

## Paws for thought

I read an interesting little story recently.

The community of a Rabbi was attacked and being mistreated. The Rabbi went into the forest found a little spot where he could make a sacred fire, said a special prayer asking for protection for his people. God granted him a miracle. Something similar happened a whole generation later but now there was a new Rabbi following in his master's footsteps, he went into the forest, found the place where he could make the fire, but he said "Lord I don't know how to light the sacred fire.

I do know the special prayer; but maybe you will save the people... and they were again saved. Another generation passed and we have another persecution. Again, the new Rabbi went into the forest. This time he said, "Lord of the Universe, I don't know how to light the Sacred fire, and I don't know the special prayer but I still remember the place he prayed: "O Lord, help the people."

God gave another miracle.

An old Rabbi in his wheelchair went again before God and said "I don't know where to light the sacred fire nor do I know the special prayer and I can't even find the place in the forest. All I can do is tell this story, maybe God will still answer my prayer"....

All blessings, Anam & Jerry

**VISITORS TO ST GEORGE'S CHURCH: WELCOME!**

**We are happy to say that the church is open on Saturdays from 10am to noon for private prayer. Please come in and share the peace of this place.**



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**Sunday 16 August 2020**

**THE ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY**

**Year A/Office Week 4**

**Readings this Sunday: Apocalypse 11: 19, 12: 1-6, 10; I Cor 15: 20-26; Luke 1: 39-56**

**Mass Intentions: Sunday Parish Community; Wednesday Janet Kay**

**THIS WEEK**

**Mon:**

**Tue:**

**Wed:**

**Thur: St Bernard: Abbot, Martyr**

**Fri: St Pius X: Pope**

**Sat: The beheading of St. John the Baptist**

**You must wear a mask in church from now on, to conform to government guidelines. Thank you**

**CONFESSION IS AVAILABLE IF REQUIRED. PLEASE CONTACT FR. JERRY. (PHONE NO. AND EMAIL ABOVE)**

### **Covid-19 Pandemic**

Guidance on public liturgies and church activities changes from time to time. There is more information on the Diocesan Website. The obligation to attend Mass remains suspended.

**Mass is live-streamed** on Sundays from many churches, including our own. They are listed on the diocesan website (where you can also read the Catholic Voice). Mass from St George's can be seen on YouTube and facebook.



## PARISH NEWS AND INFORMATION

**BULLETIN:** Please email bulletin items, names of recently dead, anniversaries to [bulletin@stgeorgeschurch-york.uk](mailto:bulletin@stgeorgeschurch-york.uk) or post them through the Rectory letter box on Wednesday mornings, clearly marked BULLETIN.

**Mass Intentions** should be sent to Fr Jerry who will hold them over until Mass can be celebrated again in church.

If you would like to receive the bulletin by email please email [bulletin@stgeorgeschurch-york.uk](mailto:bulletin@stgeorgeschurch-york.uk)

**COLLECTIONS/GIFT AID:** Several people who normally use the gift aid envelopes have requested to move to standing order. If you contact Ann Middleton on 07885134115 or [ann-middleton@btconnect.com](mailto:ann-middleton@btconnect.com) she will forward the necessary form. Otherwise, gift aid envelopes can be put through the rectory letter box, as can cash (preferably in a bag/envelope).

**THE SVP MEETINGS:** Members are maintaining contact with our sick and housebound via the telephone. Should you encounter anybody whom the SVP may be able to assist, please contact Steve Holder via Canon Jerry.

**CAFOD VIRTUAL CHILDREN'S LITURGY:** Join CAFOD on Sundays at 10am for a live children's liturgy. A recording is available to watch later. You have to sign up at CAFOD's website to join in at <https://cafod.org.uk/Education/Children-s-liturgy>

**PRAYING WITH THE SUNDAY READINGS:** St Beuno's Outreach in North Wales produces materials each week to pray with the Sunday readings. Find out more at either of these websites  
<https://stbeunosoutreach.wordpress.com/>  
<https://www.pathwaystogod.org/my-prayer-life/sunday>

**FAIR TRADE STALL:** For those of you who are missing St George's Fair Trade Stall and who wish to support farmers in the developing world, our suppliers, Fairer World, York will deliver goods free of charge. See their website [www.fairerworldyork.co.uk](http://www.fairerworldyork.co.uk)

**OUR CHURCH IS OPEN FOR MASS AND PRIVATE PRAYER**

### WE NEED YOUR NEWS!!

August is quiet at the best of times – and these are not the best of times. There are few events to publicise, so old news is still here, as it's better than a blank space!! But if you have any news/photos to share, the bulletineers would be delighted to see them! News of our young people (or older ones!) who are working/studying away from York would be particularly welcome... Please help! Send info to the bulletin email address.. Thank you!

the church website, St George's Facebook and WhatsApp group, and on the church noticeboard outside.

If you feel you could volunteer to help steward at Masses or at prayer sessions, please email your contact details, and what you could offer in terms of time, to the bulletin email address: it will then be passed on to Dave Harper, who is drawing up the rotas.

### **HOW TO BOOK FOR MASS *No need to print and bring the ticket with you to Mass***

Wednesday 19 August <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/115763665239>

**Or you can ring 07885 134 115 to book by telephone**

Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/115749555035>

Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/115763831737>

Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/115750688425>

**If you are willing to read at Mass please indicate this on the booking site**

We are also investigating whether we can create 'QR Codes' for use on mobile phones as an alternative to typing in the whole link. [These are now available, but we need to find a way of fitting them into the bulletin. Meanwhile, if you press Control, then click on the links above, it will take you straight to the booking page.]

From Sunday 9 August, in response to feedback received, we are trialling a 'Household Bubble' ticket for Sunday Masses. This is made available for households of between 3 and 5 people who commit to all sit in the same bench at Mass.

St George's Church now has its own You Tube page on the internet. We've found that this is the best way to store and publish video recordings of our Masses. To find St George's page on You Tube just search 'St Georges Church York' on You Tube or follow the link below

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCY2FMKcf74iHMs4i77H4GA/>

If you are thinking of attending Mass for the first time after lockdown, we've created a short video clip on the following link that describes a few guidelines:

<https://youtu.be/J6ZdsYZraBk>

If you press the 'Subscribe' button on our You Tube page you will get a notification each time a new video is added.