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Dear Faithful,

Here is an important extract from the letter which Cardinal Sarah with the approval of Pope Francis sent to the bishops of the world urging them to have the people return to the mass. I encourage you to read the whole letter which will be circulated and posted on the website:

“This time of deprivation gives us the grace to understand the heart of our brothers and sisters, the martyrs of Abitinae (beginning of the 4th century), who answered their judges with serene determination, despite a sure death sentence: “Sine Dominico non possumus.” The absolute verb *non possumus* (we cannot) and the significance of the neuter *non Dominicum* (this which is the Lord’s) cannot be translated with a single word. A very brief expression sums up a great wealth of nuances and meanings that are offered to our mediation today:

--- *We cannot live*, be Christians, fully realizing our humanity and the desires for good and happiness that dwell in our hearts without the Word of the Lord, which in the celebration of the liturgy takes shape and becomes a living word, spoken by God for those who today open their hearts to listen;

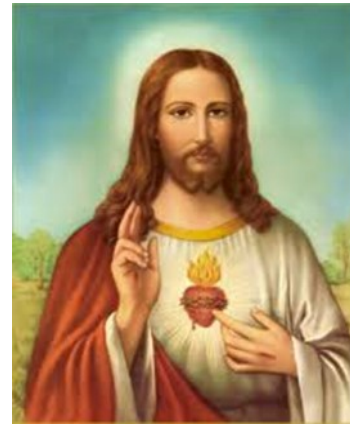
--- We cannot live as Christians *without participating in the Sacrifice of the Cross* in which the Lord Jesus gives himself unreservedly to save, by his death, humanity which had died because of sin; the Redeemer associates humanity with himself and leads it back to the Father; in the embrace of the Crucified One all human suffering finds light and comfort;

--- *We cannot be without the banquet of the Eucharist*, the table of the Lord to which we are invited as sons and daughters, brothers and sisters to receive the Risen Christ himself, present in body, blood, soul and divinity in that Bread of heaven which sustains us in the joys and labours of this earthly pilgrimage;

--- *We cannot be without the Christian community*, the family of the Lord: we need to meet our brothers and sisters who share the sonship of God, the fraternity of Christ, the vocation and the search for holiness and the salvation of their souls in the rich diversity of ages, personal histories, charisms and vocations;

--- *We cannot be without the house of the Lord*, which is our home, without the holy places where we were born to faith, where we discovered the provident presence of the Lord and discovered the merciful embrace that lifts up those who have fallen, where we consecrated our vocation to marriage or religious life, where we prayed and gave thanks, rejoiced and wept, where we entrusted to the Father our loved ones who had completed their earthly pilgrimage;

--- *We cannot be without the Lord’s Day*, without Sunday which gives light and meaning to the successions of days of work and to family and social responsibilities.”



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Day	Date	Time	Place	Liturgical Calendar	Mass Intention
Sunday	20	11.00am	SK	25th Sunday	Adrian Surley
Monday	21	11.00am		Requiem Mass	Alan Birks RIP
Tuesday	22	12.00 noon	SP	Feria	NDL
Wednesday	23	10.00am	SK	St Pius (Padre Pio)	NDL
Thursday	24			Our Lady of Walsingham	NDL
Friday	25	6.30pm		Feria	NDL
Saturday	26	4.00pm	SP	BVM on Saturday Vigil	NDL
Sunday	27	11.00 am	SK	26th Sunday	Pro Populo

SP = Spilsby SK = Skegness

“Dear children! In this peaceless time in which the devil is harvesting souls to draw them to himself, I am calling you to persevering prayer, so that in prayer you discover the God of love and hope. Little children, take the Cross in your hands. May it be your encouragement for love to always win, in a special way now when the Cross and faith are rejected. You be a reflection and an example with your lives that faith and hope are still alive and a new world of peace is possible. I am with you and intercede for you before my Son, Jesus. Thank you for having responded to my call.” (Message Medjugorje 25 July 2020)

RIP: Alan Birks RIP died last week our condolences go to Wendy and the family. Funeral will be this Monday.

PRAYERS USED AT MASS

The Angelus: Devotion to the Incarnation - Morning, Noon and Evening.

V. The Angel of the Lord declared unto Mary,
R. And she conceived of the Holy Spirit. Hail Mary, etc...

V. Behold the handmaid of the Lord.
R. Be it done unto me according to Your Word. Hail Mary, etc...

V. And the Word was made flesh,
R. And dwelt among us. Hail Mary, etc...

V. Pray for us, O holy Mother of God.
R. That we may be made worthy of the promises of Christ.

Let us pray:

Pour forth, we beseech You, O Lord,
Your Grace into our hearts;
that as we have known the incarnation of Christ,
your Son by the message of an angel,
so by His passion and cross
we may be brought to the glory of His Resurrection.
Through the same Christ, our Lord. Amen.

St Michael Prayer: Prayer of protection Very powerful

Saint Michael Archangel,
defend us in battle,
be our protection against the wickedness and snares of the devil;
may God rebuke him, we humbly pray;
and do thou, O Prince of the heavenly host,
by the power of God, cast into hell
Satan and all the evil spirits
who prowl through the world seeking the ruin of souls.
Amen.

"At that time Michael, the great prince who protects your people, will arise. There will be a time of distress such as has not happened from the beginning of nations until then... But at that time your people—everyone whose name is found written in the book—will be delivered. Multitudes who sleep in the dust of the earth will awake: some to everlasting life, others to shame and everlasting contempt. Those who are wise will shine like the brightness of the heavens, and those who lead many to righteousness, like the stars for ever and

NOTES ON LITURGY

Please make sure you read the attached letter concerning mass since at the present time attendance at mass has to be booked. Please be patient as we become familiar with the diocesan guidelines. We shall have to under government guidelines keep your postal address for 21 days.

Some other important points:

1. As the kneelers are not in use, we shall stand for the Eucharistic Prayer.
2. Candles: At Skegness please give Father an envelope with your intentions and a donation if you wish and he will ensure that the candles are lit for you. Or alternatively email him at the parish address opposite.
3. Mass will be shorter and the toilets are closed but if you do need to use one just see the stewards.

For services at Spilsby:

Tuesday 12.00 noon and Saturday 4.00pm please contact either:
Mary Flynn 01790 754563 of Patrick Doyle 01507 481072

For Services at Skegness:

For Sunday or Wednesday contact **Jacinta Lewis** by the day before each service. You will need to provide contact details. You can contact Jacinta as follows: 01754 820644 email: jacintalewis21@aol.com

For Friday contact Fr Dominic on: 01754 762528 or email sacredheartandspilsby@gmail.com.

CONFESSIONS

Confession is an essential sacrament and it can easily be celebrated without problem it is a little concerning how few people wish to avail themselves of the sacrament. At Spilsby I shall now hear confessions from 3.30pm in the Lady Chapel or in good weather on the lawn outside. If you wish to use the confessional, that is your right but just let me know.

At Skegness Either book an appointment and if you wish to use the confessional that can be organised. Or from 10.15am on Sunday morning I shall be available in the presbytery. Come to the back door of the presbytery—entrance from car park. It is a priest's duty to make confession available, so I am at your disposal.

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