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Remembrance Sunday

This has always been a very important Sunday in the Carmelite Church. Today is the first Remembrance Sunday ever that we cannot have public Masses in our church – even when the old church was destroyed February 20th 1944 Masses were held in the temporary chapel in the priory. However this must not stop us remembering and praying for those who died in the wars and for their loved ones who endured tremendous loss and suffering.

Let us begin by remembering **Fr. Simon Stock Knapp OCD DSO MC** who died in Flanders August 1st 1917. He was a member of the Carmelite Community here at Kensington and had served for many years as a military chaplain both in the Boar War and the World War. At the time of his death he was perhaps one of the best-known “Padres” in the British army for his long and distinguished service. He is buried in Dozinghem Military Cemetery, Belgium. Perhaps our thoughts today could go back to the people gathered in the Carmelite Church Friday August 10th 1917 for the Solemn Requiem mass for Fr. Simon. Their prayers would not only have been for Fr. Simon but also for their own loved ones. There would not have been a person in the Church who would not have a relative or friend who died in the war.

It would have been no different in the Second World War. Every Sunday during both wars members of families who came to this Church and people who lived in the neighborhood would have been remembered and prayed for. The remembering was very personal and immediate. The sense of loss and grief would have been compounded by the destruction of their much loved Church – a Church people flocked to every day during both world wars seeking consolation, spiritual support and peace. Our prayers and our remembering today join us with all those people. The passing of years does not separate us – prayer unites us with our brothers and sisters who have gone before us and to whom we owe an enormous debt.

Today we face different challenges. The lock-down prevents us from gathering as a community for Mass. Many of you join us by live-stream and pray in your own homes and other quiet places. We open the Church for private prayer each day and we very much encourage you to come to the Church and spend some time in silence and prayer.

Notices

N.B: Revised Timetable from 5/11/2020 until 2/12/2020

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

Our church will remain open for personal prayer and adoration in the following hours of the weeks during the lockdown;

Monday to Saturday:

**8.30 am to 9.30 am
11.00 am to 12.00 pm
4.30 pm to 5.30 pm**

On Sundays:

**9.00 am to 9.30 am
10.45am to 12.00pm
4.30 pm to 5.30 pm**

The Holy Eucharist will be celebrated behind the closed doors everyday: To join us for Holy Mass you may either log into our website: www.carmelitechurch.org or at YouTube: Kensington Carmelite Church;

Mass Times

Monday to Saturday: 8.00 am, 12.15 pm and 6.00 pm

Sundays: 8.30 am, 10.00 am, 12.15 pm and 6.00 pm

❖ Prayer in Difficult Times – Talks by Fr. Matt Blake OCD

Drawing on the Carmelite tradition to help us pray and live deeply our Christian lives during this time of lockdown.

Monday November 9th

Monday November 16th

Monday November 23rd

Monday November 30th

Times: 10.00am and repeated at 8.00pm

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You Tube “Kensington Carmelite Church”

A new message from the Cardinal is on the HOMEPAGE of the website