

Entrance Antiphon

Let us all rejoice in the Lord, as we celebrate the feast day in honour of all the Saints, at whose festival the Angels rejoice and praise the Son of God.

First reading

Revelation 7:2-4, 9-14

Responsorial Psalm Ps 24(23):1-2. 3-4b. 5-6.

(R) Cf 6

(R) *Such* are the people who seek your face,
O Lord.

1. The Lord's is the earth and its fullness,
the world, and those who dwell in it.

It is he who set it on the seas;
on the rivers he made it firm.

(R)

2. Who shall climb the mountain of the Lord?
Who shall stand in his holy place?

The clean of hands and pure of heart,
whose soul is not set on vain things. (R)

3. Blessings from the Lord shall he receive,
and right reward from the God who saves him.

Such are the people who seek him,
who seek the face of the God of Jacob. (R)

Second reading

1 John 3:1-3

Gospel Acclamation

Matthew 11:28

Alleluia, alleluia.

Come to me, all who labour and are heavy
laden, says the Lord, and I will give you rest.

Alleluia.

Gospel Reading

Matthew 5:1-12a

Communion Antiphon

Mt 5: 8-10

Blessed are the clean of heart, for they shall
see God.

Blessed are the peacemakers, for they shall
be called children of God.

Blessed are they who are persecuted for the
sake of righteousness, for theirs is the
kingdom of heaven.

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SUNDAY 1st – 8th NOV. 2026 ALL SAINTS DAY

SAT 31 EXPOSITION 10am - 11am

MASS 6.30pm Ben Davies RIP

SUN 01 MASS 8.30am Maria Costa RIP Birthday
& Vitor Marquis RIP

MASS 10.00am David Sole RIP

EXPOSITION, EVENING PRAYER & BENEDICTION
5.00pm

MON 02 ALL SOULS

NO MASS

TUE 03 MASS 6.00pm Celia Cassidy RIP

WED 04 Memorial of St Charles
Borromeo, Bishop

MASS 9.30am People of the Parish

THU 05 MASS 6.00pm. Martin Kirk RIP
ROSARY PRAYER GROUP 6.30pm

FRI 06 MASS 9.30am People of the Parish

SAT 07 EXPOSITION 10am–11am
MASS 6.30pm Liam & Kitty O'Connor RIP
Anniversary

SUN 08 REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY
MASS 8.30am Joan & Paul Fowler RIP
MASS 10.00am Margaret Pimm BI
YOUTH GROUP 4.30pm
YOUNG ADULTS GROUP 6.30pm

CONFESSIONS & APPOINTMENTS

Confessions are Saturday 10.30am-11.00am
& 5.30pm-6.00pm. If you wish to make an
appointment to see Fr. Pat, please ring the
office or email

Albrecht Dürer (1471-1528),



GOSPEL REFLECTION ALL SAINTS DAY Year A

To be a saint means to be holy. In other words, to be whole, to be complete, to the person God has called me to be. It does not matter who I am in terms of importance. God created me out of pure love for me. My destiny, along with each of us, is to be a saint. God does not want anything from me other than to try to follow Him to the best of my ability each day. All the saints were sinners. Yet, they never gave up in their desire to serve God to the fullest. In fact, many of them had many struggles in their lives including their own weaknesses. However, they called on God each day and let Him carry them. Their Holiness lay in

them having weaknesses and failings, which they did. It was the way they were able to accept their shortcomings and not allow themselves to be defined by who they were. They trusted in God's healing grace. Often, it would be their failings that made them stay close to God. His grace in their need made them rise above their sins and obstacles to be who they should be or whole, in other words holy. God doesn't expect miracles He simply wants us to believe, no matter who we are that our destiny is Holiness, not allowing ourselves to be defined by our own limitations. As one saint said "To be a hero is to be better than other people. To be a saint is to be better than yourself." *God Bless. Fr Pat*



BLESSING OF THE GRAVES

For the Blessing of the Graves this year on **Sunday 8th November at 3.00pm**, there will be a short service in Church, followed by the Blessing The Graves in Tower Hill Cemetery. On **Sunday 15th November at 3.00pm** there will be no church service but the Blessing of the Graves in Oxford Hill Cemetery.



EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

In preparation for the Solemnity of Christ the King on **Sunday 22nd Nov**, we will be conducting a **40-hour Eucharistic Adoration at Our Lady and St Hugh**, which will begin **at 4:00pm on Friday 20th Nov and close at 8:00am on Sunday 22nd Nov.**

Eucharistic Adoration will take place in the adjoining chapel. Parishioners are invited to use this opportunity to spend time before the Eucharistic Lord in adoration.

The 40 hours adoration will be broken up into slots of 1 hour each, and a sign-up sheet will be available in the Narthex for parishioners to sign up. Let us come together to pray for our families, our special intentions, our parish, the Church, our country and for the world. We pray that it be a time of grace and blessing for our families and our parish.



NEW - MONTHLY EVENING PRAYER

We are starting a monthly gathering of the Cluster of Churches which are Witney, Carterton, Burford, Charlbury and Kidlington for Adoration, Evening Prayer, Benediction and a cup of tea and chat afterwards. We are starting this on the First Sunday of the Month to make it easy to remember and is **starting November 1st in Witney at 5pm**. The dark nights are closing in but this will be a wonderful time to take out of our busy lives to come to focus on the Light of Christ.



CELIA CASSIDY R.I.P.

The Funeral Service for Celia will be on **Friday 20th November 2026 at 12.00 noon**, here at Our Lady & St. Hugh. The committal will be at North Oxford Crematorium at **1.00pm**. The family will be appreciative of your support.



SAVE THE DATE: SUNDAY DECEMBER 20th at 6PM

For this "Christmas Do" (*otherwise known as our Christmas Get-together*) we're putting on a presentation called "The 8 Lost Gifts." We still need volunteers, adults of any age and young people (*from Year 5 upwards*) to help with this.

Please give this a try. Or be part of the group changing the props for each scene, so it all flows. If you would like to know more, *without commitment*, please see me after 10am Mass on 1st November, (*I'm the one with orange hair!*) or after Mass on 8th November in the Parish Hall. Ruth



KNIT AND NATTER FRIENDSHIP GROUP

Our next meeting will be on **Thursday 12th November from 1.30pm-3.30pm** in the Parish Hall. Everyone is very welcome. Bring your knitting or stitching or other small craft project or try your hand at one of our jigsaws. Come and enjoy a cuppa and good company, we look forward to seeing you. Please scan the QR code for more information.



LUNCH CLUB IN NOVEMBER

Please join us for our next Lunch Club, which will be held in the Parish Room on **Tuesday, 3rd November from 12:30 to 2:00pm**. This is a great opportunity to meet up with friends and make new ones over a two-course lunch, followed by tea or coffee. The cost is £5, and all are welcome.



WORLD MISSION SUNDAY - THANKYOU

On behalf of Missio I would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone for their support and generosity on World Mission Sunday. Delicious cakes, homemade produce and gifts galore plus generous donations. The amount raised in total was £339.47 (including contactless), a truly magnificent sum. Thanks again. Jennie Dolphin your local Missio Secretary.



IT'S RAFFLE TIME AGAIN

As you know every year we have a raffle to which you always contribute by either buying tickets, selling tickets, providing prizes or all three!

The tickets have arrived and there are coloured envelopes in the porch where you can pop your ticket stubs plus monies. With many thanks in advance.

LET US PRAY FOR THE SICK AND HOUSEBOUND
Please keep all the sick and housebound in your prayers.



RECENTLY DECEASED

Let us pray for all those who have died recently. We also pray for all those whose Anniversaries occur at this time. May they Rest in Peace. **Please keep their families in your prayers. Every life is unique and special, especially at their passing. If you would like a 'paragraph eulogy' included in the bulletin, please contact Father Pat.**

ROTAS FOR 7/8 NOVEMBER 2026 32nd SUNDAY in Ordinary Time

READERS: Sat 07 6.30pm Ellen O'Hare
Sun 08 8.30am Angela Dryden
Sun 08 10.00am Catherine Wilson, Duncan Enright

EUCCHARISTIC Sat 07 6.30pm Vincent Cugnet, Jos Murphy

MINISTERS: Sun 08 8.30am Funmi Amusu, Barbara Chodkiewicz
Sun 08 10.00am Margaret Hamm, Maureen Banks

FLOWERS: Sat 07 Denise **COUNTERS:** Sun 08 Philip Ogden & Jennie Dolphin

CHILDREN'S LITURGY (during 10.00am Mass) Sun 08 : **Leader:** Jiya **Helper:** Moly

TEA & COFFEE: Sun 08 Celia **BULLETIN:** Ruth (Office)

DONA CARD READER

Remember to use our contactless card reader for all your donations. Donations can also be made by scanning the QR code so you could donate from home when you are having a cup of coffee or tea. With grateful thanks.



OUR BULLETIN DEADLINE

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: olash.witney@rcaob.org.uk** or given to Father Pat.

SAFEGUARDING WEEKLY NOTICE

"The Parish operates in accordance with Statutory Safeguarding Guidance and the National and Archdiocese's policies & procedures at all times. **Our Parish Safeguarding Representative is Jo Browne**. She can be contacted at: **sg.olash.witney@rcaob.org.uk** or alternatively the Diocesan Safeguarding team can be contacted on 0121 230 6240/safeguarding@rcaob.org.uk if you have any concerns."

PLEASE TAKE THIS BULLETIN HOME WITH YOU

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