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2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time - 16th/17th January 2021

Saturday 16th January	2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time	11am - 12noon	SSPP	Confessions
		5pm 6pm	SSPP STJ	John McGuire RIP Mass in Polish
Sunday 17th January	2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time	9am	STJ	Rose & Dennis Heptonstall
		11am	SSPP	People of the Parish
		5pm	SSPP	Rachel and Family
Tuesday 19th Jan	Feria	7pm	STJ	Fr John O'Donnell
Weds 20th Jan	Feria	10am	SSPP	Rose and Tony Scanlon
Thurs 21st Jan	Feria	Pvt		Deceased Prendergast, McLoughlin, Keane families.
Friday 22nd Jan	Feria	10am	SSPP	Stella and Phil Purcell
Saturday 23rd January	2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time	11am - 12noon	SSPP	Confessions
		5pm 6pm	SSPP STJ	Frances Swanson RIP Mass in Polish
Sunday 24th January	2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time	9am	STJ	Ints of Pat Kelly
		11am	SSPP	Frances McLaughlin RIP
		5pm	SSPP	Ints John & Mary Piggott

Book a place at Mass at
www.eventbrite.co.uk/o/st-peter-and-st-paul-swadlincote-30679012264

Masses on YouTube/Facebook

Masses will continue to be uploaded to YouTube on Wednesday, Friday and one of the Sunday Masses. <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCgfxBWFA1ef8WTBfY8LKK7Q>

We will also try to live stream on the parish Facebook page one of the Sunday Masses.

National Lockdown Guidance from gov.uk (January 2021) **Communal worship and life events**

You can leave home to attend or visit a place of worship for communal worship, to attend a funeral or event related to a death, to visit a burial ground or a remembrance garden, or to attend a wedding ceremony. You should follow the guidance on the safe use of places of worship and must not mingle with anyone outside of your household or support bubble. Weddings, funerals and religious, belief-based or commemorative events linked to someone's death are all subject to limits on the numbers that can attend.

Latest update on the safety and opening of churches

1. Health professional research to date indicates that the new virus variant is as well controlled by social distancing and mitigations as the old. Further studies are taking place for a more concrete verification on this matter.

2. HMG stressed that there would be no blanket closure of places of worship. They asked that each Place of Worship should re-evaluate their own local situation and examine all factors that could affect the good covid security demonstrated by places of worship so far. This is to include (but is not limited to):

- Sufficient stewarding and management of the venue
- Sufficient cleaning after acts of communal worship
- Maintaining good social distancing in the space available along with good ventilation
- Factors affecting travel to and from the place of worship, such as public transport
- The length of exposure time for an act of worship is critical and should be minimised – anything that is not necessary should be omitted.
- Those who have gathered for worship should not mingle before or after the service outside of the church. They should disperse immediately.
- All non-essential worship should be postponed or cancelled.

3. The officials noted that keeping covid secure places of worship open for public worship adds no extra burden to the NHS and provides recognised benefits for the community.

4. The task force expressed with great clarity that the role of the Local Authority is one of enforcement of closure in particular circumstances on the basis of evidence of lack of COVID security.

5. PHE will conduct an exercise in mapping exposure risks from different venues across the country for better data.

Please remember the following:

Please Don't mingle

Don't come to Church if you have symptoms or been asked to isolate/shield.

Hand Sanitise your hands on entering and leaving the Church.

Wear your Mask properly (unless you have medical reasons not to)

Follow the stewards' instructions

Let's continue to pray for all those suffering from Covid, the medical staff who care for them, the scientists working to eliminate the disease and advise the government, and those in government and the civil service who are charged with the responsibility of keeping us all safe.

Information about Sacraments

Confession - Available on Saturday (11am - noon) at SSPP and also on request.

Baptisms - Sadly we can't arrange Baptisms to take place in the current restrictions.

Sacrament of the Sick - If you or a loved one is nearing the end of life, please contact Fr Neil who will come to administer the Sacrament of the Sick. If you or loved one is in hospital please advise the doctors/nurses that you are Catholic and would want a priest to come in. Fr Fabian is the hospital chaplain but can only come when called by the ward!

Mass intentions - please note that we don't have any free Mass intentions until mid February. If you have a specific date you want, please let Fr Neil know asap.