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THE YEAR OF ST. JOSEPH



DATE

Sunday 7th November
2021

SUNDAY

**Thirty-Second Sunday
in Ordinary Time
Year B**

DIVINE OFFICE

Week 4

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

Saturday 6 th November (1 st Mass of Sunday)	6.00pm	Ena Mottl RIP ^(HD)
Sunday 7 th November Thirty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time	9.30am 11.30am	People of the Parish Int. of Don & Mary Henstock ^(SVP)
Monday 8 th Nov Feria	9.15am	Int. of Emma Jones ^(AH & Jones Family)
Tuesday 9 th Nov Dedication of the Lateran Basilica Feast	9.15am	Int. of John & Sue Wilkinson ^(BO'B)
Wednesday 10 th Nov St Leo the Great Pope, Doctor ^{Memorial}		No Services Today
Thursday 11 th Nov St. Martin of Tours Bishop ^{Memorial}	7.30pm	Int. of Dcn. Peter ^(FH)
Friday 12 th Nov St. Josaphat Bishop, Martyr ^{Memorial}	9.15am	Int. of Lucy & Richard Turner ^(MO'L)
Saturday 13 th November Our Lady ^{Saturday Memorial} (1 st Mass of Sunday)	9.30am 10-11am 6.00pm	Bridie Edwards RIP ^(Appleton Family) Exposition, Confession & Benediction In Thanksgiving ^(KB)
Sunday 14 th November Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time	9.30am 11.00am	People of the Parish <i>Remembrance Service</i> ^{at the War Memorial}

Pope Francis:

Do not be afraid to set your sights higher, to allow yourselves to be loved and liberated by God. Do not be afraid to let yourselves be guided by the Holy Spirit. Holiness does not make you less human, since it is an encounter between your weakness and the power of God's grace.

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.

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. **Reception into church: 4pm Wednesday 17th November. Requiem Mass: 12.30pm Thursday 18th November.** Please remember Leo and all of the family in your prayers at the time.

Thank You – from the Jones Family

The family of **Margaret Jones** wishes to thank all parishioners for their kind thoughts, prayers, cards and Masses that have been received on Margaret's passing.

Following Margaret's interment at Streetly Cemetery, the family invites parishioners to the **Hardwick Arms**, if you will be attending, please contact **Paul** on **07557818483** so that catering may be arranged.

Pope's Prayer Intention

The Pope's prayer intention for the month of November is: People who suffer from Depression. We pray that people who suffer from depression or burn-out will find support and a light that opens them up to life.

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.

Beware of Spam Emails

The Archdiocese has been made aware of spam emails coming from fraudulent impersonated Gmail accounts pretending to be from Parish Priests. These emails often include 'parishpastor' and the name of the parish priest, but they are not being sent from priests' email accounts. Protective action has been taken by the Diocesan IT team to block such emails but they can still be generated elsewhere and infiltrate email accounts.

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 11:30am Mass on Sunday 14th.

CAFOD

Catholic Agency for
Overseas Development

Live Simply Prayer – Week 50

(Thirty Second Sunday in Ordinary Time)

Empower us, Lord Jesus, to give without display, to give without stint and to give without expecting return. Help us to mirror your generosity to us. Then we will become more like you.

Last weekend saw the beginning of the UN Climate Talks, COP26, in Glasgow. Health considerations have prevented Pope Francis from his planned attendance at the climate talks, but his intention signals how critical these negotiations are in order to properly address the climate crisis. Some of us met our MPs earlier this year and have signed CAFOD's climate petition, calling on our government, as host to the conference, to determine that these talks become the turning point that the world needs.

This weekend let us pray for the success of the conference.

Retiring Collection

This weekend, **6th/7th November**, there will be a retiring collection for the Johnson Association. This collection goes to support the retired clergy of the Archdiocese.

Rosary for the COP26



This Thursday, **11th November** at **7.00pm**, we will pray the Rosary before the Blessed Sacrament for a successful outcome to the Climate Change Conference taking place in Glasgow. If you cannot be with us in Church on Thursday you can unite your prayers with us at this time from the comfort of your own homes.

Special Sunday 'Coffee' Mornings

This Sunday 7th and the **28th** November, we will be holding cake mornings along with the tea and coffee. These will be for **CAFOD** on 7th and **Walsall Life House** on 28th. In addition to the cakes on the **CAFOD** morning, there will be Mulled Wine available. Please come along to support those mornings, and enjoy a cake and a glass of Mulled Wine (or tea/coffee).

Praying for the Unborn



We pray for our Government, that their ability to support pregnant women would increase and that they would anchor themselves on the desire to protect all human life. Amen

Whetstone Over 50's

Has life been quiet of late? Why not come along to the Whetstone Over 50's Club? We meet in St. Mary of the Angels Meeting Room every 2nd Monday of the month at 2:00pm. On Monday 8th November we have a flower demonstration showing ideas for Christmas. The charge is only £1. Do come along and enjoy the company. There are varied enjoyable events to follow over the following months.

Blessing of Graves at Oscott



The blessing of graves at Oscott Cemetery will take place at 3pm on **Saturday 13th November**. More information can be found on the poster in the notice board outside the church.

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 7th December

7pm Tuesday 15th February 2022

7pm Tuesday 27th April

7pm Tuesday 28th June

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.

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:- A few Sundays ago the Newsletter announced that this weekend would be the last upon which the **11.30am** Mass would be celebrated. The addition of the **11.30am** and the **4.30pm** Sunday Masses to our weekend Mass schedule was only ever meant to be temporary, a short-term response to the COVID-19 Pandemic. However, given the high levels of infection and hospitalisation in the Walsall area, and the reintroduction of the Sunday obligation on from Advent Sunday, I have decided to postpone the cessation of the 11.30am Mass until after Christmas. Once Christmas has come and gone I will again review the situation and make a decision regarding this Mass accordingly. So far we are the only Parish in the area to have increased the number of Masses by as many as we did, and are also the only Parish in the Walsall Deanery to have continued with this practice for so long. There will have to come a time when we return to our normal Sunday practice, sustaining this number of Masses is neither practical, nor is it possible.

May God bless and protect you all. Fr. Craig