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MASSES THIS WEEK (with YEAR B Readings)

Sunday 28 January Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Racial Justice Sunday

8.30am Mass intention for: *Private Intention*10.30am Mass Intention for: *People of The Parish* 

Second collection today for Racial Justice Sunday.

Monday 29 January Feria in Ordinary Time

No public Mass today Mass Intention for: *Private Intention* 

Tuesday 30 January Feria in Ordinary Time

10.00am Mass intention for: *Christopher Manton* 

Wednesday 31 January Memorial of St John Bosco, Priest

10.00am Mass intention for: *Dorina Emannelli*10.30am # Discussion Group in the stable

Thursday 1 February Feria in Ordinary Time

11.00am Mass Intention for: Jacob and Brogan

Friday 2 February Feast of the Presentation of the Lord

World Day of Prayer for the Consecrated Life

11.00am Mass intention for: *Private Intention* 

Saturday 3 February Memorial of St Blaise, 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 4 February Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

8.30am Mass intention for: *People of The Parish*10.30am Mass Intention for: *Private Intention* 

# Every **Wednesday after the 10 o'clock Mass**, you are all warmly invited to a friendly group meeting, lead by Fr John to do as Pope Francis suggests and consider the basics of prayer and praying.



Anniversaries in January: Rev John Morgan (1718), Thomas Mewburn Crook (1949), Charles Keeffe (1977), Margaret Steele (1978), Ronald Fry (1978), Leofric Howell (1995), Sir Robert Grant Ferris (1997), Juliet Bradley (2001), Eve Mary Smith (2001), Anne Mulroy (2004), Elizabeth Bashford (2005), Bernadette Pinfield (2007), William Eardley 2009, Thaddeus Keane 2010, Pam Taft (2011), Denis Thomas Kimberlin (2014), Ellie Tansey (2019), Ray Fogg (2019), Noel Clark (2019)

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In your prayers please remember those who are sick and asked for our prayers:

Deirdre Brookes, Stephen Brown, Beth Downing, Shirley Grant, Peter Handley, Annick Harvey, Elizabeth Howell, Angela MacGarrow, Ann Murphy, Paul Morrison, John & Ellen Mottram, Patricia Newton, Kevin O'Connor, Ann Parry, Jeanne Round, Karen Wright.



... for all your offerings and donations.

Contributions to the Parish: 14-21 January:

 Regular, weekly Gift Aid Direct Debit:
 £316.00

 Gift Aid Envelopes:
 £105.00

 Loose cash:
 £278.78

**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 / <u>safeguarding@rcaob.org.uk</u> if you have any concern.

PARISH COUNCIL CHAIRMAN: Peter Boszko - <a href="mailto:stmary.harvington@rcaob.org.uk">stmary.harvington@rcaob.org.uk</a>
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## HARVINGTON HISTORY FESTIVAL

24th -28th July 2024.

## Pre-Public booking for parishioners.

For their second History Festival, Harvington Hall presents another superb line up of top historians (authors & broadcasters). Eight new faces, including Estelle Paranque, Gareth Russell & Helen Carr will join returning favourites including Tracy Borman, Ruth Goodman, Alison Weir & Nicola Tallis. Again, there will be a Festival Concert of beautiful Elizabethan music in St Mary's Church (Fri 26th July).

Parishioners can book tickets ahead of the public until Sunday night 28th January using a special link\* with details of all the events and ticketing. As many events will sell out quickly, you're encouraged to use this link before general public sales start Mon 29th.

\*The link was sent on the 25th to everyone on our database who usually receives the newsletter via email each Friday. If you do not receive those mailings and wish to be added, please contact the parish office: stmary.harvington@rcaob.org.uk For Festival enquiries please contact Hilary Boszko: 01562 884821



With half-term approaching, when children entitled to free toodbank school meals are at home for a week, our local FOOD BANK is likely to being experiencing an increased demand for their services.

If you would like to donate food and other essentials please bring them to church and we will be deliver them on your behalf to the Kidderminster Food Bank collection point on Monday 5th February.

If you would prefer to donate money this will also be delivered on your behalf directly to the collection point. Please put cash or cheques (made payable to 'The Kidderminster Foodbank') in an envelope marked 'KIDDERMINSTER FOOD BANK' and put it in the Offertory collection at Mass or, at other times, post through the letter box in the door of the Priest's House.



The **HARVINGTON BOOK GROUP** are reading *The Anarchy* by William Dalrymple and will meet to discuss the work on Monday 12 February at 9.30 am as usual in the Stable. Everyone is welcome to come along, whether or not you have read the book!





**RACIAL JUSTICE SUNDAY** is the day the church focuses on the need to oppose racism and pursue racial justice with renewed vigour.

The theme for Racial Justice Sunday 2024 is:

"Seeing one another in the life of the Church".

It is important to recognise that we are all children of God, regardless of our race and background. This year's theme seeks to promote reflection, discussion and action on our theme and to encourage us to carry this through in the weeks and months after Racial Justice Sunday.

This prayer is for individuals or parishes to use on Racial Justice Sunday:

God of our past, present and future,
you created each one of us in your image and likeness,
help us to recognise you in each person.
As we pray for end to suffering caused by racism
lead us this day to walk with one another,
pray with one another and work together,
so that we create a future based on justice and healing,
where all can fulfil the hope you have for all peoples.
We ask this through Christ our Lord.
Amen