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Priest in Charge Fr. Jim Allen Retired Priest in Residence at Westby: Mgr Aidan Turner 01772 684599

On the Government's orders Holy Family & St Anne's Church are now closed permanently until further notice

On <u>Sundays</u> Father Jim will celebrate Mass at 10.00am. It will be streamed through Facebook and the link is as follows:

https://www.facebook.com/StAnneandHolyfamily/

26/04/20	10.00 am	Frances Moss
27/4/20	9.00 am	Special Intention (MM)
28/4/20		Special Intention (BP)
29/4/20	9.00 am	Frances Hardacre
30/4/20		Jenni Tolley
01/5/20	9.00 am	John Woodworth
02/5/20	10.00 am	Richard Mulhern
03/5/20	10.00 am	Beryl Sergeant

Father Jim will celebrate a Private Mass every day.

The bishops have dispensed you (not me) from the obligation to attend Sunday Mass. However, we should still, and always, observe the third commandment and 'Keep holy the Sabbath Day,' Ex 20:8-11.

As we cannot attend holy Mass we should seek to sanctify every Sunday with personal prayers, or praying together as a family. Examples of these prayers might be the Holy Rosary, Stations of the Cross, reading the scriptures or Sunday Mass readings, reciting suitable hymns, or praying the Mass whilst watching it on-line, listening to Mass on the radio, or on television.

The Bishops' Conference has now closed all churches, but issued a schedule of daily live mass and service times.

<u>Schedule - ChurchServices.tv live mass and services from</u> <u>Churches in the UK and Ireland</u>

Funeral arrangements Will need to be discussed with relatives when the need arises, however the funeral service will take place at the graveside or at a crematorium. The nature of the funeral will be dependent on the conditions laid down by the cemetery and crematorium authorities. Requiem Masses will not, according to the guidelines, be permitted until such time that people can gather in numbers safely. A Mass will be celebrated in memoriam when congregations are allowed to gather. I will celebrate a private Requiem Mass on the day of the funeral should the need arise. Also with my vulnerability (age, asthma and heart failure) I have appointed Mrs Linda Forster to officiate at any funerals during this crisis.(Fr Jim)

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26th April 2020

3rd Sunday of Easter

Congregation	430 views on line
Sick & housebound	2

Anniversaries this week: Peter Wells, Gabriel Hall, James Cavan, Harry Verril, Tom Johnstone, Robert Bilsborrow, William Postlethwaite, Brian Goodlad, James Gallagher

Please pray for the sick of our parish: Betty Robertson, Des Connolly, Tony Flanigan, Marie Foster, George Hopwood, Alexandra, Jo Dearlove, Sharon Noye. Monsignor Aidan Turner. Anna Dunkerley

Thank you to those who are enabling us to view Mass each week through the live stream. This is a real lifeline to the parish and a way of joining together in these hard times. **Thank you to you all.**

FURTHER ADVICE AND RESOURCES FROM THE DIOCESE re CORONAVIRUS

We have received some spiritual resources from the diocese, which are now **on our website**:

- Prayers to say while self-isolating
- Act of Perfect Contrition and Spiritual Communion which can be used when self-isolating
- Encouragement to look after our vulnerable neighbours.

The Parishes' Finances

I know this time isn't going to be easy for all of us physically, mentally, spiritually and financially but can I make an appeal as your Parish Priest and Priest in Charge of Holy Family and St Anne's Parishes?

Both parishes are going to be hit financially through this period because there will be no collections. We will be still paying our monthly levy to the Diocese!!

So, could I suggest that those who contribute envelopes please continue to put your offering in them each week and keep them in a safe place, until the time comes that we resume Public Masses. The easiest way to contribute to the parishes is to set up a Standing Order/Gift Aid Form.

If any of you would like to set up a monthly standing order the details are:

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A Big Thankyou to all who contributed to the appeal this week for Therapy Hand Creams for NHS workers. We managed to raise £220 which bought 27 hand creams. A soon as they arrive, I will be giving them to Debbie Owen to distribute among her colleagues. These workers' hands are really suffering with all the constant hand-washing! Thank you, Carole.