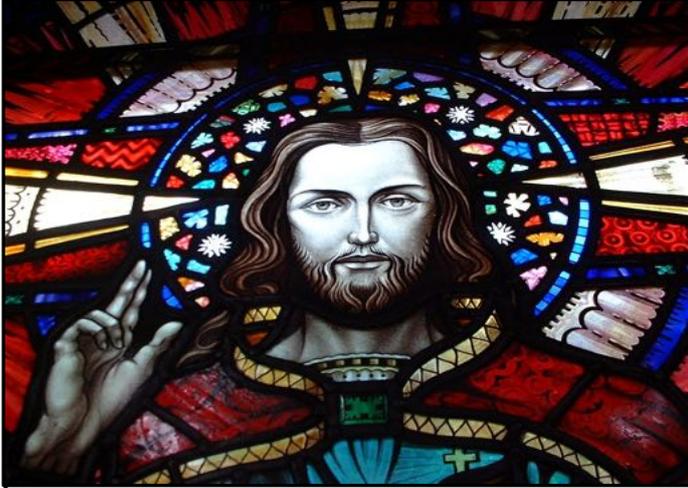


# newsletter



21 and 22 October 2017

29<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Ordinary time – Year A



## Catholic Parish of The Sacred Heart

### *Our Mission*

Through the power of the Holy Spirit we will be a parish renewed in our knowledge and understanding of the love of Jesus Christ, to enable each of us to fulfil our Christian mission



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## The Glorious Mysteries – Thursday 26 October, 7.30 pm

The Glorious Mysteries are the crown of Jesus' triumphs. How exhilarating to know that Jesus is God and that he rose from the dead, thereby destroying death and making you an heir to heaven.



Reminding yourself of these glorious events in the Glorious Mysteries as you pray the rosary prayer, will keep your faith alive and strong. The Catholic rosary prayers conclude with these final glorious events. Jesus resurrection is the foundation of Christian belief.

These will be led by Mothers' Prayers; everyone is welcome to join them.

After the Resurrection of Jesus, he ascended into heaven. There he now sits at the right hand of God the Father.

He sent the Holy Spirit to strengthen humankind. He took his mother, body and soul up to heaven then crowned her as queen of heaven and earth.

- The Resurrection of Jesus – Three days after Jesus is crucified, he rises gloriously from the dead.
- The Ascension of Jesus into heaven – After promising to send a helper, Jesus ascends into heaven upon a cloud.
- The Descent of the Holy Spirit – The promised helper descends on the apostle and Mary and appears as tongues of fire on the first Pentecost.
- The Assumption – Mary is taken into heaven, body and soul.
- Coronation of Mary – Mary is crowned by Jesus as queen of heaven and earth.

Taken from <http://www.how-to-pray-the-rosary-everyday.com/glorious-mysteries.html>

## Remembering ...

In November we take special care to remember those we have loved and cared for, but who have died. We recall them and celebrate their lives and the way they loved us, cared for us and taught us. This is why the Church begins November with the feast day of All Saints and the Commemoration of All Souls.



By recalling their memory we build a personal shrine, not as a table in a corner, but as a place in our hearts for those we love.

Use the slip, which is part of the leaflet available next weekend, to record the names of your family, friends and acquaintances you wish to be remembered in prayer throughout the month of November.

Place the slip in the basket provided in the sanctuary, where it will remain throughout the month. All the names will be dedicated to our prayers at the Mass of Commemoration of All Souls to be celebrated on Thursday **2 November** at 9.30 am.

## Memorial Masses for the Dead

It is traditional in the Church for families to request a Mass for the deceased members of their families and for their deceased friends.

Envelopes will be provided in church for you to include a list of their names and to place a Mass offering. The diocese suggests a gift of between £5.00 and £10.00, or as much as you can afford. These should be handed to Deacon Philip who will then arrange Mass for the Intentions listed, and for those requesting the memorial Mass.

Deacon Philip will be happy to tell you more about how to request a Mass.



The Youcat group are going to have a Youth ALPHA Programme at Sacred Heart Flitwick on selected Saturday afternoons from 4.30 pm till 6.00 pm.

The ALPHA programme is well respected and encouraged by Catholic theologians including Fr. Cantalamessa, Preacher to the Papal Household.

The ALPHA programme offers an opportunity to explore the Christian faith, ask lots of challenging questions, and at Sacred Heart you will also enjoy

some Krispy Kreme doughnuts!

We will run the ALPHA programme with the help of Steve Harris, youth worker from the diocese. We start at 4.30 pm on Saturday afternoon (dates below) with doughnuts, followed by a film then chat and questions. We will finish in time for 6.00 pm Mass, and after Christmas, finish with a short time of special prayer.

4 November Is there more to life than this?

18 November Who is Jesus?

2 December Why did Jesus die?

16 December How can we have faith?

13 January Why and how do we pray?

27 January Why and how do I read the Bible?

24 February How does God guide us?

10 March Retreat Day

24 March How can I resist evil?

21 April Why and how should I tell others?

12 May Does God heal today?

9 June What about the Church?

For more information contact Maggie or Helen on [youcat@sacredheartflitwick.co.uk](mailto:youcat@sacredheartflitwick.co.uk)

Thank you for your weekly contribution to the parish. For 14 and 15 October the total was £402.90. With thanks, Finance Committee.

## Sacred Heart Flitwick 100 CLUB

The latest draw took place on 8 October. The winners were

1<sup>st</sup> prize Tom Eastwood

2<sup>nd</sup> prize Sue Norman

3<sup>rd</sup> prize John Colleran



Tea and coffee will be available after 9.00 am Mass. All welcome

### GOOD NEWS, GREAT JOY

It's that time again, time to fill a shoebox for Operation Christmas Child. Shoeboxes need to be returned to the back of the church or to Clare Bevan by **6 November**. Leaflets advising what and what not to put in your box and decorated shoeboxes will available **this weekend**.



### CHARISMATIC PRAYER GROUP

The next meeting is on **1 November**, 8.00 pm till 9.30 pm. Please contact Nicky Paterson on 01525 750 654.



Today is World Mission Sunday World Mission Sunday is your chance to support missionaries and the Church in proclaiming the gospel of peace to those who suffer around the world. By supporting Missio, the Pope's official charity for overseas mission, you will be sharing the peace and love of Christ with all people, by helping everyone in need, regardless of background or belief. Today, your prayers and your donation will help a spirit of peace spread across South Sudan and around the world. Please give what you can, and if possible, use the Gift Aid envelopes if you are a taxpayer. Thank you.



The next meeting of the Sewing Group will be on **23 October** from 2.00 pm till 4.00 pm. For information contact Clare Bevan 01525 403 589.



Mothers' Prayers will meet on Monday, **23 October** at 7.30 pm at 80 George Street, Maulden. You are very welcome to join us to pray for your family intentions in full confidentiality. Ring Sue Barley on 01525 634186. We meet fortnightly.



### BAPTISM PREPARATION COURSE FOR NEW PARENTS

The next baptism preparation classes will be held on Saturdays **28 October and 4 November**, starting at 10.00 am for one hour in the St Francis Suite.



We encourage all new parents asking for baptism of their child, to attend. We also welcome parents who may wish to renew their preparation for baptism as their families grow.

Asking for baptism for your child is the start of your child's sacramental journey in the Church. The sessions look at your role in the development of your child's faith, what you ask of the Church and the promises you make on behalf of your child. We look forward to seeing you and your family.

Godparents and grandparents are welcome to join us.

### NIGHT OF LIGHT PARTY

**TUESDAY 31 OCTOBER**

**FROM 6.00 PM TILL 8.00 PM**

A fun-filled alternative to Halloween, celebrating the eve of All Saints with fun and laughter, games and yummy food – all treats and NO tricks! Wear bright, joyful clothes.

Children must be accompanied by an adult. Cost is £5 per family. For more information contact Kate on 01462 813 166.

### CIRCLE OF PRAYER FOR OCTOBER FAIR TREATMENT FOR PRISONERS

O Lord, we pray for your protecting grace for our brothers and sisters in prison. We pray you will protect them from harassment, threats of violence and from the evil influence of fellow inmates. We pray for your protection of their bodies, minds, souls and spirits and that they are treated fairly while in prison.



We welcome Anna, daughter of Colette and Kevin Davies, who will be baptised into the Catholic community on Saturday.



We ask the parish to pray for her and her family on this special day, and wish her and her family all God's blessings on their journey of faith.

## INFORMATION

### CONFESSION

Confession will be on Saturday evening at 5.30 pm and Wednesday at 7.15 pm.

### PRAYER LINE

Please ring for intercessory prayer on 01525 634 186. We have some wonderful answers to prayers. Be assured of full confidentiality.

### CARDS, GIFTS, etc.

Are available for sale in Sacred Heart church after Mass. All are priced. Please put money in the repository box at the back of the church.

### SAFEGUARDING

For information contact Paula Bates on 07834 715 978 or [safeguarding@sacredheartflitwick.co.uk](mailto:safeguarding@sacredheartflitwick.co.uk)

### CHURCH NEWSLETTER ONLINE

at <http://www.sacredheartflitwick.co.uk>

### IN HOSPITAL, SICK OR HOUSE-BOUND?

Please let us know of anyone who needs a visit or requires Holy Communion at home.

**THE ST VINCENT DE PAUL GROUP** meets every Monday at 7.30 pm. If you would like to join us or want more details or if you know of anyone who needs a visit, help with transport or any other need, contact John Flanagan on 01525 406 810.

### LITTLE 'UNS

Meet every Friday 10.15 am to 11.45 am in term time, in the church hall. This is a group for babies and pre-schoolers. For further information please contact Deacon Philip on [deaconphilip@sacredheartflitwick.co.uk](mailto:deaconphilip@sacredheartflitwick.co.uk).

### MASS INTENTIONS

For Mass intentions contact Deacon Philip who will arrange for Fr. John or Fr. Nathaniel or another local priest to say a Mass.

## Mass Times at Sacred Heart

Saturday	21 October	6.00 pm	Lucy Reilly, Recently Deceased, RIP
Sunday	22 October	9.00 am	Moira Burton, Recently Deceased, RIP
Monday	23 October	9.30 am	Thanksgiving for 35 years of marriage, Catherine and Hugh Davies
Tuesday	24 October		No Service
Wednesday	25 October	7.30 pm	Con Hurlihy, Anniversary, RIP
Thursday	26 October	9.30 am	John Hurlihy, Anniversary, RIP
Friday	27 October	9.30 am	Moira Burton, Recently Deceased, RIP

**Newsletter copy deadline** – Tuesday midday. Newsletter contact: Suzanne Yates; 01525 840 661; [suz\\_yates@btinternet.com](mailto:suz_yates@btinternet.com)

### Readers, Eucharistic Ministers and Drivers for this week, 21 and 22 October

Mass	6.00 pm	9.00 am
1 <sup>st</sup> Reading	Mary Brown	Noelette Hanley
2 <sup>nd</sup> Reading	Noreen Weighell	Martin Brennan
Eucharistic Minister	Deacon Philip Pugh	Martin Stynes
Eucharistic Minister	Don Perrett	Hilary Brennan
Driver		Ros Penn

### Readers, Eucharistic Ministers and Drivers for next week 28 and 29 October

Mass	6.00 pm	9.00 am
1 <sup>st</sup> Reading	Suzanne Yates	Ann Leatherland
2 <sup>nd</sup> Reading	Fredrick Werrett	Brendan Spillane
Eucharistic Minister	Deacon Philip Pugh	Clare Bevan
Eucharistic Minister	Pat King	Anne Gadsden
Driver		David Toland