



# St. Edmund Arrowsmith

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**SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

**YEAR A**

**26th July 2020**

Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time Saturday 4.30pm Sunday 9.30am	Fr Colin Fealey Tony Unsworth
Tuesday in Ordinary Time	Malcolm Boardman R.I.P.
Wednesday Memorial of St Martha Public Mass	Mary Keavney R.I.P.
Thursday in Ordinary Time	Christopher Johnson R.I.P.
Friday, Memorial of St Ignatius Loyola, Priest	Bridie Marron R.I.P.
Saturday, Memorial of St Alphonsus Liguori, Bishop & Doctor	Peter Galloway R.I.P.
Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time	David Nicholson R.I.P.

Our Sanctuary Lamps will

Saturday 25th -  
Friday 31st July  
Catherine Bailey  
Stephen Hampson



We hold in prayer all who are sick in body, mind or spirit and those who care for them, and all those whose anniversaries occur at this time.

Numbers at Mass 18th/19th July

Saturday 44    Sunday 49

## The Celebration of Mass in the Parish of St Edmund Arrowsmith

**St Joseph's Church is now open for Mass**

### Mass times:

**Saturday evening 4.30pm & Sunday morning 9.30am**

There will also be Mass on Wednesday at midday, but this is subject to change.

**For those who can**, please book a place for Mass by ringing the Parish Office 01942 673517 between **Wednesdays and Fridays 9.30am – 3.30pm**. It will allow us to gauge numbers, covers us for insurance purposes at this time and will help if contact tracing is necessary.

The Archbishop has reminded us that the vulnerable should consider the wisdom of returning to Mass too soon, you are not obliged to do so, as the 'Sunday obligation' continues to be suspended and priests have been encouraged to continue with live-streaming and video masses on their websites.

When you come to church please be guided by the instructions of the Stewards – they are there to keep all of us safe and besides, **Mass will be different from what we are used to. For our own safety we have been asked to follow these procedures by the Archbishop; this we gladly do.**

The archdiocese has made a video covering these guidelines – please [click here](#) to view. (The video is also on the Pastoral Area Website)

## Parking/Arrival at church

Please bring a maximum of **ONE** bag with you to church, and if you can manage it do not bring one at all.

There will be no parking in front of the church doors; please use the car park at the side of the church. If the carpark is full, please use the Mather Room carpark.

Do always remember to socially distance from one another, especially when outside the church as you may be asked to wait before you are brought into church. Please remember to queue **2 M** apart.

The Steward will ask you to read the notice board especially the notice regarding symptoms of COVID-19. If you are not on the booking list please give them your name, address, and contact number. If there is more than one of you, the Steward will ask if you are living together or in the same bubble (if you are, you can sit together.)

When you enter the porch, please use the hand sanitiser.

If you have not got a mask you will be given one to wear. **This is mandatory for all above the age of five.**

The toilets cannot be used.

Place your offertory envelope or offertory gift or Mass intention in the basket as you enter church.

## Being taken to your seat

You will be directed to a Steward at the front of the church who will invite you to your seat. **NB this may not be the seat you usually sit in, so please be understanding.** Please remain seated until asked to come forward by the Steward at Holy Communion. Please do not get up to greet your neighbour or another familiar face and where possible sit facing forward and remain seated at all times.

## Whilst inside church

There will be **no singing** (not even the Alleluia). There will be no sign of peace only a head bow in the direction of those around you including those you are sat with.

There are **no newsletters or Mass sheets**. If you have Universalis on your phone (purchased for either IOS or Android smart phones), please use this to follow the Mass but make sure your phone is on silent.

There can be no lighting of votive candles nor praying before the statues as this will compromise social distancing.

## Receiving Holy Communion:

- ✦ Holy Communion will be distributed **AFTER** the final blessing.
- ✦ The priest will wear a visor and will hand sanitise.
- ✦ The priest will say 'the body of Christ' **once** at the start of distributing Holy Communion and you will all reply '**Amen.**' This will not be said again when you receive the host from the priest.

- ✦ Only leave your bench when invited to by the Steward, taking with you all your belongings, as you cannot go back to your bench after you have received.
- ✦ The Steward will ask you to lower your mask as you go forward to receive Holy Communion.
- ✦ Extend your arms to receive the host in your hand: there will only be Holy Communion in the hand.
- ✦ Avoid contact with the priest's hand as this will slow down the distribution of Holy Communion as the priest will have to hand sanitise.
- ✦ Place the host in your mouth and immediately leave through the side door. **YOU CANNOT** go back to your bench.

If you are unable to walk down to receive Holy Communion please inform the Steward who will inform the priest and he will bring Holy Communion to you where you are sat.

### Leaving church.

Use the hand sanitiser on the way out if you wish.

Please go straight out do not hang around and block the exit.

Please do not congregate around the church door as this will prevent other people leaving the church.

I am sorry for all these instructions and guidelines that continue to be given to you as we return to the celebration of Mass but as Archbishop Malcolm continues to remind us, sadly, we are not going back to the way things were before the Pandemic. These instructions and guidelines are in place to keep everyone safe and I thank you for adhering to them.

For those members of our faith communities who are still shielding, I know that you join us through the power of the Holy Spirit. I ask our loving God to keep us safe and well in the weeks and months ahead.

**Take care and God bless you and your families.**

**Fr Kieran**

### Collections

In these difficult times we still your support, so if it is possible for you, you can bring your donation to Church, or you can put your offering through the letterbox at Sacred Heart or St Joseph's (**Please remember to put your Gift Aid number on the envelope if you are signed up for Gift Aid**), or you may want to set up a standing order, the bank details are: HSBC 99-101 Lord St, Liverpool, L2 6PG sort code 40-29-12 account No. 51545205. Also, There is the Archdiocesan online giving website, it can receive both one-off and regular monthly donations. Each parish has its own unique link on the website and a church photograph is shown to provide additional reassurance to donors that they are donating to their parish. All donations will go to the parish selected by the donor. There is a Gift Aid option. The link to the page for St Edmund Arrowsmith's Parish is:

<https://donate.liverpoolcatholic.org.uk/st-edmund-arrowsmith-leigh>

If any parishioners would like support with this, please contact. [kiely@rcaol.org.uk](mailto:kiely@rcaol.org.uk) with name and telephone number and we will endeavour to call to assist as quickly as possible.

If you prefer you can txt your donation

Text [ARROWSMITHNOINFO](tel:07008512345) to 70085 to donate £2. Texts cost £2 plus one standard rate message

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Whatever you decide, thank you for your generosity!

## GLUTEN FREE HOSTS

When you ring or email to book a place, please state if you require a gluten free host and let the steward know on your arrival at Mass. We ask you to please wait and receive communion at the end.

## THE GLORIA & CREED

Laminated sheets with the Gloria & Creed are now available as you enter church. Please leave them in your bench at the end of Mass so that we can collect and clean them.

## UNIVERSALIS

Universalis is an app for IOS and Android devices. It costs £9.99 from the App Store or Google Play Store. It is a very handy app to buy as it has the reading for Sunday and daily Mass, Order of Mass, Morning, Evening and Night Prayer, Office of Readings, the Angelus, the Rosary etc. It used by priests, deacons and lay people. It's a great app to have and I recommend it.

## MOTORIST'S PRAYER

It's a prayer that I've known for many years. Jacqui has very kindly made some prayer cards there are available at you leave church. You are welcome to take one.

## CORONAVIRUS APPEAL

Millions of lives are at stake as coronavirus hits refugee camps and places suffering conflict. Every step we take now will prevent deaths and reduce suffering.

### How is coronavirus affecting vulnerable communities?

Families who have been forced to flee their homes and have lost everything in places like Syria, South Sudan and DR Congo are particularly vulnerable to the virus.

For countries that have had years of conflict, people will struggle to access healthcare. Lockdown in these countries means that many people will suffer a huge loss in income, pushing people further into poverty and putting millions at risk of hunger and malnutrition.

For refugees, such as the Rohingya refugees in Bangladesh, overcrowding and a lack of hygiene facilities in refugee camps means that the spread of the virus will be devastating.

### What is CAFOD doing to help people survive the coronavirus crisis?

We have joined forces with the Disasters Emergency Committee (DEC) to scale up our response, ensuring that no one is beyond reach of the aid they need to survive.

Our valuable experts on the ground understand the challenges and needs in their respective communities. They are able to respond quickly and are already involved in activities that include:

- Delivering food to where it is needed most.
- Improving hygiene, handwashing and sanitation at the community and household level.
- Producing radio messages, posters and leaflets in local languages on risks and prevention.

Training community volunteers to carry out awareness campaigns.

### How can I help?

In order to continue protecting and improving the lives of those in poor communities, your gifts are needed now more than ever. Your essential support will help families survive.

Please visit [www.cafod.org.uk](http://www.cafod.org.uk) to donate or put your donation into an envelope marked Cafod and drop it off at church.

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### At this time

Dear Lord,

At this time of pandemic,

Let us foster respect and solidarity with others,  
especially those who are weak or poor.

Let us remain calm and ignore unsubstantiated rumours.

Let us take advantage of living together as a family.

Let us attend to moments of prayer.

Let us cultivate responsibility, patience and hope.

Amen.

*Prayer adapted from a radio message from Rodolfo Valenzuela Núñez, Bishop of La Verapaz, Guatemala*

