

# ST MARY'S CHURCH HARVINGTON, DY10 4LR



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## MASSES THIS WEEK (with YEAR A Readings)

- Sunday 29 October**      **Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
8.30am      Mass intention for: *Private Intention*  
10.30am      Mass Intention for: *Parishioners of the Parish*
- Monday 30 October**      **Feria in Ordinary Time**  
No public Mass today      Mass intention for: *Private Intention*
- Tuesday 31 October**      **Feria in Ordinary Time**  
10.00am      Mass intention for: *Deceased members of the Grant family.*
- Wednesday 1 November**      **Solemnity of All Saints**  
10.00am      Holyday of Obligation  
Mass intention for: *Oliver Donaghey R.I.P.*
- Thursday 2 November**      **The Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed**  
7.00 pm      All Souls' Day  
Mass Intention for: *Vanda Samuoliene R.I.P.*  
Followed by the Blessing of The Graves
- Friday 3 November**      **Memorial of St Marton de Porres, Religious**  
11.00am      **Memorial of St Winifride, Virgin**  
Mass intention for: *Private Intention*
- Saturday 4 November**      **Memorial of St Charles Borromeo, Bishop**  
10.00am      Mass intention for: *Private Intention*  
The **SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION (Confession)** is available in church following this Mass and by appointment at other times.
- Sunday 5 November**      **Thirty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
8.30am      Mass intention for: *Private Intention*  
10.30am      Mass Intention for: *Rimvydas Samuolis (thanksgiving)*

The Wednesday Discussion Group will not be meeting this week but, as ever, the **Wednesday Word Trust** leaflets are available from the table in the porch or may be downloaded from: [www.wednesdayword.org/parish/index.htm](http://www.wednesdayword.org/parish/index.htm) (Parish Version) for your interest and study in preparation for Sunday Mass.

**Anniversaries in November:** Isabella Ilsley (1866), Laurence Ruck (1916), John Munster (1916), Rev Philip Roskell (1930), Rev Dr Charles Eagle (1947), Cuthbert Watts (1965), Denis Lovekin (1984), Edna Mercer (1983), Ivor Mortiboy (1998), Harold Sanders, Katherine Martin (2002), Sarah Millard (2002), Marie Baylis (2003), Min Young (2003), Grace Haydon (2004), Siobhan James-Moore (2005), Gerard Fox (2007), Rev David Higham (2008), Stephen Pritchard (2008), Julian Davies (2008). James William Finney (2009), Gertrude Mary Savage (2011), James O'Brien (2012) Colin Atwell (2014), Roger Adey (2016), Veronica Mitchell (2018), Oliver Donaghey (2019), Sean McDermott (2021), Roger Ephraims (2021), John Newton (2022), Andrea Barker (2022)



**In your prayers please remember those who are sick and asked for our prayers:** Deirdre Brookes, Beth Downing, Shirley Grant, Jane & Peter Handley, Annick Harvey, Elizabeth Howell, Angela MacGarrow, Ann Murphy, Paul Morrison, John & Ellen Mottram, Patricia Newton, Ann Parry, Bridget Rochford, Jeanne Round, Karen Wright.

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... for all your offerings and donations.

**Contributions to the Parish: 15-22 October**

Regular, weekly Gift Aid Direct Debit: .....	£316.00
Gift Aid Envelopes: .....	£105.00
Loose cash: .....	£258.86
Second Collection for MISSIO: .....	£408.70

**Direct Debit, gift aid forms** are available from the folder on the notice board in the church porch. Please complete and either hand to Fr John or post through his house letterbox.



**PLEASE DO NOT LEAVE MONEY OR ENVELOPES CONTAINING MONEY IN THE PORCH.** If you wish to make a donation when Mass is not taking place and the church is otherwise empty, please post your offering (in an envelope) in the letterbox in the door of the Priest's House.

**PARISH SAFEGUARDING**

The Parish operates in accordance with Statutory Safeguarding Guidance and the National and Archdioceses policies & procedures at all times. Our Parish Safeguarding Rep is **Valerie Nolan**. She can be contacted at: [sg.stmary.harvington@rcaob.org.uk](mailto:sg.stmary.harvington@rcaob.org.uk) or alternatively the Diocesan Safeguarding team can be contacted on: 0121 2306240 / [safeguarding@rcaob.org.uk](mailto:safeguarding@rcaob.org.uk) if you have any concern.

**PARISH COUNCIL CHAIRMAN:** Peter Boszko - [stmary.harvington@rcaob.org.uk](mailto:stmary.harvington@rcaob.org.uk)  
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**The emergency exit from the church** is via the sacristy and through the house.



**THE CATENIAN ASSOCIATION  
DROITWICH & DISTRICT CIRCLE  
THREE PRIESTS IN OUR TIMES**

**Mgrs. John Moran and Patrick Kilgariff and Canon Brian  
McGinley**

look back over their lives as priests and look forward to the future  
of the Francis-led Church.

**On Thursday 9th November at St George's Worcester from 7.00-9.30 pm.**

The three priests will talk about their lives since ordination, their expectations  
and how it has turned out. It promises to be an interesting evening.

No cost, just notify Jim Quinn that you are coming

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Our collection for the Kidderminster Foodbank takes place this  
weekend. Donations of food and other essentials will be  
delivered on your behalf to the Food Bank collection point in  
Kidderminster during the coming week.

If you would prefer to donate cash or a cheque, made payable to  
**'The Kidderminster Foodbank'**, please us an envelope marked  
**'FOOD BANK'**, and put it in the Offertory collection. Donations will be passed  
directly to the Kidderminster Foodbank Treasurer. If you wish the Foodbank to  
benefit from the tax paid on your monetary donation please complete the  
**GIFT AID** form (available in the church porch) and include it in the envelope

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**Do you want to make a difference?**

If you understand how hard family life can be and could give up 2-3  
hours a week to visit a local family with children 0-18 years who are  
experiencing difficult times, then become a **Home Start Volunteer**.

To find out more about becoming a volunteer see the church notice boards  
and/or contact Joanne at Home Start, Wyre Forest on **01562 825896** or  
[info@homestartwyreforest.org.uk](mailto:info@homestartwyreforest.org.uk). [www.homestartwyreforest.org.uk](http://www.homestartwyreforest.org.uk)

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The **Harvington Book Group** will meet in the stable at **9.00am on  
Monday 13 November** to discuss *Emma* by Jane Austen.



In December they will read *Silas Marner* by George Eliot. These two  
contrasting pieces of English Literature should provide an interesting  
exchange of ideas. Do join in!



During the **MONTH OF NOVEMBER**, we pray for all our deceased family members and friends. If you wish to have those names remembered at Masses during the month of November, please write them on paper and place in an envelope marked 'Holy Souls' or use the envelopes and inserts available in the Church Porch and leave them in the basket provided.

*This is a general list for the Holy Souls, no money is necessary.*

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**Wednesday 1 November, All Saints Day, is a Holy Day of Obligation.**

From the first centuries after Christ, Christians who died a martyr's death were considered saints, who live in God's presence forever. Every year, on the anniversary of the martyrs' deaths, Christians would visit their tombs and celebrate the Eucharist. This practice grew throughout the centuries to include remembering other outstanding Christians on the days they died. Soon the entire calendar was filled with memorials of the saints. In the ninth century, Pope Gregory IV designated 1 November as the day to remember all the saints living in God's presence.

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**Thursday 2 November, All Souls Day - The Commemoration of all the Faithful Departed.**

On this day, the parish remembers deceased members of our community and our deceased relatives and friends with the blessing of the graves and memorials and the lighting of lanterns\* in the graveyards here at St Mary's after Mass in the evening.

\* Volunteers are needed to help with the lighting of the dozens of lantern candles. Please arrive at 6.15pm to help.



Eternal rest, grant unto them, O LORD,  
 And let perpetual light shine upon them.  
 May they rest in peace.  
 Amen.