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MASSES THIS WEEK (with YEAR B Readings)

Sunday 18 August

Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Diocesan Novena to Blessed Dominic Barberi

8.30am

Mass intention for: *People of the Parish*

10.30am

Mass intention for: *Joan Lewis R.I.P.*

Monday 19 August

Memorial of St John Eudes, Priest

Diocesan Novena to Blessed Dominic Barberi.

1.00pm

Requiem Mass for *Patricia Newton R.I.P.*

Tuesday 20 August

Memorial of St Bernard, Abbot, Doctor of the Church

Diocesan Novena to Blessed Dominic Barberi

10.00am

Mass Intention: *Stan Robson R.I.P.*

Wednesday 21 August

Memorial of St Pius X, Pope

Diocesan Novena to Blessed Dominic Barberi

10.00am

Mass intention for: *Anthony Francis-Flores R.I.P.*

10.30am# Discussion Group

Thursday 22 August

Memorial of the Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Diocesan Novena to Blessed Dominic Barberi

11.00am

Mass intention for: *Private Intention*

Friday 23 August

Feast of St John Wall, Priest, Martyr

Diocesan Novena to Blessed Dominic Barberi

7.00pm in the Upper Chapel of Harvington Hall

Mass intention for: *Private Intention*

Saturday 24 August

Feast of St Bartholomew, Apostle

Diocesan Novena to Blessed Dominic Barberi

10.00am

Mass intention for: *Private Intention*

Sunday 25 August

Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time

Diocesan Novena to Blessed Dominic Barberi

8.30am

Mass intention for: *Private Intention*

10.30am

Mass intention for: *People of the Parish*

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), Patricia Carter (2022), Joan Lewis (2023), Daniel Ybert (2023)

In your charity, please pray for the repose of the soul of
Patricia Newton
 who died on Wednesday 17th July
May she Rest In Peace.

Patricia's Requiem Mass will take place at St Mary's at 1.00pm on Monday 19th August.

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

Deirdre Brookes, Stephen Brown, Beth Downing, Norma Fox, Shirley Grant, Peter Handley, Elizabeth Howell, Angela MacGarrow, Ann Murphy, John & Ellen Mottram, Kevin O'Connor, Ann Parry.

Thank you!


... for all your offerings and donations.


Contributions to the Parish: 4-11 August:

Regular, weekly Gift Aid Direct Debit:	£316.00
Gift Aid Envelopes:	£105.90
Loose cash:	£271.40



The **KIDDERMINSTER FOODBANK** send their sincere thanks to everyone who contributed so generously to our parish collection last weekend. Along with groceries and other essential items, a total of £651.42 in cheques and cash was delivered to the collection point in Kidderminster on Monday.

 **PLEASE DO NOT LEAVE MONEY OR ENVELOPES CONTAINING MONEY IN THE PORCH.** 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. 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 and procedures at all times. Our Parish Safeguarding Representative 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.



Diocesan Novena for the Canonisation of
BLESSED DOMINIC BARBERI 18-26 August

NOVENA PRAYER

O God who so lovingly raised Blessed Dominic Barberi to the heights of holiness, learning, apostolic zeal and made him a powerful minister of your mercy, listen to our humble request.

We pray that you will in your goodness, grant a miracle through the intercession of Blessed Dominic, so that the Church may further honour him on earth and that many more people will come to know and invoke the help of this faithful servant of the Church. We ask this through Christ Our Lord, Amen.

Mary Mother of Holy Hope: Pray for us.

Saint John Henry Newman: Pray for Us.

Blessed Dominic Barberi: Pray for Us.

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A parishioner who will be transporting relief supplies to orphanages, old folks' homes and first aid stations to **Ukraine** in early September is interested in receiving any **candles, torches and thermos flasks** that people can offer. **Contact Peter 07534687524.**

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On **Wednesdays after the 10 o'clock Mass**, a friendly group meeting takes place in the stable at St Mary's to which you are all warmly invited. The discussion topic is introduced by Fr John, followed by free flowing conversation and comment.

Come along on any Wednesday ... give it a try!

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EVERYONE IS INVITED ...

... to come into the stable after both Masses each Sunday morning to meet one another, and socialise over a hot drink and biscuits.



Fr John has been tidying up the shelves in his study and has let go of many books from his collection he has already read or are duplicate copies. While you are there in the stable, please help yourself and take a book, or more, from the boxes. Enjoy!

ST JOHN WALL

Saint John Wall was born near Preston in Lancashire in the year 1620.

When old enough to leave home he was sent to the famous Seminary at Douai where he studied Humanities until the year 1641. He then went to Rome where he studied for the priesthood. He was ordained in 1645.

In 1651 he became a Franciscan (called Father Joachim of St. Anne) and returned to England in 1656 to spend 23 years in missionary work: 12 of these were spent in the neighbourhood of **Harvington Hall**.



Image of a stained glass window in Harvington Hall

It was at Rushock Court, not very far from Harvington, that Saint John Wall was captured in 1679 and taken before a Justice of the Peace where he made a public profession of his religion and also swore loyalty to the King. All to no avail as he was taken to Worcester where he faced trial. On the 22nd August he was executed by being hung, drawn, and quartered. He died in his 60th year and the 29th year of his Priesthood. He was canonized on the 15th December 1970 by Pope Paul VI and his Feast Day is celebrated in the Birmingham Diocese on the **23rd August**. The large crucifix in our churchyard here at Harvington is dedicated to his memory.