

OUR LADY IMMACULATE & ST MICHAEL, BATTLE  
with  
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Cycle A for Sundays and Solemnities

Year 2 for Weekdays

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**Private Prayer Sessions  
Battle**

**Monday, Wednesday  
Friday 10am - 11am**

## Parish Newsletter for 12th July 2020 15<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

### • **MASSSES RETURN TO THE PARISH WEEKEND 18<sup>th</sup>/19<sup>th</sup> JULY**

It has been confirmed by Bishop Richard, for the avoidance of doubt, that the obligation to physically attend Mass on Sunday remains suspended at the moment. Nevertheless, it is the intention to recommence Sunday Mass wherever possible, and with this in mind our Dean, Fr Raglan writes: 'Bishop Richard is suggesting that his Episcopal Vicar for Sussex, Fr. Peter Newsam, would come to Battle and Horns Cross in a fortnight, 18/19 July and say the usual Masses on Saturday night and Sunday morning. The proposal would also be that a supply priest continues to say Masses at weekends thereafter whilst Fr. Tony is away.'

Naturally, the practical implications are profound as self-distancing by the 1m+ rule remains essential, so the following rules in line with Diocesan Regulations should be noted and followed scrupulously by us all:

- a. As numbers must be limited, please advise Maggie by e-mail [battle@abdiocese.org.uk](mailto:battle@abdiocese.org.uk) preferably or by telephone 01424 773125 which Mass you wish to attend - Saturday 6pm (Battle), Sunday 9am (Northiam) or 10.45am (Battle), and how many members of your immediate family 'bubble' will be attending with you. This will enable us to allocate appropriate spaces, ensure self-distancing, and have as many parishioners as possible attending. PLEASE NOTE THAT IF YOU DO NOT RECEIVE CONFIRMATION BY 9am ON THURSDAY 17<sup>th</sup> JULY, then unfortunately it will not have been possible to allocate you a space this week. Please do not just 'turn up' for Mass as without having a pre-booked place, very sadly you will not be admitted.
- b. Face coverings **MUST** be worn.
- c. A one-way system will operate. Stewards will be on duty to assist and their instructions must be followed.

- d. Hand sanitisers will be available at entrances/exits and must be used.
  - e. Holy Communion will be distributed under movement strictly controlled by the stewards and offered only in the hand (the priest will sanitise his hands at the altar immediately prior to distribution).
  - f. There can be no singing.
  - g. The sign of peace will be by slight bow to one's neighbours.
- **Church in Battle Open for Private Prayer.** The church is our spiritual home, and parishioners are encouraged to attend if they can **Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays from 10am - 11am**. In line with Diocesan regulations we are in need of more stewards. If you can help for one hour for any of the open days, please let Maggie know by e-mail: [battle@abdiocese.org.uk](mailto:battle@abdiocese.org.uk)
  - If you cannot attend Mass and wish to follow a local live Mass, Fr Eamonn Monson from The Parish of the Good Shepherd in Hastings will stream his 10am Mass on You Tube (in the search bar type in Eamonn Monson). Arundel Cathedral streams Mass here [live stream](https://www.churchservices.tv). <https://www.churchservices.tv> is also a source of streamed Masses.
  - **Food Vouchers** - The Church nationally has received a large donation to assist those having difficulty in affording food. Each parish is offered a supply of £10 Tesco vouchers so if you know of anyone who might benefit, please send contact details in strict confidence to Maggie in the office, preferably by email at [battle@abdiocese.org.uk](mailto:battle@abdiocese.org.uk)

**We pray for the Sick and Housebound Members of our Community:**

**From Our Lady Immaculate & St Michael:** Margaret Thunder, Ingrid Reeves, Jean Jameson, Jo Cooper, Stephen Bould, Pauline Fraser, Dreda Mahoney, Michael Conroy, Andrew Broderick-Ward, Sheila Lilley, Eileen Scott, Madeleine Salter, Gretta Johnson.

**From St Teresa's:** Keith Bourne, Gerard & Joy Scothern & their family, Christine Mooney, June Nottage, Maureen Webster.

**Diocesan request:** Please include Fr Tony Collins in your prayers this week, who is slowly recovering in hospital.

**Saint of the Week - Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> July - Our Lady of Mount Carmel**

This feast honours the Blessed Virgin as patroness of the Carmelite Order. It later came to be associated with a supposed vision of St Simon Stock. Said to have taken place on 16<sup>th</sup> July 1251. Wearing the 'Brown Scapular', a symbol of the Carmelite habit, is a sign of trust in Mary's maternal help, especially at the hour of death.



- As Fr Tony remains away, in cases of special need Fr Raglan Hay-Will may be contacted in Eastbourne on 01323 723222.
- The office is open on Mondays and Thursdays from 9.30am - 12.30pm. If you have yet to do so, please send Maggie in the office your updated contact details, as we would prefer not to have to send too many letters, but use e-mail for contact if possible.
- **The Parish Pastoral Team** send all parishioners their prayers and good wishes. The website will be updated, and a further newsletter issued, in due course.