

**St. Cuthbert's.**

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**Times of Mass and Confession:**

**Sundays and Weekdays: No Public Mass in St. Cuthbert's or Our Lady's due to Government Restrictions.**

Dear Parishioners,

My apologies for the lack of a newsletter last weekend. It was not a good weekend for me. Progress is very slow and I am now waiting for a scan before I see the consultant. It is very frustrating and slow progress.

I continue to be so very grateful for the cards and assurances of prayers and practical support I have received from you and from the staff in the Primary School. I am not as far out of the woods as I had hoped to be. I hope all the staff and pupils a good break however they spend it.

In the meantime a very heartfelt prayer and thanks go to those who have kept both Parishes running in these difficult days which show no sign of coming to an end in the near future.

As soon as the restrictions are lifted I will, health permitting, along with Father Martins, get back on track.

The Archbishop has asked that the following be brought to your attention.

**Faith in the Time of Covid**

Archbishop Cushley invites you to join the remaining series of Sunday talks from distinguished speakers who will offer their thoughts and approach to the pandemic. Each event is free and lasts 30 mins. All events will be broadcast on YouTube at [bit.ly/ArchYouTube](http://bit.ly/ArchYouTube)

**Dr Mary Rice Hasson**, 5pm, 07 Feb. Register [bit.ly/FaithCovid-Hasson](http://bit.ly/FaithCovid-Hasson)

**Professor John Haldane**, 5pm 14 Feb. Register: [bit.ly/FaithCovid-Haldane](http://bit.ly/FaithCovid-Haldane)

**Rt Hon Gordon Brown**, 5pm, 21 Feb. Register [bit.ly/FaithCovid-Brown](http://bit.ly/FaithCovid-Brown)

**Couples' Retreat**

Married and engaged couples are invited to a Valentine's retreat. It features specially prepared video reflections from Canon John Udris, Spiritual Director at St Mary's College, Oscott (Birmingham), to help you grow together in Faith. It takes place on Zoom at 3:00pm, Saturday 13 February and lasts 90 mins. This is a free event organised by the Archdiocesan Marriage Commission. Register now at [bit.ly/CouplesRetreat2021](http://bit.ly/CouplesRetreat2021)

**INSPIRE - Lent Talks (image attached)**

Register now for the Archdiocese's INSPIRE talk series for Lent. Guest speakers will guide you prayerfully through the season. All talks on Zoom, 7-8pm.

**TALK 1:** *Becoming Saints Today: Unlocking the Present Moment*, with Sr Anna Marie McGuan. 7pm, Tue 16 Feb. Register: [bit.ly/LentMcGuan](http://bit.ly/LentMcGuan).

**TALK 2:** *Songs of the Redemption: The Benedictine Liturgy of the Hours*, with Brother Joseph Carron. 7pm, Tue 02 Mar. Register: [bit.ly/LentCarron](http://bit.ly/LentCarron).

**TALK 3:** *Prayer as a Relationship Reflected in St Teresa of Avila*, with Sr Sally Rollo. 7pm, Tue 16 March. Register: [bit.ly/LentRollo](http://bit.ly/LentRollo)

**TALK 4:** *Praying the Passion according to St Mark*, with Archbishop Leo Cushley. 7pm, Tue 23 March. Register: [bit.ly/LentCushley](http://bit.ly/LentCushley)

**Pro-Life Stations of the Cross**

Stations of the Cross, organised by the Archdiocesan Pro-Life Office, will take place each Monday evening of Lent at 7:45pm. The Stations will be followed by a short reflection by one of our priests. You can register now on Eventbrite: <http://standrewsandedinburgh.eventbrite.com>

**Marriage courses**

If you are getting married you must give the parish priest at least six months' notice and you will need to attend a marriage preparation course. Here are the available dates: **March** - Friday/Saturday 26/27. **April** - Friday/Saturday 23/24 **May** - Friday/Saturday 21/22. Spaces are filling up fast so please register now in consultation with the parish priest. Download an application form from the Resources section at <https://archedinburgh.org/pastoral-governance/marriage-families/>. Alternatively, email [irene.furlong@staned.org.uk](mailto:irene.furlong@staned.org.uk) (0131 623 8900). Marriage courses are currently taking place on Zoom.

**St Margaret Lecture**

Sister Catherine Droste OP will give this year's St Margaret of Scotland Lecture. Archbishop Cushley will conclude the event with a reflection. It takes place online on Wednesday, 10 February, 4:00-5:30pm. Registration details at <https://events.st-andrews.ac.uk/>

*With every best wish and Blessing  
To you, your families  
and those who are dear to you  
Monsignor Tony and Father Martins.*