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## **19th April 2020 DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY Year A**

### **Timetable of Masses and Services.**

*As it is not possible to to celebrate public Masses or Services, you can join us online at the following times  
 on [www.rcwlvwest.com](http://www.rcwlvwest.com)*

#### **19th April Second Sunday of Easter - Divine Mercy Sunday**

11.00am Mass online *pro populo*

3.00pm Divine Mercy Devotions

#### **20th April Monday**

11.00am Sytch Lane Cemetery Funeral Service *Ignatius Kelly RIP*

7.00pm Mass online *Jim Hearne RIP*

#### **21st April Tuesday**

9.30am Mass online *Tony Burdon RIP*

#### **22nd April Wednesday**

9.30am Mass online *Mary Rowley RIP*

#### **23rd April Thursday**

7.00pm Mass online *Colette Jones RIP*

#### **24th April Friday**

9.30am Mass online *Harry Hedgecox RIP*

12.20pm Lower Gornal Crematorium Service *Cecilia Sadler RIP*

#### **25th April Saturday**

No Mass online

#### **26th th April Third Sunday of Easter**

11.00am Mass online *pro populo*

*Mass at the Carmelite Convent will be celebrated in private until further notice. The sisters continue to pray for us day and night.*

**Mass online** For those of you who have been able to access Mass online, thank you for all your feedback. For those of you who do not have the internet, it would be lovely if you could pray the Rosary at the time of these Masses.

**Mass intentions** if you would like a Mass offered for someone, please fill in the form on our website or ring Sr Lydwin on 01902 341 343.

**Divine Mercy Devotions** Even if you are not able to access the online services from Church, it would be great if we could all pray the Divine Mercy Devotions together this Sunday afternoon at 3.00pm. The Chaplet of Mercy is recited using ordinary Rosary beads of five decades. The Chaplet is preceded by two opening prayers from the Diary of Saint Faustina and followed by a closing prayer.

*1. Make the Sign of the Cross*

**In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.**

*2. Optional Opening Prayers*

**You expired, Jesus, but the source of life gushed forth for souls, and the ocean of mercy opened up for the whole world. O Fount of Life, unfathomable Divine Mercy, envelope the whole world and empty Yourself out upon us.**

*(Repeat the following verse three times)*

**O Blood and Water, which gushed forth from the Heart of Jesus as a fountain of Mercy for us, I trust in You!**

*3. Our Father*

**Our Father, Who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name; Thy kingdom come; Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil, Amen.**

*4. Hail Mary*

**Hail Mary, full of grace. The Lord is with thee. Blessed art thou amongst women, and blessed is the fruit of thy womb, Jesus. Holy Mary, Mother of God, pray for us sinners, now and at the hour of our death, Amen.**

*5. The Apostle's Creed*

**I believe in God, the Father almighty, Creator of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried; He descended into hell; on the third day He rose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty; from there He will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and life everlasting. Amen.**

*6. The Eternal Father*

**Eternal Father, I offer you the Body and Blood, Soul and Divinity of Your Dearly Beloved Son, Our Lord, Jesus Christ, in atonement for our sins and those of the whole world.**

*7. On the Ten Small Beads of Each Decade*

**For the sake of His sorrowful Passion, have mercy on us and on the whole world.**

*8. Repeat for the remaining decades, saying the "Eternal Father" (6) on the "Our Father" bead and then 10 "For the sake of His sorrowful Passion" (7) on the following "Hail Mary" beads.*

*9. Conclude with Holy God (Repeat three times)*

**Holy God, Holy Mighty One, Holy Immortal One, have mercy on us and on the whole world.**

*10. Optional Closing Prayer*

**Eternal God, in whom mercy is endless and the treasury of compassion — inexhaustible, look kindly upon us and increase Your mercy in us, that in difficult moments we might not despair nor become despondent, but with great confidence submit ourselves to Your holy will, which is Love and Mercy itself. AMEN.**

### **The prayer of Pope Francis to Our Lady for the Coronavirus Pandemic**

*O Mary, you always shine on our path as a sign of salvation and of hope. We entrust ourselves to you, Health of the Sick, who at the cross took part in Jesus' pain, keeping your faith firm. You know what we need, and we are sure that you will provide so that, as in Cana of Galilee, we may return to joy and to feasting after this time of trial.*

*Help us, Mother of Divine Love, to conform to the will of the Father and to do as we are told by Jesus, who has taken upon himself our sufferings and carried our sorrows to lead us, through the cross, to the joy of the resurrection. Amen*  
*We flee to your protection, Holy Mother of God. Do not ignore our prayers in our time of need, but from every danger free us always, O glorious, O blessed Virgin.*

### **Spiritual Communion**

As it is not possible to receive Holy Communion at this time, it is important to remember the tradition of Spiritual Communion. This is a special prayer to recite at the moment of Holy Communion in the Mass. An example of this prayer is as follows:

*My Jesus, I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament. I love You above all things, and I desire to receive You into my soul. Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace You as if You were already there and unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You. Amen.*

**Financial Contributions** This is a difficult time for many people but if you are able to continue giving an offering to the church, please consider paying directly into the parish account. Please follow the directions on our website.

**FOR THOSE WHO ARE SICK:** June Abbiss, Peter Holmes, Alice Stevens, George Brown, Chris Starkey, Ann Lewis, M Mary, Thomas Mackin, Fr David Duggan, Stephen Briggs, Hilary Elsdon, Katherine Poole, Teresa Mitchell, Mary Lawley, Ann Bayley, Helen O'Brien-Coleman, Mary Abbiss, Peggy McHale, Patrick Quinn, Fred & Celia Norton, Jean Hollingshead, Margaret Stokes, Leah Nixon, Pat Pool, John Dolan, Liam Dolan, Marie Looker, Lorna Ciraulo, Pat Eades, Helen Porter, Mary Kirby, Sheila O'Toole, Tony McGinn, Brendan Bleakley.

**FOR THOSE WHO HAVE DIED RECENTLY:** Tony Haden, Ignatius Kelly, Margaret Vicino, Claire Hallett, Mike Huntbatch, Celia Saddler, Susie Andrews, Noreen James. **May they rest in peace.**

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