition has lots more besides: this weekend there is a feature on what schools across the diocese have been doing during the lock-down to help out those caring for people who have been affected by the coronavirus – from fundraising to making full sets of protective garments for health workers in the N.H.S. or in care homes.

**“ALTERNATIVE PORCH”** The entrance porch to the Presbytery (No. 12 Church Road) is a temporary “pick-up” and “put-down” point provided that all the usual safeguards are observed: you may collect copies of the Newsletter, the latest edition of “Magnificat” etc.; you may leave donations to the Chichester Foodbank, numbered envelopes etc.

**GREEN FOR GO, GO FOR HELP!** The poster on the notice board in the Porch is now pinned to the external notice board for people to see. It has been produced by The Ecumenical Mental Health Project in Surrey and Sussex and lists contact details for a wide variety of organisations offering support and help, many of them could be very helpful at the present moment.

PLEASE PRAY FOR: Joanne Donoghue, Max Foreshew, 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: Edmund Hughes, Vernon Bowles, Eileen Howard, Liz Bevis. May they rest in peace!

Collections

2<sup>nd</sup>/3<sup>rd</sup> May 2020

Offertory Collection

£276.00p

Church Maintenance Fund

£51.00p