



Dear Friends,  
*This newsletter is for the month of August. I don't intend doing one every week. Sorry to disappoint you. I will however be doing an audio homily on what's app. Let me know if you would like it.*

*The feeding of the five thousand spells out one thing, very clearly, the sheer generosity of Jesus. Enough and some left over.*

*It also shows very clearly that when God is in our heart we are capable of great acts of kindness.*

*As we live our lives these days we may be called to do great acts of kindness, be open to your neighbour and the power and goodness in your own heart.*

*There is much pain and suffering out there, in these days of pandemic, often through no fault of people, be kind, be supportive, be helpful. Another day it may be you.*

**LAUDATO SI**

*The urgent challenge to protect our common home includes a concern to bring the whole human family together to seek a sustainable and integral development, for we know that things can change. The Creator does not abandon us; he never forsakes his loving plan or repents of having created us. Humanity still has the ability to work together in building our common home.*

*Here I want to recognize, encourage and thank all those striving in countless ways to guarantee the protection of the home which we share. Particular appreciation is owed to those who tirelessly seek to resolve the tragic effects of environmental degradation on the lives of the world's poorest. Young people demand change. They wonder how anyone can claim to be building a better future without thinking of the environmental crisis and the sufferings of the excluded. Pope Francis.*

*FR SIMON.*

*A big welcome to Fr Simon from Uganda who will be with us for the month of August. I'm sure he will be at home among us as usual.*

*I hope to go away for a few days here and there, but overall I should be around most of the time. Hope you get time to relax.*

**GOOD PRACTICE**

MASS TIMES FOR THE MONTH OF AUGUST.

SUNDAY.....8.30AM  
10.00AM  
12.00 NOON

MONDAY.....10AM

TUESDAY.....10AM

WEDNESDAY .....7PM.

THURSDAY.....10AM

FRIDAY.....7PM

SATURDAY.....6PM

**PLEASE. PLEASE.**

1. Wear a mask out of respect for others.
2. Bring a paper with your name and mobile number or address.
3. Respect social distancing.
4. Sanitise hands on entry and leaving.
5. Come to mass off peak, during the week to avoid overcrowding on Sundays.
6. VOLUNTEER.

**SUNDAY OFFERTORY**

Again I ask you to please consider doing a standing order. You just tell your bank you wish to give so much to St James every month/week. Even if you have gift aid envelopes you can still do it. Then you don't use your envelopes. Forms on website or I have hard copies.

Thanks to all who have already done so.

*Lots of love, Stay safe, Fr Jack*