



## WORLD MISSION SUNDAY

Today is World Mission Sunday. World Mission Sunday supports missionaries who work alongside communities that are poor or in need, regardless of their background or belief. By supporting Missio, the Pope's charity for world mission, you will help missionaries like Sr Clara share the love of Christ with those most in need. Please pray for the mission of the Church throughout the world and give what you can. If you are a taxpayer, please use the Gift Aid envelopes. For more information, visit [missio.org.uk](http://missio.org.uk)  
Thank you.

## **DISCOVER WHAT IT MEANS TO BE A CATHOLIC**

RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults) or Journey in Faith is the programme to help people find out more about the Church and discover what it means to be a Catholic. It can lead to becoming a full member of the Church. The RCIA course will start in October 2019 and run until April 2020. Existing Catholics are welcome to attend the course to deepen their knowledge of the Catholic faith. The course is a journey and is a gradual process that takes place within the Parish. The first stage is one of thought and enquiry and is one where the person interested in becoming a Catholic begins to make initial enquiries and wants to find out more about the Catholic faith. It is a time of discovery and encounter with Christ, with the Church, and with other Catholics.

The next talk will be on Thursday 24th October from 7.30pm to 8.30pm.

## **DATES FOR SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION**

### **BAPTISM**

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.

### **CONFIRMATION**

Parent and Candidate information meetings are on:

**Sunday, 3<sup>rd</sup> November, 2019** after the 10am Mass and

**Saturday, 9<sup>th</sup> November**, after the 6.30pm Mass

**Enrolment Mass – Sunday, 24<sup>th</sup> November, 2019** – 10am – please bring Baptism candle

**First workshop – Saturday, 11<sup>th</sup> January, 2020** – 4pm to 6pm



## **REFRESHMENTS ON A SUNDAY**

Refreshments are served on a Sunday after the 10am Mass. Recently we have seen numbers dwindle. It would be great if more parishioners could pop in even just to say hello. It is often a good way to meet fellow parishioners. Fr Pat

## **OUR LADY AND ST HUGH YOUTH GROUP**

The Youth Group will meet on the **first Sunday of each month**.

The next meeting will be a Rubbish Bag Night. Meet at Church

on **Sunday, 3<sup>rd</sup> November**, at 6pm. Please bring £2 each month to cover costs.

## **OCTOBER—THE MONTH OF THE ROSARY**

October is traditionally the month of the rosary in the Catholic Church. Here in our parish a group has been reciting the rosary every Tuesday for the last 25 years. The 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. Pope John Paul II introduced the five new Mysteries of Light in October 2002 to pray for priests and vocations. With the current shortage of priests and the many conflicts in the world we need Mary our Mother and advocate to intercede for us. It would be great if more parishioners could join the group to say the rosary after Mass on a Tuesday evening or say a decade with the family at home.

## **OUR LADY OF LOURDES OPEN MORNING**

Our Lady of Lourdes Primary School, Curbridge Road, Witney is holding an open morning on Thursday 7 November between 10.30 am and 12.00 pm to show off our Foundation Stage to parents who are looking to apply for a school place from September 2020. Further details can be found on the school website [www.OLDLWit.org.uk](http://www.OLDLWit.org.uk). We very much look forward to welcoming you to our wonderful school.

## **ST. HUGH OF LINCOLN NURSERY FORTHCOMING EVENT**

**Thursday 5th December** Wreath Making Workshop 7pm at Our Lady & St. Hugh Catholic Church  
(closing date for bookings is 8th November)

Please contact the nursery at office@sthughoflincolnnursery.co.uk or call on 01993 706636  
if you would like to book a place on the workshop. Thank you.

## **HELPERS WELCOME AT OUR LADY & ST HUGH FAMILY CLUB**

Church Playgroup is held in the Parish Room **every Wednesday during term time** from 10am-noon for parents and carers of pre-school aged children.



A suggested donation of £1 per child/carer covers our running costs and we rely on a small group of volunteers to keep the group going. We would love to have more Parish members involved in the running of this group. We need help with refreshments, craft activities, singing and engaging with carers and children. If you are interested in volunteering, please let Catherine in the office know, pop along to the group on a Wednesday for a cuppa and a chat.  
*Many thanks.*

## **200 CLUB DRAW**

Congratulations to the winners of the September draw. Thank you to everyone who entered. Anyone wishing to join may do so for the October draw.

The number of participants in the monthly draw has been falling and more parishioners are urged to take part.

