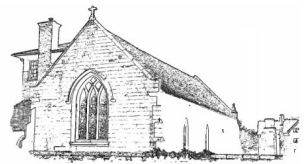


# ST MARY'S CHURCH HARVINGTON, DY10 4LR



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## MASSES THIS WEEK (with YEAR B Readings)

- 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*
- Monday 18 November**      **Memorial of the Dedication of the Basilicas of**  
No Mass today      **Ss Peter and Paul**
- Tuesday 19 November**      **Feria in ordinary Time**  
10.00am      Mass intention for: *Philip Rogers R.I.P.*
- Wednesday 20 November**      **Feria in Ordinary Time**  
10.00am      Mass intention for: *Stan Robson R.I.P.*  
10.30am# Discussion Group in the stable. All are welcome.
- Thursday 21 November**      **Memorial of the Presentation of**  
**the Blessed Virgin Mary**  
11.00am      Mass intention for: *Karen Wright R.I.P.*
- Friday 22 November**      **Memorial of St Cecilia, Virgin Martyr**  
11.00am      Mass intention for: *The Newton family.*
- Saturday 23 November**      **Memorial of St Clement I, Pope, Martyr**  
**Memorial of St Columbian, Abbot, Missionary**  
10.00am      Mass intention for: *Private Intention*  
The SACRAMENT OF Reconciliation (Confession) is available following Mass and by appointment at other times.
- Sunday 24 November**      **Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ,**  
**King of the Universe**  
National Youth Sunday\*  
8.30am      Mass intention for: *People of the Parish*  
10.30am      Mass intention for: *Deceased members of the*  
*Kidderminster Catenian Association.*

\*There will be a second collection on this day for Catholic Youth Services.

**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 soul of  
**Mgr Graham Wilkinson** (latterly parish priest of St Peter's, Bromsgrove)  
**May he Rest in Peace.**

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**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.

*Thank you!*

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 ... for all your offerings and donations.  
**Contributions to the Parish: 3-10 November:**  
 Regular, weekly Gift Aid Direct Debit: ..... £316.00  
 Gift Aid Envelopes: ..... £95.00  
 Loose cash: ..... £356.06

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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](mailto:sg.stmary.harvington@rcaob.org.uk) or alternatively, the Diocesan Safeguarding team can be contacted on: 0121 2306240 / [safeguarding@rcaob.org.uk](mailto: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.



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 8 December** and we will deliver them to the Home Start Wyre Forest headquarters on your behalf. If you would prefer to donate cash or a cheque, made payable to '**Home-Start Wyre Forest**', please put it in the Offertory collection **in an envelope marked HOME-START**. Donations will be passed directly to the Home-Start Treasurer. THANK YOU in anticipation!

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### **CAROL SINGING AT THE DOG**

We are all invited to **THE DOG** public house and restaurant, Harvington on **Tuesday 10th December** where our choir will be leading the singing of Christmas Carols from 7.000pm.

The management of The Dog are generously providing mince pies and glasses of mulled wine to help the festive spirit! A collection will be taken in aid of the Kidderminster Food Bank. In addition, if parishioners would like to dine there that evening they will be offered a discount if they book a table in advance either by phone, 01562 777253 or online: <https://www.doginpub.co.uk/>

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**Mmmm .... Cake!** Don't forget to make your way to the stable after either of the two Masses on Sunday where Isobel, one of our young parishioners will be selling cakes in an effort to raise funds to go to Finland next year to work on a community project with Girlguiding Worcestershire. (Isobel also has 'gofundme' page for donations online: <https://gofund.me/0cafd3eb>)



St Mary's Parish regularly collect donations of practical items and money for our local Foodbank in Kidderminster. Last Sunday, we had spontaneous 'second collections' for cash following both Masses and the response from parishioners was magnificent. Along with **food, toiletries and household necessities**, parishioners donated the astonishing total of **£1116** (yes, one thousand, one hundred and sixteen pounds!). It was all handed over to a very grateful team at the Foodbank on Monday, resulting in this message from the Manager:

*Dear Father John,*

*I just wanted to pass on a heartfelt thank you for not only the continued support from St. Mary's parishioners throughout the year, but for the incredibly generous donation that has just been passed on to me.*

*We are seeing more and more people walk through our doors who are struggling with paying bills, feeding the family, and buying clothes. As the need for heating rises, so does the amount of people needing to use the food bank. Christmas time brings even more expense, and not to mention pressure. This amazing donation will go towards giving our clients a much happier Christmas, at a time when things must be feeling very bleak.*

*We are incredibly fortunate to see the difference your donations make to real people. A visit to the food bank often starts with apprehension, shame and tears...but ends with a smile. So, please pass on a huge thank you to all who donated and let them know every donation makes a big difference to someone in need.*

*With kind regards,*

*Nina Price*

*Kidderminster Foodbank Manager*