

## The Catholic Parish of St Richard, Skelmersdale

The Churches of St Mary Queen of Apostles, St Richard and St Francis of Assisi, Skelmersdale.

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### **Pastoral Area 13 Under the patronage of St John Rigby**

**St Richard, St Mary & St Francis Skelmersdale; St. Teresa Upholland;**

**St Marie of the Annunciation; Standish & St Bernadette Shevington;**

**St Joseph Wrightington; St James Orrell; Our Lady & All Saints Parbold.**

### **PARISH PRIEST**

**Fr. Kenny Hyde P P**

### **Deacon**

**Rev. Anthony Callaghan**

### **17<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (B)**

<b>Saturday</b>	<b>24<sup>th</sup> July</b>	
St Mary	5:00pm	People of the Parish
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>25<sup>th</sup> July</b>	<b>17<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (B)</b>
St Richard	9:00am	The Connor Family
St Francis	11:00am	Mary Jeffers (1 <sup>st</sup> Anniversary) Mary Fenlon (1 <sup>st</sup> Anniversary)
<b>Monday</b>	<b>26<sup>th</sup> July</b>	<b>Ss Joachim and Anne, Parents of the Blessed Virgin Mary</b>
NO MASS		
<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>27<sup>th</sup> July</b>	
St Francis	9:30am	Agnes and Tom Jones
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>28<sup>th</sup> July</b>	
St Mary	9:30am	Michael Banks
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>29<sup>th</sup> July</b>	<b>St Martha</b>
St Richard	9:30am	Bretta Davies
<b>Friday</b>	<b>30<sup>th</sup> July</b>	<b>St Peter Chrysologus, Bishop and Doctor of the Church</b>
St Richard	9:30am	Brenda Carrington
<b>Saturday</b>	<b>31<sup>st</sup> July</b>	<b>St Ignatius of Loyola, Priest</b>
St Mary	5:00pm	Elizabeth Delaney
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup> August</b>	<b>18<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (B)</b>
St Richard	9:00am	Terrance and Pat Reevey RIP
St Francis	11:00am	James Burn and Margaret Haynes

Masses at St Richard's are also live streamed. Links to the live streaming can be found on the Parish web site.

### **Remember those who need our prayers**

Bill Ware, Sr. Eva McHale,  
Brenda Lockhart, Ellen Murphy,  
Arthur Davies, Adaliene Houghton,  
John Bragg, Debbie Martin,  
Tony Spencer, Nick Sales, Liam Rae,  
Jennifer Walker, Pauline Perry,  
Brian Carr, Sick Teenager,  
Siobhan Miller, Billy Rainford

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### **A message from John Roberts**

"I'd like to thank everybody who supported my sponsored walk a couple of months ago, in memory of Captain Sir Tom Moore. I have donated the money raised, £176, to Age UK and you can see their acknowledgement on the notice board at the back of church.

Thanks again.

John Roberts"

### COVID UPDATE – from the Archdiocese

Due to the fact that the pandemic is far from over it is not the intention to restore an obligation to the attendance at Sunday Mass at this point.

People should be reminded of the importance of keeping Sunday holy and if possible attending Mass weekly.

In preparation for the legal changes to Covid regulations that will come in to force on Monday July 19<sup>th</sup> this is what is being offered as the way forward for each parish in the Archdiocese.

Face coverings will remain mandatory for all those coming to a church service. (Exemptions for medical reasons excluded.) Social distancing will not be mandatory in our churches. If you have a building that can keep a section for those who would feel safer and less vulnerable by maintaining socially distanced benches and sitting you could do so. Hand sanitising will remain necessary as people arrive. (There will be no need to sanitise benches or people at the end.) It would be good to have a steward available to remind people to do this as they come in. The capacity of each church will depend on point 2 above. The numbers for weddings, funerals and baptisms are limited by the capacity of each building.

Liturgical questions:

Holy Communion (in the hand) should be restored to its traditional place and with a procession (trying to accommodate those who wish to retain social distancing.) It is recommended that a steward be used to invite people to the Communion procession row by row. Communion on the tongue is permissible but it must take place at the end of Communion and the priests must use sanitiser after each communicant has presented themselves. Holy Communion under both kinds will not be re-introduced at this time. Mass will end in the traditional way.

Singing can be restored.

Hymn books and service books can be used but only once a day.

The collection basket/plate should still not be passed around.

The Procession of Gifts may be restored (encouraging the use of sanitiser.)

The sign of peace can be restored but without any touching, ie by a gesture.

In Baptisms continued care is to be observed.

Home visits can resume with appropriate caution.

Further details may emerge in the coming weeks.

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### The Synod - recommendations feedback.

Recommendation Number	Recommendation	Number of people who chose this as one of their three most important
01	Evangelisation	91
02	Lay Ministry	104
04b	A more inclusive church	75

The table above gives a summary of the top three most important recommendations, chosen from parish representatives and other members who attended the Synod on 19th June. A full description of the all of the recommendations and the votes they received, what they mean and more information about the next steps, can be found on line at:- <https://synod2020.co.uk/results>