



# Our Lady and St Edward's

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## 26th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

## 27th SEPTEMBER 2020

### HOW TO BOOK TO ATTEND MASS

For Saturday Mass 6.00pm, please ring 863084

For Sunday Mass 8.45am, please ring 861073

(For 10.30 Mass at St. Mary's, Newhouse, ring 860940)

When to ring? Just from 10am-12,00 and 2.00pm-5.00, Thank you.

The agent gives you a seat number. PLEASE WRITE IT DOWN, bring it with you, and tell the first indoor steward your number.

If everyone physically sits with their back against their allocated number, we know we are keeping the right SPACE between us.

Our social distancing doesn't work if people lean forward from their seat to chat to others in benches near them. Please maintain the SPACE.

**CONFESSION:** Jesus died to bring us peace by forgiveness. Let's be glad this sacrament exists, and receive it often! Saturdays, 10am in OLSE church. Or ring 862437, to arrange.

The Virus could be in anybody. To help find it and isolate it, those with more recent smart-phones first download the NHS Covid-19 App. Then on the church doors you find a poster at which you can point your phone and scan our QR code. The Bishop encourages parishes to make this available. A different code for the Parish Centre, in case you go in there. (No 'pings' – good news!) To reduce risk of infection, don't get any nearer to the poster than needful.

IF YOU HAVE A SEAT BOOKED AT MASS, BUT CAN'T ATTEND, please let the booking clerk know without delay, to release the seat for someone else who might otherwise not get in.

'Lord, make me know your ways.  
Lord, teach me your paths.  
Make me walk in your truth,  
and teach me:  
For you are God my saviour.'  
(Psalm 24)



**SPECIAL COLLECTION next weekend (3rd/4th Oct) for the Holy Places and to help the Christians** who live in the Holy Land, some of whom are in dire straits. . (Collection usually taken during the Good Friday, service, but lockdown stopped that.) There is an envelope in your pack, unless you've already handed it in. Please help if you can. There will be a box, separate from the parish collection bucket.

### CARING FOR OUR COMMON HOME

Season of Creation 1 Sept – 4 Oct.  
**NEXT WEEKEND** 3rd/4th Oct our Mass will have a Creation theme. We'll ask God to strengthen the resolve of those who lead us, but we'll also ask God's grace to do **what we can** and should to be more moderate ourselves in using and consuming the world's resources.

**DURING THIS WEEK**, let's prepare by writing down a couple of resolutions that we make, as we pray and think about how to reverse climate change. I suggest we bring to the Mass a note of a climate-friendly resolution we've made. For hygiene reasons we don't take it out of our pocket, but we ask God to strengthen our determination.



Jesus came to do his Father's will, and was utterly faithful to it. In Gethsemani he felt desperate, but relied on his Father to bring him through.

The faithful Lord does not despise our weakness. It is not nice words that impress him, but whether in the end we really turn to him.

**PRISONERS' SUNDAY** is to be on Oct 11th, clashing with Cafod Harvest Day collection. In case you would like to support the Catholic work for prisoners and their families, there is a box at the door **TODAY on behalf of Pact (the Catholic agency)**. There is no envelope in your pack.