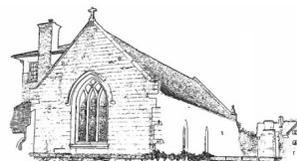


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MASSES THIS WEEK (with YEAR B Readings)

- Sunday 15 August** **Solemnity of The Assumption of
The Blessed Virgin Mary**
8.30am *Mass intention for: People of the Parish*
10.30am** *Mass intention for: Our young parishioner Anna,
receiving Holy Communion for the first time today.*
- **In the garden, please bring your own chair as seating is not provided.**
- Monday 16 August** **Memorial of St Stephen of Hungary**
Mass intention: Doreen Millard R.I.P.
- Tuesday 17 August** **Feria in Ordinary Time**
9.00am *Mass intention: Stan Robson R.I.P.*
- Wednesday 18 August** **Feria in Ordinary Time**
Diocesan Novena to Blessed Dominic Barberi
9.00am *Mass intention for: Derrick Johnson*
- Thursday 19 August** **Memorial of St John Eudes, Priest**
Diocesan Novena to Blessed Dominic Barberi
11.00am *Mass intention for: Michael Millard R.I.P.*
- Friday 20 August** **Memorial of St Bernard, Abbot,
Doctor of the Church**
Diocesan Novena to Blessed Dominic Barberi
11.00am *Mass intention for: Christine McAviney R.I.P.*
- Saturday 21 August** **Memorial of St Pius X, Pope**
Diocesan Novena to Blessed Dominic Barberi
10.00am *Mass intention for: Anthony Francis-Flores R.I.P.*
- Sunday 22 August** **Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time**
Diocesan Novena to Blessed Dominic Barberi
8.30am *Mass intention for: People of the Parish*
10.30am** *Mass intention for: Jean & Tom Wilcox R.I.P.*
- **In the garden, please bring your own chair as seating is not provided.**

Anniversaries in August: Rev George Bishop (1768), Rev John Corne (1816), William Trafford (1829), Thomas Parkes (1872), Leo Herraty (1964), Elizabeth Grant (1987), Janet Arbuthnott (1989), Denis Grant (1990), Bunny Keenan (1995), Armando Agaran (2003), Joan Troy (2003), Barbara Mary Campbell (2012), Hilda Willetts (2017), Wendy Packwood (2017), Jeannie Morrison (2020), Marie Packwood (2020), Bede Howell (2020)

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In your prayers please remember parishioners and friends who are sick:

Kathleen Clark, Jane and Peter Handley, Lucinda Robinson, Liz and Lionel Cornish, Bob Grant, Deirdre Brookes, Trudy Woodhall, Elizabeth Causer, Kay Hildebrandt, Sean McDermott.

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THANK YOU!

... for all your offerings and donations. They are always gratefully received and enable Fr John to maintain our parish and to minister to our community.

Contributions to the Parish: 2nd-9th August

Regular, weekly Gift Aid Direct Debit:	£316.00
Gift Aid Envelopes:	£114.00
Loose cash:	£196.57



Following the lifting of some national laws relating to containing the spread of the Covid virus the Archdiocese sent guidelines to parishes to support the care and safety of all who attend our premises. Using those guidelines, together with a Health & Safety Risk Assessment relevant to St Mary's we ask everyone attending our premises to take note of the following:

- 'Track and Trace' rules are changing. From Monday 16th August it will no longer be a legal requirement to provide contact details at a venue however, if you wish to be notified should someone in attendance here be found to be a Covid positive case then either scan the displayed QR code on your phone or provide us with your contact details on arrival.
 - When inside church, the congregation are **strongly recommended to wear face coverings**.
 - The congregation are asked to spread out.
 - When inside church, the congregation are asked not to kneel if someone is sitting down on the pew in front of them.
 - If members of the congregation would like to ensure social distancing they may pick up a '**Please Leave Space**' sign (available in the porch) and place it on the seat beside them in their pew.
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The obligation for the faithful to attend **Holy Mass on Sundays** and **Holydays of Obligation** remains **suspended**. All the faithful are asked to make an Act of Spiritual Communion.

The Sacrament of Confession by appointment with Fr John:01562 777319.



On **Sunday 15 August** during the 10.30am Mass **Anna**, one of our young parishioners, will receive **Holy Communion for the first time.**

Please pray for her.

She has been helped to get ready for this memorable day by her parents who promised, on the day of her baptism, to raise their child in the practice of the faith. As a Parish we are indebted to Julia Stevens, one of our Catechists, for helping Anna to prepare to receive the Sacraments of Reconciliation and Holy Communion. Anna has enjoyed and benefitted from the support and guidance offered by our parishioner volunteers at the regular Children's Liturgy Group meetings.

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DATES FOR YOU DIARY:

- **The PILGRIMAGE TO HARVINGTON HALL, Shrine of the English Martyrs will take place on Sunday 12th September with Mass at 3.00pm**, presided over by Bishop David Evans. For this year, pilgrims are invited from just three Deaneries of Dudley, Kidderminster and Worcester.
 - **The ST MARY'S HARVINGTON BOOK GROUP** are reading *Bel Canto* by Ann Patchett and will discuss their thoughts on it when they meet in the Priest's House Garden at 9.30am on **Monday 13th September**.
 - Those with email addresses on our Parish database will have received the invitation which is of course extended to all St Mary's parishioners to a **'DIY PARISH PICNIC LUNCH'** on **Sunday 19th September** following the 10.30am Mass to celebrate Fr John's 80th birthday and retirement as a Parish Priest. (... don't worry, Fr John **IS** staying at Harvington!)
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The Craft Group are once again appealing for small ceramic pots, suitable for bulbs and also small wicker baskets for flower arrangements and would be most happy to help you de-clutter! Please bring them with you to Mass on Sundays and give them to a Steward on duty.



Wednesday 18 August 2021 marks the beginning of the Diocesan Novena to pray for the Canonisation of **BLESSED DOMINIC BARBERI.**

The Novena of Prayer lasts for nine days and concludes on his feast day on Thursday 26 August. The annual Novena of Prayer for the Cause of Blessed Dominic Barberi is a moment to pause and to appreciate the work of this holy Passionist in our Archdiocese and to pray for his Canonisation.

Blessed Dominic arrived in the Archdiocese in February 1842. He spent the next seven years based at Aston Hall in Staffordshire, from where he celebrated Mass, preached Missions, heard confessions, and received many people into the Catholic Church, the most famous being St John Henry Newman in October 1845.

Blessed Dominic had a well known reputation for sanctity and holiness of life. He is also remembered for his love for the poor, and those in need of prayer and help. In our Archdiocese his memory is held in special regard and each year we pray a Novena of Prayer asking God to grant a miracle of healing through the intercession of Blessed Dominic, which could further his cause for Canonisation.

Please pray the Novena during the nine days from August 18 until August 26. It can be prayed in the parish or at home.

NOVENA PRAYER

O God who so lovingly raised Blessed Dominic Barberi to the heights of holiness, learning, apostolic zeal and made him a powerful minister of your mercy, listen to our humble request. We pray that you will in your goodness, grant a miracle through the intercession of Blessed Dominic, so that the Church may further honour him on earth and that many more people will come to know and invoke the help of this faithful servant of the Church. We ask this through Christ Our Lord, Amen.

Mary Mother of Holy Hope: Pray for us.

Saint John Henry Newman: Pray for Us.

Blessed Dominic Barberi: Pray for Us.