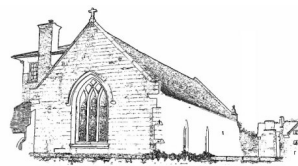


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MASSES THIS WEEK (with YEAR A Readings)

- Sunday 19 November** **Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time**
World Day of the Poor
8.30am Mass intention for: *Pat Townsend R.I.P.*
10.30am Mass Intention for: *For the People of the Parish*
- Monday 20 November** **Feria in Ordinary Time**
No public Mass today Mass intention for: *Private Intention*
- Tuesday 21 November** **Memorial of the Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary**
10.00am Mass intention for: *Stan Robson R.I.P.*
- Wednesday 22 November** **Memorial of St Cecilia, Virgin, Martyr**
10.00am Mass intention for: *Private Intention*
- Thursday 23 November** **Memorial of St Clement, Pope, Martyr**
Memorial of St Columban, Abbot, Missionary
11.00am Mass Intention for: *Dorothy Atwell R.I.P.*
- Friday 24 November** **Memorial of St Andrew Dung-Lee, Priest, and Companions**
11.00am Mass intention for: *Deceased members of the Donaghey family*
- Saturday 25 November** **Memorial of St Catherine of Alexandria**
Memorial of Our Lady on Saturday
10.00am Mass intention for: *Caroline & Alex McCartney*
The **SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION (Confession)** is available in church following this Mass and by appointment at other times.
- Sunday 26 November** **Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe**
National Youth Sunday
8.30am Mass intention for: *Roger Adey R.I.P.*
10.30am Mass Intention for: *Clement & Cora Murray R.I.P.*

Wednesday Word Trust leaflets are available from the table in the porch or may be downloaded from: 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, 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: 5-12 November

Regular, weekly Gift Aid Direct Debit:	£316.00
Gift Aid Envelopes:	£88.00
Loose cash:	£225.08
Second Collection for the FHL:	£839.33

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 or alternatively the Diocesan Safeguarding team can be contacted on: 0121 2306240 / safeguarding@rcaob.org.uk if you have any concern.

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



HOME-START is a national organisation offering support, friendship and practical help to parents with young children in local communities, offering a unique service delivered by trained and supported local volunteers, who visit families at home to offer informal, friendly and confidential support. To help give children the best possible start in life, Home-Start supports parents as they grow in confidence, strengthen their relationships with their children and widen their links with the local community, to promote better outcomes for parents and children.

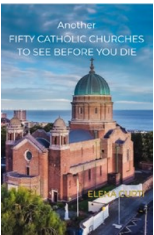
CHRISTMAS APPEAL: Home-Start Wyre Forest are helping Santa again this year and need **NEW (unwrapped)** presents for young people aged 0-18 years. Please be your usual generous selves and bring donations to Church up to and including **Sunday 10 December** and we will deliver them to the Home Start Wyre Forest headquarters on your behalf. **THANK YOU** in anticipation!

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THE HARVINGTON CRAFT GROUP will have a stall at the Autumn Fayre Coffee Morning at Chaddesley Corbett's St Cassian's Church, on **Saturday 25th November** 10.00-12.00. Please come along to show your support and to buy unique gifts for Christmas.

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Another Fifty Catholic Churches to See Before You Die by Elena Curti, includes St Mary's! We have secured copies at the discounted price of just **£12**. On sale each Sunday at St Mary's until stocks run out or, to reserve a copy email the parish office: stmary.harvington@rcaob.org.uk

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Our Address Book and digital records held in the Parish Office needs updating!

Regular attendees to St Mary's, and occasional visitors we like to keep in touch with, have either moved home, changed, or added phone numbers and/or email addresses. **We ask everyone who wants to be kept on our records to PLEASE email the parish office, stmary.harvington@rcaob.org.uk**, with your name, postal address, telephone number/s and email address (if you have one) along with the names of everyone in your household ... OR, if you would prefer to just write all of that information on paper, please post it in the little 'wooden' box on the table in the porch. There are pre-printed slips and pens next to the box to make it even easier for you!



THANK YOU AND FURTHER UPDATE ON GAZA

A big "Thank you" to everyone who contributed to the Gaza Collection last week. To date, over £2000 raised by the Catholic Church in the Wyre Forest, has been sent to our Head Office In Kenilworth.

Up to November 13th the Bank of Palestine in Gaza was still operating and we have transferred \$ 60,000 to the Gaza Churches which have been used to purchase food and medicines. Fr Yusef, the Latin Priest, says that they are rationing food to one meal a day and have enough for two weeks. However, poor sanitation has allowed disease to spread and there is no fuel available to buy. 50% of the Christian homes have been destroyed and we fear for the future of the Christian presence there. As of November 12th, 11,078 Palestinians have been killed and this includes over 7,500 Women and Children. There will be a great need to re-build to keep a Christian presence there when the Conflict is over.

The Episcopal (Anglican) Diocese of Jerusalem is still using our Bank to transfer monies to the Al Ahli Hospital which is just about still operational, the only one in Northern Gaza. Money sent buys supplies through the Red Cross, Red Crescent and the UNRWA, the only Agencies allowed to do this by the Israeli Defence Force. The limited power available powers Generators to sterilize surgical equipment, as around ten Operations a day are carried out; mainly Orthopaedic and Plastic Surgery on the over 200 wounded who are brought there daily. In the West Bank (around Bethlehem) the situation is deteriorating; nearly 200 Palestinians have been killed, mainly in clashes with Settlers; those with work permits for Israel cannot go there and with no Pilgrims and Visitors that source of Income has shut down. We will continue to support our Families there and give extra help where needed.

The saddest thing of all is that the Christian Churches and the Palestinian Authorities have cancelled all Festivities over Christmas, so no decorations or Christmas Tree in Manger Square, only Church Services will go ahead.

Please pray for all there and do access our website:

www.friendsoftheholylan.org.uk for prayers and further information.