

FURTHER MESSAGE FROM ARCHBISHOP TARTAGLIA

My dear Brothers and Sisters,
In an effort to help halt the spread of the coronavirus, on top of the suspension of public Mass and other acts of worship, following Government advice, we now need to close our churches. I had hoped that this would not become necessary, but it has.

The new golden rule in this battle against the virus is that we should all stay at home, if possible, and that, outside the home, no group larger than two persons should form. We are all a bit anxious just now. I know I am. The coronavirus will have mild effects in the vast majority of people, but, according to the experts, we can expect confirmed cases of the virus to rise and fatalities to grow in number. At the same time, our leaders and medical officers have advised us that staying at home will halt the spread of the virus, lessen suffering and save lives.

I do not want to do anything that encourages people to come out of their homes, or that causes people to gather in a group of more than two, or that might contribute in some way to the spread of the virus through some hidden contagion. Churches therefore have to close - even for private visits.

The full package of restrictions is therefore as follows:

- Closure of churches
- No marriages in church
- No baptisms in church
- No home visits to the sick
- Funerals limited to the Act of Committal at the graveside or crematorium

Thankfully, government directives still allow for the livestreaming of Masses and other acts of worship from behind closed doors. I encourage you therefore to follow Mass online, and, as you do, to make an Act of Spiritual Communion asking the Lord to come into your heart through the grace of the Holy Spirit, even though you

cannot receive him sacramentally in Holy Communion.

Mass is celebrated online from the Cathedral every weekday at 8.15am, 1pm and 5.15pm, and on Sundays at 10am and 12 noon. You can follow these Masses at www.cathedralg1.org

It is important to be aware that, if you need any personal pastoral or sacramental care, please call or email your parish priest, and he will discuss with you how best to help you in the circumstances.

I encourage you to pray unceasingly in your homes for a halt to this epidemic, for those who are suffering, for all doctors, nurses and healthcare workers, and for our civic leaders. Here again you can access news updates and online prayer resources at the www.rcag.uk and other Catholic websites.

Let us together put our trust in God the Father who created us with a loving purpose.

Let us together put our trust in God the Son, Jesus Christ, who, through his death and resurrection, conquered sin and death, so that death will never have the last word in human destiny.

Let us together put our trust in God the Holy Spirit who sanctifies us and gives us the strength to do what is right in every circumstance.

Let us together continue to seek the intercession of the Blessed Virgin Mary, St Michael & All the Holy Angels, St Andrew, St Ninian, St Mungo, St Columba, St Margaret, St John Ogilvie and All the Saints, that the human race will come through this time safely.

My dear friends, stay at home, keep safe, and may God bless us all.
Yours devotedly in Christ,

✠Philip Tartaglia
Archbishop of Glasgow
Glasgow, 24th March 2020

LIVE STREAMING

Mass will be celebrated every day at 10.00 am by Mgr Paul and live-streamed from the oratory at the Chapel House. It is

available through the parish Facebook page. It can be accessed using this link: <https://www.facebook.com/St-Helens-RC-Church-Langside-303057629718550/?fref=ts>

It has been pointed out that it appears possible to access this without actually having a Facebook Account. In addition to the Mass, there will also be a short prayer service live-streamed by Mgr Paul every day (except Sundays) at 7.00 pm

WEBSITE

Please check the parish website regularly for updates and information.
(www.sthelenslangside.org.uk)

FINANCE

A personal message from Mgr. Paul:
I have to say again that I have been really humbled by the generosity of many who have begun standing orders or who have made donations to ensure that we can maintain our commitments in the face of such a reduction in our weekly income. Some have even sent donations by post or put them through the letterbox. This is all the more amazing since I am very conscious of the anxiety being experienced by many about their own financial uncertainty.

I have given the EXACT details of the parish bank account again below – new regulations mean that the longer form of our account name must be used, although I am disappointed to hear from some parishioners that they have still encountered problems because of the apostrophes and commas. Most of them have been patient and tried different combinations without punctuation and have ultimately been successful.

“ARCHDIOCESE OF GLASGOW ST HELEN'S, LANGSIDE NO 1 ACCOUNT”
Sort Code: 83-07-06
Account No: 16851275



SICK

We remember all the sick of the parish.

RECENTLY DECEASED

Moira Docherty, Moira Moran

ANNIVERSARIES

Nessie Fagan

Mass Intentions

If you would like to request a Mass to be said for any intention, please phone the Chapel House (0141 632 2626) or e-mail sthelen@rcag.org.uk Mass offerings should be deferred to better times! The Mass will be offered as usual.

PRAYER TO SAINT MICHAEL
St. Michael the Archangel, defend us in battle. Be our defence against the wickedness and snares of the Devil. May God rebuke him, we humbly pray, and do thou, O Prince of the heavenly hosts, by the power of God, thrust into hell Satan, and all the evil spirits, who prowl about the world seeking the ruin of souls. Amen

but in the spiritual, since the Spirit of God has made his home in you. In fact, unless you possessed the Spirit of Christ you would not belong to him. Though your body may be dead it is because of sin, but if Christ is in you then your spirit is life itself because you have been justified; and if the Spirit of him who raised Jesus from the dead is living in you, then he who raised Jesus from the dead will give life to your own mortal bodies through his Spirit living in you.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Jn11:25, 26

Glory and praise to you, O Christ!
I am the resurrection and the life, says the Lord;
whoever believes in me will never die.
Glory and praise to you, O Christ!

GOSPEL

John 11:3-7,17,20-27,33-45

Mary and Martha sent this message to Jesus, 'Lord, the man you love is ill.' On receiving the message, Jesus said, 'This sickness will end not in death but in God's glory, and through it the Son of God will be glorified.' Jesus loved Martha and her sister and Lazarus, yet when he heard that Lazarus was ill he stayed where he was for two more days before saying to the disciples, 'Let us go to Judaea.' On arriving, Jesus found that Lazarus had been in the tomb for four days already. When Martha heard that Jesus had come she went to meet him. Mary remained sitting in the house. Martha said to Jesus, 'If you had been here, my brother would not have died, but I know that, even now, whatever you ask of God, he will grant you.' 'Your brother' said Jesus to her 'will rise again.' Martha said, 'I know he will rise again at the resurrection on the last day.' Jesus said: 'I am the resurrection and the life. If anyone believes in me, even though he dies he will live, and whoever lives and believes in me will never die. Do you believe this?' 'Yes, Lord,' she said 'I believe that you are the Christ, the Son of God, the one who was to come into this

world.' Jesus said in great distress, with a sigh that came straight from the heart, 'Where have you put him?' They said, 'Lord, come and see.' Jesus wept; and the Jews said, 'See how much he loved him!' But there were some who remarked, 'He opened the eyes of the blind man, could he not have prevented this man's death?' Still sighing, Jesus reached the tomb: it was a cave with a stone to close the opening. Jesus said, 'Take the stone away.' Martha said to him, 'Lord, by now he will smell; this is the fourth day.' Jesus replied, 'Have I not told you that if you believe you will see the glory of God?' So they took away the stone. Then Jesus lifted up his eyes and said: 'Father, I thank you for hearing my prayer. I knew indeed that you always hear me, but I speak for the sake of all these who stand round me, so that they may believe it was you who sent me.' When he had said this, he cried in a loud voice, 'Lazarus, here! Come out!' The dead man came out, his feet and hands bound with bands of stuff and a cloth round his face. Jesus said to them, 'Unbind him, let him go free.' Many of the Jews who had come to visit Mary and had seen what he did believed in him.



Saint Helen, Pray for us

SUNDAY MASSES:

Vigil (Saturday) 5.30 pm; 9.00 am,
11.00 am and 5.00 pm

MONDAY TO SATURDAY

Rosary at 9.30 am, Mass at 10.00 am followed by
Stations of the Cross

MONDAY, WEDNESDAY, FRIDAY:

Additional Mass at 7.30 am

CONFESSIONS:

Saturday 10.30 – 11.00 am and 6.15 – 6.45 pm
Thursday 7.00 – 7.30 pm

ADORATION:

Wednesdays after 10.00 am Mass until 1.00 pm

ROSARY AND NOVENA:

Thursday at 7.00 pm

HOLY DAYS OF OBLIGATION

Masses on holy days of obligation are at 7.30 am,
12.30 pm and 7.30 pm

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5TH SUNDAY OF LENT – 29TH MARCH 2020



The raising of Lazarus

FIRST READING

Ezekiel 37:12-14

The Lord says this: I am now going to open your graves; I mean to raise you from your graves, my people, and lead you back to the soil of Israel. And you will know that I am the Lord, when I open your graves and raise you from your graves, my people. And I shall put my spirit in you, and you will live, and I shall settle you on your own soil; and you will know that I, the Lord, have said and done this – it is the Lord who speaks.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Psalm 129(130)

R/ With the Lord there is mercy and fullness of redemption.

SECOND READING

Romans 8:8-11

People who are interested only in unspiritual things can never be pleasing to God. Your interests, however, are not in the unspiritual,