

Worth Abbey Live Streaming-
<https://worthabbey.net/spiritual-resources/liturgy-live-streaming/>

Dear Parishioners

I hope that you and your families all stay well, and that you are finding the spiritual resources to cope with lock down, and, indeed, to encounter some blessings in these extraordinary times. While many are facing the anxiety of possible unemployment and the financial stress which comes with this, I hope that you will find some solace in a rhythm of life which is perhaps less hectic and which involves less travelling and allows more opportunities for prayer and to spend time with your families. Do please share any of your experiences which you think might be helpful to other readers. I send my prayers for you all.

You may have read on the parish website that we can now open the church for private prayer. The entrance will be by the far, west, door of the narthex. If anyone is unable to manage the stairs, please tell the steward, who will show you to the lift.

I hope that you will all have found the material from **Refugee Week** as moving as I do. In case you missed it, I especially recommend the interview between Sarah Teather and Austin Ivereigh. Sarah is the director of the Jesuit Refugee Service (JRS) in the UK and Austin is a well-known author who has written two fine books about Pope Francis. In the interview they talk about the work of JRS during lock down, and the particular struggles which asylum seekers and migrants face just now, and the way in which Pope Francis has acted and spoken in favour of their protection. See [:https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=L1sRJnxETq0](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=L1sRJnxETq0)

At the end of the coming week we have the **Refugee Tales**, an annual activity involving walking, stories and music. This year there's a special invitation for everyone to make their own walk and send in photos of bridges, and to enjoy the entertainment on-line.

The organisers write :

Refugee Tales is going ahead 3 to 5 July online and you can access all the events for free from the website over those three days www.refugeetales.org We ask people to walk in solidarity during that time and the walk doesn't have to be long, it can be just an hour - it's the intention rather than the length that is important. If you do walk in solidarity, please send us a photo or reflection. We'd love a photo on the theme of 'bridges' to emphasise how we are connected around the world in our call for a future without detention. We'll have a way you can share photos via the website that shows where in the world people are walking in solidarity, and of course you can send to refugeetales@gdwg.org.uk or post on social media using [#RTOnline](https://twitter.com/RTOnline), too. Please join us!

Should you need a face mask, do consider The Saffron Stitch : [The Saffron Stitch](#) is a business started by someone with lived experience of detention who writes: 'Without Refugee Tales and the GDWG from which it grew there would be no Saffron Stitch.' Take a look at the very beautiful [website](#).

Please look for more information on our own website :

<http://www.worthabbeyparish.co.uk/> and <http://www.worthabbeyparish.co.uk/social-action/gatwick-detainees-welfare-group/> <http://www.worthabbeyparish.co.uk/refugee-tales-3rd-5th-july-2020/>

Anniversaries

Please pray for the Souls of Lesley Sayward; Dom Edward Cruise; Jim Higgins; Setna McQuillan; Anthony Holland; Mitch Rozum; Charles Thompson.

Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them, may they rest in peace. Amen.

Prayers

Please pray for refugees, especially for those who are in detention and those who live locally.

Please pray for the healing of Laura Rawlinson. Please pray for her family.
Please pray for all in need of healing and those who care for them.

Please pray for those who live alone, especially our own parishioners.

Please pray for all who are suffering from mental illness.



Please pray for Fr Patrick, who is now back at Worth, but receiving treatment regularly at the Marsden Hospital.

Parish Finances

I would like to thank very much all those of you who have been generous enough to change from using Gift Aid envelopes to making a standing order in favour of the parish. At this moment when we have no congregation in church our income has fallen by about £750 per week in the absence of the plate collection. If anyone else could consider making a standing order I would be most grateful. Do please get in touch with the parish and we will send you the necessary forms.

Thank you very much.
Fr Paul

Next Week's Readings : Sunday 14 in Ordinary Time, Year A Zechariah 9: 9-10; Romans 8: 9, 11-13; Matthew 11: 25-30

Monday : (week 13 in Ordinary Time) Amos 2: 6-10, 13-16;
Matthew 8: 18-22

Tuesday : Amos 3: 1-8; 4: 11-12; Matthew 8: 23-27

Wednesday : Dedication of the Cathedral

Thursday : Amos 7: 10-17; Matthew 9: 1-8

Friday : St Thomas : Ephesians 2: 19-22; John 20: 24-29

Saturday : Amos 9: 11-15; Matthew 9: 14-17

For children and young people :

Every Sunday join [CAFOD's Virtual Children's Liturgy](#) at 10.00am.

In the light of school closures CAFOD has resources for [primary school children and young people](#).

**For the foreseeable future, Maria will be on furlough.
The parish priest will all be in contact through email and will pick up your telephone messages.**

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In Touch: If you would like anything to appear in 'In Touch', please contact us at parish@worth.org.uk (By Wednesday morning.)