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THE YEAR OF ST. JOSEPH



DATE

Sunday 24th October
2021

SUNDAY

Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Year B

DIVINE OFFICE

Week 2

Live-streamed Masses: Sunday at 9.30am and all weekday Masses.

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| <u>Saturday 23rd October</u> (1 st Mass of Sunday) | 6.00pm | Monica Packington RIP (J&PC & GF) |
| <u>Sunday 24th October</u> Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time | 9.30am 11.30am | People of the Parish Int. of Audrey & Tony Burns (A&TB) |
| <u>Monday 25th Oct</u> Feria | 9.15am | Francis Patton RIP (KW) |
| <u>Tuesday 26th Oct</u> Feria | 9.15am | Denis Healy RIP (FH) |
| <u>Wednesday 27th Oct</u> Feria | | No Services Today |
| <u>Thursday 28th Oct</u> Ss. Simon & Jude Apostles Feast | 7.30pm | Evelyn Hawkley RIP (BB) |
| <u>Friday 29th Oct</u> Feria | 9.15am | People of the Parish |
| <u>Saturday 30th October</u> Our Lady Saturday Memorial (1 st Mass of Sunday) | 9.30am 10-11am 6.00pm | Edward O'Brien RIP (BO'B) Exposition, Confession & Benediction (D&TM) Int. of Bert Mercer (96th Birthday) |
| <u>Sunday 31st October</u> The Solemnity of All Saints | 9.30am 11.30am | Tomas Daly RIP (D&VD) Margaret Jones RIP (Angela H) |

Pope Francis:

Participating in a Synod means taking the same path of the Word made flesh: following in His footsteps, listening to His word and the words of others, discovering with amazement that the Holy Spirit always surprises us with fresh paths and new ways of speaking.

Data Protection – Live-streaming

Sunday 9.30am Mass, and all weekday Masses, will continue to be live-streamed. The camera is situated at the front of the church so that only the Sanctuary is visible. If, however, you are sitting on the left side of the church you will become visible, in a way in which you might be recognisable, for a brief moment as you return from receiving Holy Communion. If you do not wish to appear on the live-stream please ensure that you are seated on the right of the church.

Retiring Collection

This weekend, **23rd/24th October** the Church celebrates World Mission Sunday. We will therefore be holding our annual collection for **APF (Missio)** at all Masses over this weekend. This collection goes toward supporting the important work of the many missionaries called to proclaim the love of Christ in those parts of the world where the Gospel has not yet been heard. Please give generously to this important cause.

Whetstone Over 50's

The Whetstone Over 50's Group meets every 2nd Monday of the month. Come along for an afternoon of light-hearted fun, a friendly chat together and a cup of tea or coffee and maybe a biscuit or two. Are meetings are varied with speakers, demonstrations, quizzes and visits. Come along and see, you will be most welcome.

Pope's Prayer Intention

The Pope's prayer intention for the month of October is: **Missionary Disciples**. We pray that every baptised person may be engaged in evangelisation, available to the mission, by being witnesses of a life that has the flavour of the Gospel.

Sick in the Parish

Please pray for all the sick in the parish, that God will bless and comfort them. Please remember especially:

Mary Brough, Joe Bannister, Morris Moseley, Max Miotk, Leo Jones, Margaret Healy, John Wynne, Maura McGarry, Juliet Woodhall, Pat Hopley, Luke Smith, Catherine Shepherd, Keiron Sanders, Jim Smith, David Goodwin, Nancy Levell, Antonio Bigongiari, Olivia ^(Dotty) Cutler, Ann & Keith Allford, Deacon John Higgins, Joan Hart, Emma Jones, Anna Morgan ^{née Meehan}, Margaret Cooper, Holly Brady, Mike Mander, Jo Cooke, Anne Humphreys, Pat Gray, Paul Mott, Theresa Chandler, Fr. Paul Chamberlain, Cath & Paddy Breen, Max Lewis, Marguerite Baxendale, David Piggott, Clare Cooksey & Áine McDonagh.

We pray also for those who are suffering as a result of COVID-19, and for all who carry the burden of their illness privately. May the Lord grant them His healing and peace.

50-50 Club

The Parish 50/50 Club draw takes place every 4th Sunday of the month and costs £5 per number with a chance of winning one of the four cash prizes, the 1st prize being £150. Half of the money raised goes to supporting the parish. To enter you simply need to complete a Standing Order Form for the monthly £5 subscription

If you are interested in joining in with our monthly Parish 50/50 Draw please speak to either Fr. Craig or Sue W.

Remembrance Sunday



Sunday 14th November will be Remembrance Sunday this year. The usual civic ceremony will take place at the War Memorial in Aldridge from 10:45am.

As Fr. Craig will be participating in the ceremony, there will be no 11:30 Mass on the 14th, and this also signals the end of the 11:30 Masses here at St. Mary of the Angels.



Catholic Agency for
Overseas Development

Live Simply Prayer – Week 48

(Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time)

Today we pray for all those engaged in spreading your gospel in countries across the world, but especially for missionaries who are persecuted on your account. Lord, hear and answer our prayer.

Thank You for supporting our climate Crisis Appeal for our recent Family Fast Day. Every donation helps us in our work and is gratefully received.

Please pray for the success of the upcoming UN climate talks in Glasgow, COP26 from 31st October to 12th November. There are prayer cards at the back of church; please do take one and pray that the world leaders will put the needs of the marginalised communities around the world, those most affected by climate change, right at the heart of these climate talks. For more information see cafod.org.uk.COP26

May the Holy Spirit inspire all political leaders at COP26 and instil in them the courage to implement fairer solutions for the most vulnerable.

British Summer Time Ends



Please don't forget that British Summer Time ends next Sunday morning at 02:00am so remember to set your clocks back next Saturday night.

Recently Deceased

Of your charity please pray for the repose of the soul of **Margaret Jones**, on whose soul sweet Jesus have mercy, may she rest in peace. Please also remember in your prayers **Leo** and all of the family, at this difficult time.

Thank You –Elena S

Thank you for including Laoiseach Nolan name in your prayers for the sick. Laoiseach, who was very ill in hospital with Covid during her pregnancy, is now recovering and she and her husband Karol have a healthy baby boy. *Deo Gratias.*

Craft and Natter

There will be no Craft and Natter on Tuesday 26th October because of half term. We will be back at 11:00 on Tuesday 2nd November, looking forward to seeing some new faces? For more information, please call Christine on 07900604902



St Mary of the Angels Primary School are running two open events for prospective Nursery and Reception parents applying for places in the academic year 2022/23. These are taking place on **Thursday 4th November** at 9.30am and **Thursday 2nd December** at 1.30pm.

Adult Catechesis

We have begun our programme of Adult Catechesis for those preparing to be received into Full Communion with the Catholic Church at Easter.

If you are already a Catholic and interested in learning more about the faith you are most welcome to come along on Friday evenings at 6.30pm and join in the Parish Meeting Room.

St. Joseph's Nechells

Each year as a parish we collect presents for the children of St. Joseph's School in Nechells. Sadly, this year, as last, due to COVID-19 this will not be possible, as the school cannot distribute the gifts to the families. This is a real shame as the gifts are greatly appreciated by the children. This year, as last instead of donating presents, I wonder if we could collect the money normally spent on the presents, in order to provide the children with a Christmas Meal in school before the end of term. If you would like to contribute towards this please put your money in an envelope marked 'St. Joseph's' and pop it through the Presbytery door.

Baptism Enquiries

If you would like to have your child Baptised here at St. Mary of the Angels please visit the 'Baptismal Enquiry' page of the parish website using the following link:

<https://www.catholicaldridge.co.uk/baptismal-enquiries.html>

Here you can complete a 'Baptism Enquiry Form'. The next available dates for Baptism Preparation are:

7pm Tuesday 26th October

7pm Tuesday 7th December

7pm Tuesday 15th February 2022

7pm Tuesday 27th April

7pm Tuesday 28th June

Sacrament of the Sick

Please remember to inform Fr. Craig **directly** in case of sickness, especially if it requires hospital treatment or a prolonged absence from Mass. If you cannot inform the clergy yourself it is then your family who should take on this responsibility.

And finally:- In a few weeks time, on the First Sunday of Advent, the obligation to attend Mass on Sundays and all Holy Days of Obligation will be reinstated after its suspension at the beginning of the COVID pandemic. Over the next few weeks we have the opportunity to reflect upon the importance of keeping the Lord's Day holy, on our coming together as a community of faith in thanksgiving to God for the wonder of His love revealed in the sacrifice of Christ. There are still many of our parishioners who have as yet not returned to Sunday Mass, and I am sure that each of us know of parishioners who, for one reason or another, may have fallen away from the practice of their faith. Coming together for the celebration of Mass is not simply an opportunity to give thanks to God for the gift of Christ and the Eucharist, it is also a time when we enter into communion with each other – a communion which supports us and sustains us in our daily living. Within the community of faith each and everyone of us is an important and integral part, each and everyone of us has something to offer to the Lord and to the community itself. As Advent approaches I pray that the Lord will give us the strength necessary to encourage each other in our faith, drawing us together into His Body the Church, building us up in love and fellowship by the peace which binds us together.

May God bless and protect you all. Fr. Craig