

LET US PRAY FOR THE SICK AND HOUSEBOUND

Please keep all the sick and housebound in your prayers, those affected by Covid-19 and those who are still self-isolating. We pray also for all those whose work is serving our needs and that of the emergency services.

REMAINING ROTAS FOR MASSES WILL RESUME IN DUE COURSE

REMEMBER AFTER MASS

- To take home any newsletters, Mass sheets and other papers you may use.
- Use only the designated exit.
- Please do not gather in the church porch or on church property for conversations.
- Continue to wear your face covering until you leave the area where other people are. We know that many people are pleased about returning to church. We want to make sure that you can do so safely and comfortably as social distancing guidelines are still in place.
- Although cleaning and sanitisation takes place after each Mass, consistent with the advice of public health authorities, parishioners should understand that they assume the risk of contracting COVID-19 any time they enter a public space since such precautions do not eliminate the risk of infection.

Please remember to bring your envelopes when you are next visiting. Many Thanks

NOTICES FOR THE BULLETIN

The deadline for notices to be included in the weekly bulletin is **Tuesday evening** at the latest. All notices should be sent by email to: ourladysthugh@sky.com or given to Father Pat. Thank you.

PLEASE TAKE THIS BULLETIN HOME

The Parish is part of the Archdiocese of Birmingham, Reg. Charity No: 234216

Entrance Antiphon Cf. Ps 104:3-4
Let the hearts that seek the Lord rejoice;
turn to the Lord and his strength;
constantly seek his face.

First Reading 22:20-26
A reading from the book of Exodus

Responsorial Psalm Ps 17 :2-4.47.51.R.v.2

R. I love you, Lord, my strength.

1. I love you, Lord, my strength,
my rock, my fortress, my saviour.
My God is the rock where I take refuge;
my shield, my mighty help, my stronghold.
The Lord is worthy of all praise:
when I call I am saved from my foes. (R)

2. Long life to the Lord, my rock!
Praised be the God who saves me.
He has given great victories to his king
and shown his love for his anointed. (R)

Second Reading 1:5-10
A reading from the first letter of St Paul to
the Thessalonians.

Gospel Acclamation cf. Acts 16:14

Alleluia, alleluia!
Open our heart, O Lord,
to accept the words of your Son.
Alleluia!

Gospel 22:34-40
A reading from the holy Gospel according
to Matthew.

Communion Antiphon Cf. Ps 19.6
We will ring out our joy at your saving
help and exult in the name of our God.

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SUNDAY 25th OCTOBER – SUNDAY 1st NOVEMBER 2020
THIRTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME, YEAR A

Sat 24 Exposition 10.00 - 11.00am
Public Mass 6.30pm
Alan Gordon Beaton RIP

Sun 25 Public Mass 10.00am
People of the Parish

Mon 26 Public Mass 9.30am
Robert R. Ancla RIP

Tues 27 NO Mass
Feast of Ss Simon and Jude, Apostles

Wed 28 NO MASS

Thurs 29 Public Mass 6.00pm
Oscar & Estela Paghacian RIP

Fri 30 NO Mass

Sat 31 Exposition 10.00 - 11.00am
Public Mass 6.30pm
People of the Parish

SOLEMNITY OF ALL SAINTS
Sun 1 Public Mass 10.00am
Mary Meagher RIP

CONFESSIONS BY APPOINTMENT
PLEASE CALL 01993 702661

*This weekend there will be a Second Collection for Parish
Maintenance.*

*Next weekend there will be a second Collection for the
Johnson Association*

PLEASE NOTE THE CLOCKS GO BACK THIS WEEKEND

OCTOBER, THE MONTH OF THE ROSARY

October is traditionally the month of the Rosary in the Catholic Church. Normally, here in our parish, a group has been reciting the rosary every Tuesday for the past 25 years. Prayers are offered up for vocations to the priesthood, diaconate and religious life; for peace and justice throughout the world and for the sick especially those in our own parish. Unfortunately, due to Covid 19 we are unable to do so. Please try to pray the Rosary at home, even just a decade with your family.

THE MEMORARE



Remember, O most loving Virgin Mary, that it is a thing unheard of, that anyone every had recourse to your protection, implored your help, or sought your intercession, and was left forsaken. Filled therefore with confidence in your goodness I fly to you, O Mother, Virgin of virgins. To you I come, before you I stand, a sorrowful sinner. Despise not my poor words, O Mother of the Word of God, but graciously hear and grant my prayer. Amen.

GOSPEL REFLECTION

I have often thought, regarding today's Gospel, what Jesus may mean when He says you must love your neighbour as yourself. God loves us. His love for us is unqualified, unconditional, absolute. There is nothing we can offer Him to justify why He should love us. Each of us is His work of art, as St Paul says. We exist only because God loves us. Therefore, when Jesus tells us to love God with all our heart, soul and mind, He is really saying it is the only way to find our true happiness, since the Lord is the source of happiness. Sadly, our sinfulness all too often obscures that. Surely, if I am God's work of art then I must love myself in the sense that I should not ridicule myself, see myself as a failure or hate myself as of no value. God does not love me any less because of my sinfulness. It only affects my love for Him. Since the Lord loves my neighbour as His work of art as well then surely, I must see my neighbour the same way I should see myself.

God Bless. Fr Pat

WORLD MISSION SUNDAY—THANK YOU

Thank you very much for your donations to World Mission Sunday last week. Your prayers and contributions will help missionaries work alongside communities. Please call 020 7821 9755 or visit Missio's website: missio.org.uk, to give a single gift, set up a Direct Debit and Gift Aid your donation, if possible.

CELEBRATING MASS ON-LINE

Sunday obligation of Mass is still suspended. However, there are people who wish but are unable to attend Mass in person. Two Oxford Churches in the Deanery continue to have live-streaming of Masses and other services. Their websites also contain recordings of previous services.

Corpus Christi, Headington, Oxford

<https://www.mcnmedia.tv/camera/oxford>

SS Gregory & Augustine, Woodstock Road, Oxford

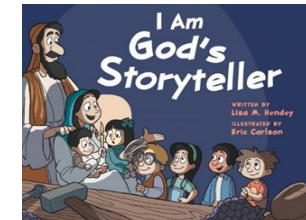
<https://www.churchservices.tv/oxford>

PRAYER FOR SPIRITUAL COMMUNION TO ACCOMPANY ON-LINE SERVICES

My Jesus, I believe that you are present in this Holy Sacrament of the altar. I love you above all things and I passionately desire to receive you into my soul. Since I cannot now receive you sacramentally, come spiritually into my soul, so that I may unite myself wholly to you now and forever. Amen.

LITURGY RESOURCES FOR CHILDREN AVAILABLE FREE ONLINE

Children's virtual liturgy sessions are available online from CAFOD at <https://cafod.org.uk/Education/Children-s-liturgy>



Catholic colouring pages, lesson plans, Mass worksheets, crossword and word search puzzles and more resources to help you prepare for Sunday Mass are free to print out here:

<http://catholicmom.com/kids/catholic-gospel-coloring-worksheets-sunday-mass/>

OUR LADY OF LOURDES CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL OPEN MORNING

On Saturday 14th November from 10.00am, we will be holding an open morning for prospective parents interested in their children joining Reception Class in September 2021. Please share with any family and friends who you think maybe interested in joining our school community. Also, wraparound care is available 7.30am – 5.45pm. For more information contact ourladyoflourdes@dbmac.org.uk

BAPTISM SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION

Parents wishing to have a child Baptised are required to attend a course of preparation. A two-session course is run in the Parish. Parents are welcome to attend before the birth of their child. Please contact Celia Brown for further details on 01993 773840.

CAN YOU HELP ENRYCH?



Enrych is a charity that supports adults with a disability to enjoy the most active and independent lives possible. We help people identify what would make a real difference in their lives, (especially around leisure and learning opportunities) and then look at practical ways we can enable this to happen. This might be a volunteer partnership; supported introduction to another group or currently by joining us on our weekly activity Zoom calls. As you can imagine, due to the current climate there are quite a few members looking to be paired with a volunteer, particularly in the Witney area. Tel: 07732003426 - felicity.dorey@enrych.org.uk

THANK YOU FOR YOUR HELP

We continue to express our thanks to those who are acting as stewards and cleaners, for without their time and help we would be unable to celebrate Mass. If you feel you could help with volunteering please call or email the parish office.

God Bless. Fr Pat

PLEASE WRAP UP WELL!

As the weather is turning colder, I would advise you to wrap up well whilst attending Mass as we need to continue having the windows and doors open for ventilation purposes due to the Coronavirus.