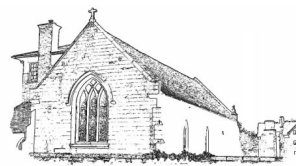


# ST MARY'S CHURCH HARVINGTON, DY10 4LR



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## MASSES THIS WEEK (with YEAR C Readings)

### **Sunday 30 January**

8.30am

10.30am

*Second collection for the SPUC, White Flower Appeal*

### **Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

*Mass intention for: Private Intention*

*Mass intention for: Parishioners of the Parish*

### **Monday 31 January**

*No public Mass today*

### **Memorial of St John Bosco**

*Mass Intention for: Private Intention*

### **Tuesday 1 February**

10.00 am

### **Feria in Ordinary Time**

*Mass Intention for: Private Intention*

### **Wednesday 2 February**

10.00am

### **Feast of the Presentation of the Lord**

*World Day for Consecrated Life*

*Mass intention for: Christopher Meacham R.I.P.*

### **Thursday 3 February**

11.00am

### **Memorial of St Blaise, Bishop, Martyr**

*Mass intention for: Private Intention*

### **Friday 4 February**

11.00am

### **Feria in Ordinary Time**

*Mass intention for: Sister Martin Fleming*

### **Saturday 5 February**

10.00am

### **Memorial of St Agatha, Virgin, Martyr**

*Mass intention for: Moya Sullivan R.I.P.*

### **Sunday 6 February**

8.30am

10.30am

### **Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

*Mass intention for: Parishioners of the Parish*

*Mass intention for: Liam Buckley R.I.P.*

**Anniversaries in February:** Rev Charles Dodd (1742), Rev James Layfield (1756), Stanhope Pedley (1938), Agnes Drinkwater (1938), Pierce Bradley (1987), Tony Goodyear (1988), Pauline Jack (1992), Jeffrey Nichols (2003), Gertrude Higham (2003), Gerard O’Keeffe (2003), Rose Marie Villiers (2007), Mary Keane (2007), Gerry Costello (2012), Edmund Osborne (2013), Mandy Natalie Bridge (2016), Alan Cox (2016), Liam Buckley (2018), Jean Wilcox (2018), Michael Millard (2019), Vincent Glynn (2019)

**In your prayers please remember parishioners and friends who are sick:** Deirdre Brookes, Kathleen Clark, Liz and Lionel Cornish, Bob Grant, Jane and Peter Handley, Kay Hildebrandt, Ann Parry, Clare Saich, Geraldine Walton, Jane Young

✠ In your charity, please pray for the repose of the soul of **Moya O’Sullivan** (Jane Handley’s sister) who died on Sunday 16th January. May She Rest In Peace.



... for all your offerings and donations. They are always gratefully received.

**Contributions to the Parish: 17-24 January**

Regular, weekly Gift Aid Direct Debit: .....	£316.00
Gift Aid Envelopes: .....	£125.00
Loose cash: .....	£193.22
Pax Christi Collection on Sunday 16th January .....	£130.00

**OFFERTORY DONATIONS** are no longer collected in the pews. If you wish to make a donation on **SUNDAYS** please place your offering in the ‘bin’ on the porch table. On **OTHER DAYS OF THE WEEK** offerings may be placed **in the basket on the sanctuary step in front of the altar.**



**WELCOME TO ST MARY’S!**

We ask everyone attending our premises to take note of the following:

- In line with government suggestions to prevent the spread of the Covid virus in crowded and indoor spaces, we ask you to continue wearing a face covering inside church.
- If members of the congregation would like to ensure social distancing they may use a ‘Please Leave Space’ sign (available in the porch) and place it on the seat beside them in their pew.
- Please spread out and don’t kneel if someone is sitting on the pew in front.
- Should you wish to be informed if someone who has attended your Mass has tested positive then please use the QR code displayed on the table or fill in a slip with your name, contact details and date / time and post it in the wooden box located on a porch table, and we will contact you as soon as we have been made aware.



The two **SYNODAL PATHWAY** meetings held in Harvington Hall on Wednesday 26th January were the well attended with thoughtful contributions from all present. Parishioners were invited to write their responses to the questions debated on 'post-it' notes that were then collated and grouped into common themes. The results are displayed on a large board in the church porch.

The third and final date for meetings in the Synodal, consultative pathway will be on **Wednesday 9th February** with a choice of times of either **11.00am or 7.00pm**. Pope Francis genuinely wants to hear from the 'grass roots' of the Catholic Church. Please come along to either of these meetings to have your voice heard and to listen to others.



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The **KIDDERMINSTER FOODBANK** are desperate for the following:

- Squash, tins of hot and cold meat, tinned rice pudding, tinned fruit, small jars of coffee, tins of potatoes, tins of spaghetti, cuppa soups, deodorant, shaving gel, washing up liquid. They remain well stocked with all other produce.

If you bring your donations to church on the weekend of 5<sup>th</sup>/6<sup>th</sup> February, we will arrange to take them to the Foodbank on your behalf.

Money is always of great help to the Foodbank. We will pass it on to them if your put your donation in an envelope marked **FOODBANK** and post it in the Offertory Bin in the porch (or basket on the sanctuary step under the altar). Cheques should be made payable to: **THE KIDDERMINSTER FOODBANK**.



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The **HARVINGTON CRAFT GROUP** will meet on **Wednesday 2nd February @ 1.30pm** in Rowberry's tearooms. Come along to join in the creative workshop or just for a chat and a cup of tea!



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Date for your diary. The **FRIENDS OF THE HOLY LAND** are planning a repeat of their successful sponsored Emmaus Walk on **Saturday 23rd April**, St George's Day. Walkers will start from a number of different locations and make their way to Harvington for a picnic lunch followed by an Ecumenical Service. More information soon.



# Society for the Protection of Unborn Children

## **WHITE FLOWER APPEAL**

The Society for the Protection of Unborn Children (SPUC) is the oldest pro-life campaigning and educational organisation in the world AND was founded in January 1967 to oppose the abortion bill being debated in Parliament at the time. That bill would go on to become the 1967 Abortion Act, and we became the UK's first and largest pro-life group.

SPUC campaigns to end abortion. We advocate the need for a consistent life ethic – one that values the lives of all human beings - and so we also campaign against other direct threats to the lives of vulnerable individuals, such as euthanasia and embryo abuse.

### **AIMS:**

- To affirm, defend and promote the existence and value of human life from the moment of conception until natural death
- To defend and protect human life generally and in particular, whether born or unborn (although principally the latter) and wheresoever situate (although principally in Great Britain and Northern Ireland, the Isle of Man, the Channel Islands, the Republic of Ireland and Europe)
- To reassert the principle laid down in the United Nations' "Declaration of the Rights of the Child" (1959) that "the child, by reason of his physical and mental immaturity, needs special safeguards and care, including appropriate legal protection, before as well as after birth"
- To defend, assist and promote the life and welfare of mothers during pregnancy and of their children from the time of conception up to, during and after birth

### **PRINCIPLES**

- We base all our work on these principles of natural justice:
- it is wrong to kill innocent human beings
- everyone should be treated equally
- all human beings are people with rights
- children deserve special protection and care
- the weakest in society must be protected by the law