

19TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

FIRST READING (1 Kings 19:9, 11-13)

A reading from the first book of the Kings.

When Elijah reached Horeb, the mountain of God, he went into the cave and spent the night in it. Then he was told, "Go out and stand on the mountain before the Lord." Then the Lord himself went by. There came a mighty wind, so strong it tore the mountains and shattered the rocks before the Lord. But the Lord was not in the wind. After the wind came an earthquake. But the Lord was not in the earthquake. After the earthquake came a fire. But the Lord was not in the fire. And after the fire there came the sound of a gentle breeze. And when Elijah heard this, he covered his face with his cloak and went out and stood at the entrance of the cave.

The word of the Lord.

Response: Thanks be to God

RESPONSORIAL PSALM *Psalm 84*

Response: Let us see, O Lord, your mercy and give us your saving help.

1. I will hear what the Lord God has to say, a voice that speaks of peace. His help is near for those who fear him and his glory will dwell in our land. **R/**
2. Mercy and faithfulness have met; justice and peace have embraced. Faithfulness shall spring from the earth and justice look down from heaven. **R/**
3. The Lord will make us prosper and our earth shall yield its fruit. Justice shall march before him and peace shall follow his steps. **R/**

SECOND READING (Romans 9:1-5)

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Romans.

What I want to say is no pretence; I say it in union with Christ — it is the truth — my conscience in union with the Holy Spirit assures me of it too. What I want to say is this: my sorrow is so great, my mental anguish so endless, I would willingly be condemned and be cut off from Christ if it could help my brothers of Israel, my own flesh and blood. They were adopted as sons, they were given the glory and the covenants; the Law and the ritual were drawn up for them, and the promises were made to them. They are descended from the patriarchs and from their flesh and blood came Christ who is above all, God for ever blessed! Amen.

The word of the Lord.

Response: Thanks be to God

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia!
Blessings on the King who comes, in the name of the Lord! Peace in heaven and glory in the highest heavens!
Alleluia!

THE GOSPEL (Matthew 14:22-33)

The Lord be with you.

Response: And with your spirit.

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew.

Response: Glory to you, O Lord.

Jesus made the disciples get into the boat and go on ahead to the other side while he would send the crowds away. After sending the crowds away he went up into the hills by himself to pray. When evening came, he was there alone, while the boat, by now far out on the lake, was battling with a heavy sea, for there was a headwind. In the fourth watch of the night he went towards them, walking on the lake, and when the disciples saw him walking on the lake they were terrified. "It is a ghost," they said, and cried out in fear. But at once Jesus called out to them, saying, "Courage! It is I! Do not be afraid." It was Peter who answered. "Lord," he said, "if it is you, tell me to come to you across the water." "Come," said Jesus. Then Peter got out of the boat and started walking towards Jesus across the water, but as soon as he felt the force of the wind, he took fright and began to sink. "Lord! Save me!" he cried. Jesus put out his hand at once and held him. "Man of little faith," he said, "why did you doubt?" And as they got into the boat the wind dropped. The men in the boat bowed down before him and said, "Truly, you are the Son of God".

The Gospel of the Lord.

Response: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.



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9TH AUGUST 2020

THE 19TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

The Sunday and Holy Day Mass obligation is suspended until further notice.

Sat	8th	18:15	Maria Lauriello	<i>St Patrick's</i>
Sun	9th	09:00	Doreen Loftus	<i>Our Lady's</i>
	19th Sunday in Ordinary Time	11:00	Eileen McDermott	<i>St Patrick's</i>
		17:00	Mass in Polish	<i>St Patrick's</i>
Mon	10th	St Lawrence, Deacon & Martyr No Mass today		
Tue	11th	12:00	St Clare, Virgin, Religious Founder Gay Kendrick	<i>St Patrick's</i>
Wed	12th	19:00	Ferial Private Intention	<i>Our Lady's</i>
Thur	13th	Ferial No Mass today		
Fri	14th	12:00	St Maximillian Mary Kolbe, Priest & Martyr DRF Dooney Family	<i>St Patrick's</i>
Sat	15th	Ferial		
		18:15	Pat Lennon	<i>St Patrick's</i>
Sun	16th	09:00	Fr Alban	<i>Our Lady's</i>
	The Assumption of the BVM	11:00	Win Parker	<i>St Patrick's</i>
		17:00	Mass in Polish	<i>St Patrick's</i>

Confessions heard by appointment

Newsletter items: newsletter@stpatrickstelford.com
 Please send items by 5pm on Wednesday

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PRAYER REMEMBRANCES

Your prayers are asked for the sick and the housebound and all those who are in hospital, the Hospice or local nursing homes. We remember especially the doctors, nurses and all medical staff at the PRH and RSH; also all the staff at our local nursing homes.

We remember in prayer all who have died, especially **Olive Dawson** and **Winifred Crook** and all who are mourning the death of a loved one, and all whose anniversaries occur about this time.

PRAYERFUL CONGRATULATIONS

We extend our prayerful congratulations for **Fr Robert Dykes** who was Ordained to the Priesthood by Bishop Mark at the Cathedral last Tuesday. We pray that he may have many happy and fruitful years serving the Lord.

LIVESTREAM MASSES

If you are shielding or otherwise can't get to church for Mass you can livestream the Mass from the Cathedral in Shrewsbury. Do notice the change in their Mass times.

At Shrewsbury Cathedral

<http://www.churchservices.tv/shrewsburycathedral>

Sunday Morning: Sunday, 08:00 hrs & 10:00hrs

Weekday Mass: Daily at 12:15hrs.

If you prefer to livestream a more "homely" parish church celebration, then you can always log-on to <http://www.churchservices.tv>. In the "churches" section you will find where livestreaming is now available across the UK and Ireland, and also the schedule of service times.

MONEY MATTERS

Last Sunday's collections:

St Patrick's: £ 1,160.00

Our Lady's: £ 241.50

Many thanks for your continued generosity. We thank all those who have carefully accumulated their envelopes during lock-down and are paying them in together.

PARISH GROUPS

A number of our Parish Groups are still operating – but unfortunately, we are not yet able to offer them space to meet in our church buildings. As soon as we are able, we shall be in touch with them.

READERS & EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS

There are rotas available on the table at the back of church. If you think you can add your name to the next rota please contact Moira via the Parish Office.

DIOCESAN NEWS

The Bishop has made various new appointments within the Diocese – some affecting local parishes.

Fr Tom Cunnah is moving from Shifnal and Albrighton to Holy Angels, Hale Barns, Altrincham as parish priest and as Judicial Vicar and Chancellor of the Diocese; **Fr John Britto** is coming from St Vincent's, Altrincham to replace him at Shifnal and Albrighton.

Fr Owen Gallagher is moving from the Cathedral and St George's, Whitchurch to join the Wythenshawe Team Ministry. **Fr Thaddeus Opara** is leaving the Team Ministry to move to Whitchurch.

Fr Robert Dykes (newly ordained) has been appointed as Assistant Priest at St Vincent's, Altrincham.

We wish them every blessing as they take up their new appointments in September; and look forward to warmly welcoming Fr John in Shifnal and Albrighton.

Two priests who have served our parishes are retiring: **Fr John Joyce** (a former Parish Priest of St Patrick's) and **Fr Chris McCurry** (a former Parish Priest of Our Lady's). We wish them both a happy and healthy retirement.

A MESSAGE FROM THE STEWARDS

Please try to reserve your place early in the week and only between **9am and 11am** on 01952 242423. If you leave a message on the answerphone, please leave your phone number. We will ring you back if we have no space. Alternatively, you can email us using ccntelford@gmail.com.

Some of our Masses have been full up and require careful juggling of the seating plan. Please do not assume you will sit in the same seat every time. We do try to accommodate but not everyone can "sit at the back".

Please sit in the exact seat you are allocated. The 2m distance has been carefully calculated in both churches to ensure your safety.

Please let the stewards know if you will need communion brought to you at your seat.

Once the safe limit of the building is reached, we are not able to accommodate any more people. The doors are closed at the beginning of Mass so our stewards can sit during the service.

We need more stewards! If you are under 70 and do not suffer with an underlying condition, please consider helping out. Please email Moira with your details and availability on ccntelford@gmail.com.

MASKS



From Saturday, 8th August, face coverings will be compulsory in places of worship, therefore you will need to wear one to attend Mass.

We thank the Telford multifaith group for a kind donation of visors and disposable masks for our helpers and Dorota and Karolina from the Polish Support Group for their donation of reusable masks.

If you need a reusable, washable mask for in church, please ask one of the stewards.

VIRTUAL LOURDES PILGRIMAGE 2020

Fr Alban thanks all those parishioners who supported last week's liturgies which formed part of our "Virtual Pilgrimage", including those from the Polish community.

Thanks must go to all those who planned and presented our liturgies.

Having missed out on the "real thing" this year, our thoughts now turn to planning for the 2021 Pilgrimage to Lourdes.



THIS YEAR'S A-LEVEL RESULTS

Having not taken exams this year, please keep in your prayers on Thursday the young people who will receive the allocated A-Level grades according to their course work.

OFFERTORY ENVELOPES

With the resumption of Mass, we can distribute the new supply of envelopes. When you book your place at Mass, let us know that you are awaiting the new envelopes, and we can safely ensure that they are available.

If you would like to begin giving via envelopes there are spare boxes available.

SVP ST PATRICK'S

The St Vincent de Paul Society is here to help you. We are a small group of parishioners who support people in the Wellington area.

If you or someone you know is in need of support or just a chat, please contact us and we will help if we can. We can directly help people through befriending via phone calls, or offer limited financial assistance e.g. to purchase household items, food or clothing.

You can contact us by:

- email - SecretaryF180606@svp.org.uk
- phone - SVP National Office 07587 035 121
- leaving a message at the parish office.

PARKING IN FRONT OF ST PATRICK'S

Over the last weeks Wellington Town Council has employed some new parking wardens. These are anxious to make their presence felt. Last Sunday a number of those attending Mass found their vehicles booked!

Don't forget to observe the yellow lines in the lay-bye in front of the church; and the wide expanse of tarmac in front of the car park is a pavement – not part of our church car park! Plough Road alongside the church is a one-way street – to park facing the wrong way is a bit of a give-away!

There is usually plenty of space in the car park at Wellington rail station – free of charge.

CAFOD MESSAGE

Cafod has joined the national charity appeal to help alleviate suffering at this time due to the pandemic.

If you want to be part of the Catholic response via Cafod, you can either contact them directly or drop something into the offering box as you come into church marked "Cafod" and we shall forward it to them.

Please visit cafod.org.uk/coronavirus to find out ways you can give, act and pray in response to this crisis.

Last weekend, the G20 – a meeting of world leaders – failed to support some of the world's poorest countries as it refused to cancel their debt. Pray that finance ministers – including the UK's Chancellor, Rishi Sunak – will review this decision. And pray that countries who are burdened with debt will be able to access the resources and funding they need to respond to the pandemic.

THE FRIENDS OF MYANGA

Just to update on Myanga. We are obviously not going to be able to hold any fundraising events this year due to the present situation.

Fortunately, at the beginning of the year we received donations from various people totalling just over £ 702.00. Since lockdown we have banked a further total of £1,250 anonymous donations bringing our total so far for 2020 to £1,952.33p.

We are most grateful for these donations, it has made a real difference to the Sisters in Myanga who are also living with coronavirus and supporting the very poor local people with food, medical supplies, the needs of children and many other calls for assistance.

Sister Gertrude has written to say they are so thankful to our parishioners for their generosity and all are remembered in their daily prayers and they pass on God's Blessing to you all.