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MASSES THIS WEEK (with YEAR B Readings)

- Sunday 29 September** **Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time**
8.30am Mass intention for: *People of the Parish*
10.30am Mass intention for: *Private Intention*
- Monday 30 September** **Memorial of St Jerome, Priest,
Doctor of the Church**
No Mass today
- Tuesday 1 October** **Memorial of St Thérèse of the Child Jesus,
Virgin, Doctor of the Church**
10.00am Mass Intention: *Fr George Malecki R.I.P.*
- Wednesday 2 October** **Memorial of the Holy Guardian Angels**
10.00am Mass intention for: *Dorina Emannelli*
10.30am# Discussion Group in the stable. All are welcome.
- Thursday 3 October** **Feria in Ordinary Time**
11.00am Mass intention for: *Stan Robson R.I.P.*
- Friday 4 October** **Memorial of St Francis of Assisi
Harvest Fast Day**
11.00am Mass intention for: *Bernard Millard R.I.P.*
- Saturday 5 October** **Memorial of St Faustina Kowalska, Virgin**
10.00am Mass intention for: *Private Intention*
The **SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION (Confession)** is available following this
Mass and by appointment at other times.
- Sunday 6 October** **Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time**
8.30am Mass intention for: *People of the Parish*
10.30am Mass intention for: *John Townsend R.I.P.*
There will be a second collection on this day for CAFOD, Harvest Fast

Anniversaries in September: Rev William Thompson (1726), Rev Francis Parker (1779), Rev Richard Cornthwaite (1803), William Parkes, Thomas Parkes (1895), Ellen Ryan Ferris(1955) Rev John Love (1961), Bernard McKay (1985), Catherine Dawson (1992), Patrick Dawson (1998), Faye Bullock (1999), Violet Grove (1999), Joseph Haydon (2000), Mgr James Crighton (2001), John Keenan (2002) Michael Broadbent (2006), Leonard Bernard Myerscough (2010), Frank Verlic (2014), Peter Stubbins (2016), Patsy Mullins (2017), Michael Bird (2020), James Purcell (2022), Siward James-Moore (2022), John Murray (2022), Bill Riley (2022).

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

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

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... for all your offerings and donations.



Contributions to the Parish: 15-22 September:

Regular, weekly Gift Aid Direct Debit:	£316.00
Gift Aid Envelopes:	£70.00
Loose cash:	£269.90
Second collection for Fr Hudson's Caritas:	£529.01

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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.

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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.

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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.

Not every parish that has its own stable!

We use ours here at Harvington for all sorts of small gatherings such as these:



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. Do come along for a cup of coffee and an exchange of ideas!



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Younger members of the parish (and/or visitors) attending the 10.30am Mass are always more than welcome to join our **CHILDREN'S LITURGY GROUP**. Starting in church, the Mass begins and children are greeted by the priest. They are then collected by Liturgy Group volunteers (all DBS certified) to take them over to the stable for their short meeting. The children then return to the church to take part in the Offertory

procession and rejoin their guardian/s or family member/s. From babies upwards, everyone is welcome! Please don't be concerned about crying, concentration spans etc, the group is run for the children to help develop their understanding of what the Liturgy is all about. They can choose to join in as much or as little as they like, with songs, prayers and/or colouring in. If children feel a little nervous at first, it's fine if their parent/guardian or friend comes with them to the stable.

For more details, please contact Emma Robinson by email:

er@insurance2day.co.uk or phone/text Emma on 07876 352 666



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The Harvington **BOOK GROUP** are currently reading *Cold Comfort Farm* by Stella Gibbons. 'A ruthless parody of rural melodramas and purple prose ... one of the best-loved comic novels of all time'. They will meet to discuss it on **Monday 14 October at 9.30am**, in the Stable. All of you are welcome to come along, whether or not you have read the book!



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Each Sunday, everyone is invited to the stable after both Masses to meet old and new friends along with a mug of coffee or tea and a biscuit (or more!) Please, don't be shy. Do join in!

During the month of **OCTOBER** we are encouraged to recite the **ROSARY**. In modern times successive popes have urged the faithful to pray the Rosary. It is a form of contemplative prayer, mental and vocal prayer, which brings down God's blessing on the Church. It is a biblically inspired prayer which is centred on meditation on the salvific mysteries of Christ in union with Mary, who was so closely associated with her Son in his redeeming activity.

The Vatican website offers advice on how to pray the Rosary:

https://www.vatican.va/special/rosary/documents/misteri_en.html



At Fatima, Our Lady asked that we pray at least 5 decades of the Rosary every day for world peace and the triumph of her Immaculate Heart.