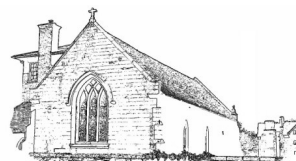


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MASSES THIS WEEK (with YEAR C Readings)

Sunday 31 July

Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

8.30am*

Mass intention for: Private Intention

10.30am*

Mass intention for: Parishioners of the Parish

***BOTH MASSES INSIDE CHURCH.**

Monday 1 August

**Memorial of St Alphonsus de'Liguori,
Bishop, Doctor of the Church**

No public Mass today

Mass Intention for: Private Intention

Tuesday 2 August

**Memorial of St Eusebius of Vercelli, Bishop
Memorial of St Peter Julian Eymard, Priest**

No public Mass today

Mass Intention for: Jeanne Morrison R.I.P.

Wednesday 3 August

Feria in Ordinary Time

10.00am

Mass Intention for: Michael Millard R.I.P.

Thursday 4 August

Memorial of St John Mary Vianney, Priest

11.00am

Mass Intention for: Private Intention

Friday 5 August

**Memorial of the Dedication of the Basilica of
St Mary Major**

11.00am

Mass Intention for: Private Intention

Saturday 6 August

Feast of the Transfiguration of the Lord

10.00am*

Mass Intention for: Private Intention

* In the Georgian Chapel in the grounds of Harvington Hall

The **SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION (Confession)** is available in church following this Mass and by appointment at other times.

Sunday 7 August

Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

8.30am

Mass intention for: Parishioners of the Parish

10.30am

Mass intention for: Private Intention

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), Trudi Woodall (2021), Chris Meacham (2021)

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

Deirdre Brookes, Kathleen Clark, Liz & Lionel Cornish, Bob & Shirley Grant, Jane & Peter Handley, Siward James-Moore, Bernard Millard, John & Ellen Mottram, John & Patricia Newton, Ann Parrish, Clare Saich, Karen Wright.

Thank You!

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... for all your offerings and donations.

Contributions to the Parish: 18-25 July

Regular, weekly Gift Aid Direct Debit:	£316.00
Gift Aid Envelopes:	£55.00
Loose cash:	£124.70

Direct Debit, forms are available from the table in the porch. Please complete and either hand to Fr John or post through his house letterbox.

For **OFFERTORY DONATIONS** on **SUNDAYS** please place your offering in the 'bin' on the entrance table. On **OTHER DAYS OF THE WEEK** offerings may be placed **in the basket on the sanctuary step in front of the altar.**

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COVID PRECAUTIONS: Whilst there is no legal requirement to wear a face covering the government suggests that we still 'Consider wearing a face covering in crowded and enclosed spaces'. In addition, 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.

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PARISH SAFEGUARDING OFFICER: Valerie Nolan,
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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 0808 800 5000.

PARISH HEALTH & SAFETY OFFICER: Peter Boszko,
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EMERGENCY EXIT: This is via the sacristy and through the house.



HARVINGTON HALL, our Tudor Manor house with amazing priest's hides, is open throughout the summer Weds-Sun for tours (& free entry to garden/cafe except event weekends).

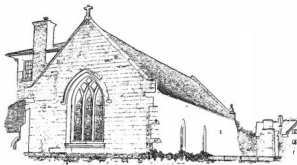
Events in August include:

- Wednesday 3 August a History Workshop for Children
- Saturday 20 August Market Day,
- Saturday/Sunday 28/29 August History Through the Ages weekend .

For more details see the Hall's website: www.harvingtonhall.co.uk



The **CRAFT GROUP** are meeting at Rowberry's Tea Rooms on Wednesday 3 August at 1.30pm. Even if you have never been to one of these Craft Group meetings before, come along on Wednesday and try your hand at a new skill!



During the summer months of the pandemic, and up until recently, we made good use of the garden here at St Mary's by offering the 10.30am Mass on Sundays in an outdoor setting. It was necessary to suspend the practice over the past couple of weeks whilst repair work was being done on the chimneys and roof of the Priest's House and the 10.30am Sunday Masses were celebrated indoors. Following a careful review of the situation, considering health and safety alongside other issues, we now feel able to return to celebrating this Mass indoors every week from now onward.

Whilst the Covid virus remains in society, we must all continue to take appropriate, proportional precautions to avoid its spread. As mentioned on page two of this newsletter, when attending St Mary's, allowing individuals the chance to socially distance themselves on a pew and the wearing a face covering is a matter of personal choice. When approaching the altar for Holy Communion, please do so one row at a time to avoid unnecessary crowding in the aisle. When the choir is present, please allow them to receive Communion first.

We plan to give the stable a deep clean and repair within the next few weeks so the space may be used once more as a meeting place for parishioners.

FEASTS AND MEMORIALS COMMEMORATED THIS WEEK



Monday 1 August **Memorial of St Alphonsus de'Liguori, Bishop, Doctor of the Church**

St Alphonsus (1696-1787) was born in Naples, Italy. As a young man he was a lawyer, but later became a priest. He founded the Congregation of the Most Holy Redeemer (Redemptorists). He was given the title Doctor of the Church for his writing on Moral Theology. A tireless apostle of the Eucharist and of our Blessed Mother, he worked with great zeal for the poor and the sick.

Tuesday 2 August: **Memorial of St Eusebius of Vercelli, Bishop**
St Eusebius (+371) was born in Sardinia and brought up in Rome. Around 340 he was named Bishop of Vercelli in Piedmont. He fought staunchly against the Arian heresy which denied the divinity of Jesus Christ. The Arians tortured and exiled him.

Memorial of St Peter Julian Eymard, Priest
St Peter Julian Eymard (1811-1868) was born at La Mure, Isere, France and joined the Marist Fathers. He dedicated his life to promoting Eucharistic devotion and founded both the Congregation of the Blessed Sacrament and the Servants of the Blessed Sacrament. Canonised in 1962 he is known as the 'Apostle of the Eucharist'.

Thursday 4 August: **Memorial of St John Mary Vianney, Priest**
(1786-1859) He was born near Lyons, France, and ordained a priest in Grenoble. He was assigned to the parish of Ars-sur-Forman where he spent forty-two years. He was outstanding for his steadfast care of souls, for his spirit of prayer and mortification, but above all, for his tireless dedication to the Sacrament of Penance. He spent most of his life in the confessional, drawing energy from his intimate and constant friendship with our Lord in the Eucharist. Pope Pius XI declared him Patron of the Universal Clergy.

Friday 5 August: **Dedication of the Basilica of St Mary**
After the declaration of the dogma of the divine Maternity of the Blessed Virgin in the Council of Ephesus (431), Pope Sixtus III dedicated this Basilica in Rome in honour of the Mother of God. It was later called 'Ste Mary Major'. It is considered the oldest church in the west dedicated to the Blessed Virgin Mary.

Saturday 6 August: **Feast of the Transfiguration of the Lord**
This feast became widespread in the West in the 11th century and was introduced into the Roman calendar in 1457 to commemorate the victory over Islam in Belgrade. Before that, the Transfiguration of the Lord was celebrated in the Syrian, Byzantine, and Coptic rites. The Transfiguration foretells the glory of the Lord as God, and His Ascension into heaven. It anticipates the glory of heaven, where we shall see God face to face. Through grace, we already share in the divine promise of eternal life. #