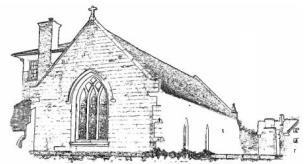


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MASSES THIS WEEK (with YEAR B Readings)

- Sunday 10 November** **Thirty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time**
Remembrance Day
8.30am Mass intention for: *George Hesketh*
10.30am Mass intention for: *People of the Parish*
- Monday 11 November** **Memorial of St Martin of Tours, Bishop**
No Mass today
- Tuesday 12 November** **Memorial of St Josaphat, Bishop, Martyr**
No Mass today
- Wednesday 13 November** **Feria in Ordinary Time**
10.00am Mass intention for: *Nasri family private*
10.30am# Discussion Group in the stable. All are welcome.
- Thursday 14 November** **Feria in Ordinary Time**
No Mass at St Mary's today as Fr John will be concelebrating Keith Mercer's Requiem
Mass at the church of Our Blessed Lady & St Alphonsus in Blackmore Park.
- Friday 15 November** **Feria in Ordinary Time**
11.00am Mass intention for: *Michael & Nora O'Sullivan R.I.P*
- Saturday 16 November** **Memorial of St Margaret of Scotland,**
Memorial of St Gertrude, Virgin
Memorial of St Edmund of Abingdon, Bishop
10.00am Mass intention for: *Roger Adey R.I.P.*
The SACRAMENT OF Reconciliation (Confession) is available following Mass
and by appointment at other times.
- Sunday 17 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: *People of the Parish*

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 charity, please pray for the repose of the souls of those who died recently
Keith Mercer

(Keith' Requiem Mass will take place on Thursday 14th November at Our Blessed Lady and St Alphonsus, Blackmore Park followed by his internment in the graveyard at St Mary's)

Mgr Graham Wilkinson (latterly parish priest of St Peter's, Bromsgrove)

May they Rest In Peace.

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: 27 October-3 November:

Regular, weekly Gift Aid Direct Debit:	£316.00
Gift Aid Envelopes:	£145.00
Loose cash:	£228.00
Second collection for the Johnson Association : ...	£447.88

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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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The emergency exit from the church is via the sacristy and through the house.



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 place in 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 from the table top in the porch) include it in the envelope.



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Harvington Craft Group will have their annual Christmas stall at St Cassians Church, Chaddesley Corbet on **Saturday 16th November from 10am until 12noon** and they would love to see you there for a spot of festive shopping.



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Mmmm Cake!

Isobel, one of our young parishioners at St Mary's has been chosen by Girlguiding Worcestershire to travel to Finland for twelve days to volunteer in a service project helping the community and environment in Punkaharju, Eastern Finland in 2025. To help finance the trip, Isobel is raising funds in various ways including by running **a cake sale in the stable after both Masses on Sunday 17th November 2024.**

(Isobel also has 'gofundme' page for donations online: <https://gofund.me/0cafd3eb>)



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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.**



GEORGE GRIFFIN 1897-1919

Buried at St Mary's, Harvington on the 10th May 1919. Awarded a Commonwealth War Graves Commission (CWGC) headstone.

In the 1911 census George is listed as 14 years of age, working with his father on their farm. His younger brother, Thomas aged 11, was at school. His grandmother Sarah had died and was buried here at St Mary's in 1906.

George joined the Army on 21st February 1916, he was a private with the Royal Warwickshire 1/7th battalion. He was posted for duty on 5th May 1916 and saw service in France and Italy.

On 11th November 1918 the war ended but George succumbed to influenza. He was initially hospitalised in Genoa and from there transferred to Marseilles. Finally, he arrived in the UK on the hospital ship Aberdonia and admitted to hospital in Cardiff. Having been diagnosed with influenza, bronco- pneumonia and pleurisy he convalesced in Cardiff.

George Griffin was medically discharged from the army on 12th January 1919 as it was recognized that he would never be fit enough to re-join the ranks. Sadly, George died, at home, on the 5th May 1919, aged 22 – three years to the day when he was first posted for duty with the Royal Warwickshire's.

Purshall Green, the address given variously as Rushock or Elmbridge, is off Clattercut Lane on the way to Droitwich. It is within the Roman Catholic parish of St Mary's but it is outside the parish of Chaddesley Corbett, so George Griffin's name does not appear on the war memorial at St Cassian's church. Instead he is commemorated on the war memorial at St Mary's Church, Elmbridge. This takes the form of a stained-glass window inside the church.

His father Henry died in 1931 aged 68 and was buried here at St Mary's next to his son – this is the last record we have at St Mary's. However, his family still continue at the farm.

Research, courtesy of Elizabeth Mountford.



REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY

On this day we remember all those who gave their lives for their country, all who suffered and died through acts of war and those left behind to grieve and mourn.

**Eternal rest, grant unto them, O LORD,
And let perpetual light shine upon them.**

May they rest in peace.

Amen

