

MEMORIAL of the GUARDIAN ANGELS

2nd October

Guardian Angels are servants and messengers from God. "Angel" in Greek means messenger. In unseen ways the angels help us on our earthly pilgrimage by assisting us in work and study, helping us in temptation and protecting us from physical danger.

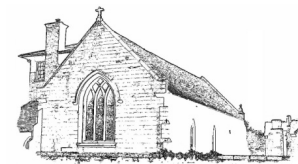
The idea that each soul has assigned to it a personal guardian angel has been long accepted by the Church and is a truth of our faith. From the Gospel of today's liturgy, we read: "See that you do not despise one of these little ones, for I say to you that their angels in heaven always look upon the face of my heavenly Father" (Matthew 18:10). The *Catechism of the Catholic Church* states that "the existence of the spiritual, non-corporeal beings that Sacred Scripture usually calls 'angels' is a truth of faith (328)." From our birth until our death, man is surrounded by the protection and intercession of angels, particularly our guardian angel: "Beside each believer stands an angel as protector and shepherd leading him to life (336)." The Church thanks God for our helpers, the angels, particularly on this feast day and September 29 which is the feast of Saint Michael, Saint Gabriel, and Saint Raphael, archangels.

Angel of God, my guardian dear,
to whom God's love commits me here,
ever this day (or night),
be at my side,
to light and guard,
to rule and guide.
Amen.



Peter Lenz, 1874

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Times of Holy Mass and Intentions (YEAR C Readings)

Sunday 29 September 8.30 am - 10.30 am -	Twenty-sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time Michael Bianco R.I.P. For the People of The Parish
Monday 30 September 9.00 am -	Memorial of St Jerome, Priest, Doctor of the Church Christine McAviney R.I.P.
Tuesday 1 October 9.00 am -	Memorial of St Therese of the Child Jesus Charles Pace R.I.P.
Wednesday 2 October 9.00 am - # 9.30 am - Discussion Group	Memorial of the Guardian Angels For the intentions of Teresa & Chris Meacham in the stable
Thursday 3 October 11.30 am -	Feria in Ordinary Time Stan Robson R.I.P.
Friday 4 October 11.30 am -	Memorial of St Francis of Assisi For the Intentions of Michael & Margaret Pakes
Saturday 5 October 10.00 am - (At Harvington Hall in the Georgian Chapel)	Feria in Ordinary Time Sally & Bernard R.I.P.
Sunday 6 October 8.30 am - 10.30 am - A second collection will be taken on 6 October, for Cafod	Twenty-seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time For the People of The Parish Peter Fernihough R.I.P.



The Wednesday Word Trust leaflets are available from the table in the porch or may be downloaded from:
<http://www.wednesdayword.org/parish/index.htm>
The leaflets are useful to read in anticipation of the readings for the coming Sunday with commentary and notes by Dom Henry Wansbrough.

Anniversaries in October: Rev Robert Heydon (1718), Rev Charles Fitzwilliams (1750), Mary Brownlow (1852), Anne Spink (1894), Mary Leonie Pedley (1957), Betty Grant (1970), Sidney Rochford (1979), Dermot Higgins (1983), Bernard Campbell (2001), Dorothy ~Green (2001), Maureen Riley (2002), David Phillips (2005), Stanley Robson (2009), Betty Sanders (2012), Albin Gordon (2012) Ian Challand (2013), Maria Costanzo (2013), Michael Grant (2015), Doreen Millard (2016), Michael Butler (2017), James Arbuthnott (2018), Paul Hoban (2018), Maureen Ribbins (2018).

Prayers for the sick: Michael Bird, Kathleen Clark, Denis Conway, Peter Handley, Jeannie Morrison, Kirsty Mottram, Lucinda Robinson, Anne Taylor.

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS:

Sunday 29 September Stephen Fox, Helen Raphael
Mary Meese, Annick Harvey
Sunday 6 October Stephen Fox, Bridget Robson
Elizabeth Mountford, John Charuk

READERS:

Sunday 29 September Bridget Kelly
Terry Mayne
Sunday 6 October Anne Carter
Reuben Smith

CHURCH CLEANERS:

Friday 4 October Helen Black, Stella Painter & Judith Smith
Friday 11 October Anne Carter and Brian Hogg

MONEY COUNTERS:

For the 29 Sept collection Teresa Crane & Marian Trafford
For the 6 October collection Gail & Stephen Brown

Contributions to the Parish:

Weekly Offertory taken on Sunday 22 September
Gift Aid Direct Debits £259.00
Gift Aid Envelopes £162.00
Loose cash £143.86
Second Collection for Father Hudson's Care charity: £320.20

ESSENTIAL PARISH INFORMATION:

SAFEGUARDING OFFICER: Mrs J Lloyd - 01562 754448

- If you would like to speak to someone about Diocesan safeguarding and the Church's work, please call 0121 230 6240.
- If you would like to speak to someone independent of the Church you can contact the NSPCC on 0800 800 5000.

HEALTH & SAFETY OFFICER: Peter Boszko

EMERGENCY EXIT: Via sacristy and through the house



Please sign up for the **PARISH LUNCH on Sunday 13 October** at Hogarth's Stone Manor and take the opportunity to socialise with old and new friends in our parish community. A three-course meal is £29.00 or £25 for a choice of two courses. The menu and booking form (on the reverse side) may be found on the porch table. We ask for a £10 deposit per person in cash or by cheques payable to 'St Mary's Harvington'. Please don't leave money in the porch, hand your payment in an envelope to either Maggie Skinner or Amalia Costanzo or post it through the letter box in the Priest's House front door. Please do not leave money in the porch.



We are collecting for the local **FOOD BANK** today, Sunday, 29 Sept. For cash donations please use the envelopes provided on the table in the porch and hand them to Jane Handley or to Fr John. Please do not leave money in the porch



On **Tuesday 1 October** George and Heather Race will be returning to Harvington for a Mass to be said at 9.00am for Heather's father, **Charles Pace R.I.P.** Heather and George are pleased to invite all parishioners to join them for refreshments in the stable after Mass.

The **Social Committee** will meet on **Thursday 17 October** at 2.30pm in the stable. All members of the Parish are welcome to attend.

Please make a note in your diary there will be a **CAKE SALE** in the stable after both Masses on **Sunday 27 October**.



BIG BIBLE STUDY – Saturday 26 October 10.00 – 13.30. This year's ecumenical gathering will held in Worcester Cathedral led by the Archbishop Bernard Longley, Bishop John Inge and Revd Judith Rossall. As in previous years it will be a service to PRAY-STUDY-EAT. Admission £5. Please see notice on the porch board. Further information available from Jim Quinn (choir).



Extraordinary Missionary Month - October 2019

The Church on Mission in the World. During October 2019, the Archdiocese of Birmingham will be marking an Extraordinary Missionary Month, called for by Pope Francis, for the purpose of rediscovering the missionary heart of the Church, in all aspects of her life and worship, and especially in every Catholic.

Christ's Great Commission carried the Gospel across the globe, but in England and Wales we find our people and culture in need of a New Evangelisation. **Please take a prayer card from the porch table.**
<https://www.birminghamdiocese.org.uk/Pages/FAQs/Category/extraordinary-missionary-month-october-2019>

The **Friends of the Holy Land Wyre Forest Group** would like to thank all those who generously supported the Fashion Show held recently at M&Co, Stourport. As a result, over £800 was raised from ticket sales, donations and the raffle for Christian Families in the Holy Land. The afternoon was most enjoyable and we thank also the volunteers who modelled the clothes