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MEMORIA PASSIONIS

All Hallows Eve

confronting our fears

1

Praying with words

God of life and death,

You made us, and everything that has ever been.

In this peaceful place, we are still surrounded by reminders of those who have died.

In these scary times, we may be facing our fears of death more.

Help us to remember that you are with us all the time, no matter what. Help us to know that even death cannot stop love. Be with us when we are afraid. AMEN.

Praying with your senses

Run your hands over a gravestone. What does the stone feel like? Are there pictures on it? What do you think those pictures mean? Say the name of the person who is buried here and pray for them.

Then touch your stomach and your forehead. Usually when we're scared or worried, these parts of our body hurt. Feel the warmth of your body's life. Ask God to help you with any fears or worries you have. Then take three deep breaths in and out.

All Saints

remembering those whose lives inspire us in faith

2

Praying with words

What stories have you heard about saints? Some of the more famous ones are Mary, St. Joseph, and St. Paul of the Cross. Many people also consider people like Martin Luther King Jr., who fought for a more just world, to be saints, even if they aren't officially.

What different ways are there to be saints? What associations does the word have for you? Is there a saint with your name? Is there one who reminds you of you? Is there a saint you would like to be more like?

Praying with your senses

If you have a smartphone or camera with you, go around the churchyard and take some pictures of:

Anything you can find with a saint's name on it or any statues of saints (is the church named after a saint?)

Anything that makes you think of death and new life.

Share these pictures on social media with the hashtag #RememberTrail and, if you can, tag this church in

All Souls

remembering our own beloved dead

3

Praying with words

He shall feed his flock like a shepherd, and he shall gather the lambs in his arms, and carry them in his bosom, and shall gently lead those that are with young. (Isaiah 40:11)

Jesus said, "Blessed are those who mourn, for they shall be comforted." (Matthew 5:4)

"The home of God is among mortals. He will dwell with them;

they will be his peoples,

and God himself will be with them; he will wipe every tear from their eyes. Death will be no more;

mourning and crying and pain will be no more, for the first things have passed away." (Revelation 21:3-4)

Praying with your senses

Find a quiet place to sit. Place your hands on your knees or on your belly and close your eyes. Focus on what you can hear – birds? Traffic? Voices? If thoughts arise, acknowledge them and let them go.

After a minute or two of listening, say out loud the names of anyone you love who has died. What does it feel like to hear their name(s) spoken?

If you would like to talk to someone about loss and grief, contact

Remembrance

honouring the sacrifice of those in war, and praying for peace

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Praying with words

Ever-living God,

We remember those whom you have gathered from the storm of war into the peace of your presence.

We pray for all who in bereavement, disability, and pain continue to suffer the consequences of fighting and terror.

May your peace calm our fears, bring justice to all people, and establish harmony among the nations, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Praying with your senses

Open the boxes and smell the rosemary and the myrrh. Rosemary is associated with remembrance and death – it used to be used often at funerals. In ancient times, myrrh was used on bodies to prepare them for burial. How do these smells make you feel? Do they remind you of anything?

If there is a war grave nearby, leave a bit of rosemary on the grave and say the name of the person who is buried there. You can also say the names of anyone you know who has died as a result of war. Pray that all people may live in peace.

Christmas Masses

We are now preparing for our Christmas Masses. To enable maximum attendance in compliance with applicable COVID-19 guidelines, the Parish will offer additional Masses on Christmas Eve and Christmas Day. Bookings for these Masses are now open on the Parish's Diocesan website: <https://parish.rcdow.org.uk/highgate/events/>. Attendance at all Masses remains capped at 90 persons, so please pre-book now for Christmas!

Weekend Masses

Please pre-book your attendance at Mass online! This is quick and easy to do at the Parish's Diocesan website: <https://parish.rcdow.org.uk/highgate/events/>. Doing so each week will eliminate the need to sign-in on paper, reduce the queue at the doors, and enable our stewards to admit everyone quickly. Attendance at all Masses remains capped at 90 persons, so please pre-book and arrive early!

2020

First Holy Communion

SATURDAY, 14 NOVEMBER

Group A Mass: at 11:00am

Group B Mass: at 12:30pm

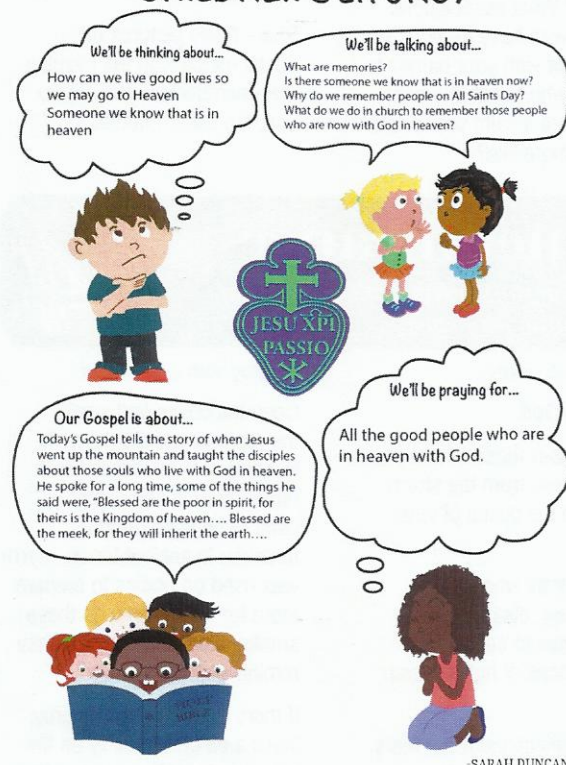
Thank you for your cooperation and understanding as we accommodate our First Holy Communicants and their families to ensure proper social distancing.

BOOKING
YOUR PLACE
AT MASS



Mass Times - Saturday Vigil: 7PM,
Sunday: 8AM, 10AM, 12 NOON & 7PM,
Weekdays: 9:30AM
Sacrament of Reconciliation
Saturday: 10AM - 10:30AM, 6:30PM - 6:45PM,
Weekdays: Immediately after Mass (On request)

CHILDREN'S LITURGY



100 Club Results

The delayed August Draw for the 100 Club was held in the Monastery during the week. The number of entries was 112 and the winners were: £400 Pat Kennedy (45), £100 Dominic Jukes (102), £50 Mrs. Marie Hogan (187). We will be catching up over the coming weeks with the outstanding draws which were not held during lockdown.



Lately Dead

+Jackie Taylor
+Anthony Nolan
+Thomas Goldrick
+Michael Carragher
+ Nora Rodgers

Anniversary

Jack Sullivan
Patrick Condon
Maureen Willman
Teresa Hartford
Mary & Martin Joyce
Mick Faherty
Tanoo Mylvaganam

Diary dates for Confirmation Group

Monday, November 26 10am -12pm

Fetch books from Monastery reception

Sunday, November 22 11.15am-11.45 am

Candidate, Plus 1 Parent

- Meet Bishop Nicholas Hudson
at St Joseph's for a special blessing

November 28, 10 am - 3pm

Candidates Confirmation training session,
parent(s) 2-3 pm for Mass.

Confirmation dates

Jan 23 1130am: Group1; Candidate plus 5 guests.

Jan 30 1130am Group2; Candidate plus 5 guests.

(Groups to be decided.)



We can't exist without the generosity of the people that call Holy Joes home. When we give generously, we share in the true nature of God's abundant love.

Last week's collection amounted to £1516. Thank you very much.

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THE SPREAD OF CORONAVIRUS

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