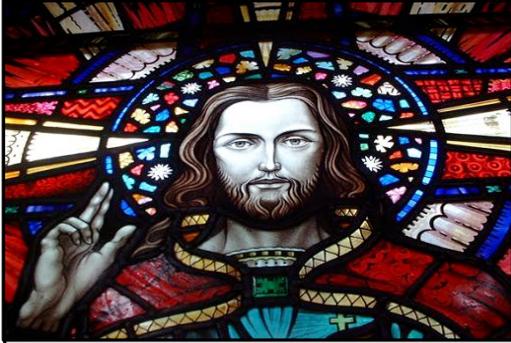


# newsletter



28 October 2018

Thirtieth Sunday of Ordinary Time, Year B



**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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Thank you for your contribution to the parish. For 21 October the offertory was £321.96 and standing orders were £623.00. With thanks, the Finance Committee.

## FEAST OF ALL SAINTS – 1 NOVEMBER

This feast dates back to the seventh century, and the occasion of its introduction was the conversion of the ancient Pantheon at Rome in a Christian church. This famous temple, which possibly existed in the time of the Republic, is generally considered to have been built by Marcus Agrippa in his third consulate in 27 BC, but it is not improbable that he merely restored and added to it. Historians do not agree the origin of its name, but Pliny tells us that Agrippa dedicated it to Jupiter the Avenger; Septimus Severus and his son Caracalla afterwards repaired it.

In the beginning of the seventh century, the Emperor Phocas gave it to Pope Boniface IV, who converted it into a church and dedicated it to the Blessed Virgin and all the saints, about the year AD 608. The feast of this dedication was kept on 13 May; before that event the feast of all the Apostles had been celebrated on the first of the same month.

About AD 731, Pope Gregory III consecrated a chapel in St Peter's church in honour of all the saints, and since then the Feast of All Saints has been celebrated in Rome. Gregory IV, while in France in AD 837, greatly encouraged the celebration of this feast in that country. The Greeks celebrated the feast of All Saints on the Sunday after Pentecost.

**PRAYER:** God, you allow us to honour all your saints in one common festival. Through the prayers of so many intercessors, grant us an abundance of your merciful favours which we so greatly desire.

Adapted from <http://www.paulandpeters.com/blog/feast-saints/>



The SVP will lead the Rosary this week, on Monday 29 September starting at 7.00 pm. (Please note earlier time) They will say the Joyful Mysteries which were in the newsletter of 30 September.

Readers and Eucharistic Ministers		
Mass	This Sunday, 28 October	Next Sunday, 4 November
1 <sup>st</sup> Reading	Alison Braniff	Brendan Spillane
2 <sup>nd</sup> Reading	Noelette Hanley	Maggie Dullaghan
Eucharistic	Helen Wilson	Myriam Rincon
Eucharistic	Nicky Paterson	Carlos Rincon
Driver	William Doyle	Ros Penn

### HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION

Thursday 1 November is All Saints Day with Mass at Sacred Heart at 7.30 pm and Service of the Word with Communion at 9.30 am.

All Souls' Day will be celebrated on Friday 2 November with Mass at 10.00 am. This will be followed by a procession to the cemetery for prayers and blessing for our deceased relatives.

### Mass Times at Sacred Heart

Sunday	28 October	9.00 am	Private Intentions and Intentions of Mr Brooker
Tuesday	30 October	9.30 am	No Mass – moved to Wednesday
Tuesday	30 October	2.00 pm	Funeral Service for Sheila Sharpe
Wednesday	31 October	9.30 am	Paul Whately, RIP
Thursday	1 November	9.30 am	Service of the Word and Communion for All Saints
Thursday	1 November	7.30 pm	All Saints Day – Intentions of all the Saints
Friday	2 November	10.00 am	All Souls Day – Intentions of all the Souls

### CIRCLE OF PRAYER FOR OCTOBER – THE WORK OF OUR SCHOOLS

Almighty God, we pray for our schools and the staff and students who work and study in them. We pray that our schools are places of great discovery, adventure, creativity and holiness. May they be places where all learn to love and love to learn, a place where everyone is respected and deeply valued. We ask this through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

## DO YOU WISH TO DEEPEN YOUR PRAYER LIFE?

**BOOK NOW  
19-23 November**



The forthcoming 'Week of Guided Prayer' aims to help people, no matter what stage of prayer they are at, to enrich and deepen their spirituality, so that those moments of experiencing God's love and receiving insights into faith and life, can also become richer and deeper.

It is a week when you can spend a little time every day developing your prayer life with guidance from a prayer companion. The companions are wise, spiritual, friendly, and have experience of the many differing approaches to prayer.

All in all, the aim is to help you to enrich your spirituality.

You can register online by requesting a booking form email at [guidedprayerweek@sacredheartflitwick.co.uk](mailto:guidedprayerweek@sacredheartflitwick.co.uk). For more information talk to Deacon Philip, on 07711 953 926

## 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. The names will be dedicated to our prayers at the Mass of Commemoration of All Souls to be celebrated on Friday **2 November** at 10.00 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.



## INFORMATION

### CONFESSION

Confession will be at 8.40 am on Sunday and at 9.45 am on Friday.

### 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 at [safeguarding@sacredheartflitwick.co.uk](mailto:safeguarding@sacredheartflitwick.co.uk)

### CHURCH NEWSLETTER ONLINE

<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

meet in the church every Monday at 7.30 pm. Members provide help, support and friendship to anyone in need. They offer this support through befriending visits. Call Brendan Spillane, 01525 861 949 to find out more about their work.

### LITTLE 'UNS

Meet every Friday 10.30 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 at [deaconphilip@sacredheartflitwick.co.uk](mailto:deaconphilip@sacredheartflitwick.co.uk)

### MASS INTENTIONS

For Mass Intentions, contact Suzanne Yates who will arrange for Fr. John or another local priest to say a Mass.

## NIGHT OF LIGHT PARTY

**WEDNESDAY 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.

### CHANGE OF MASS TIME

Due another commitment Fr. John will be saying Mass this week on WEDNESDAY 31 October at 9.30 am instead of Tuesday and there will be no Service of the Word and Communion on Wednesday evening.

## 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 **11 November**. Leaflets advising what and what not to put in your box and decorated shoeboxes will available **this weekend** at a cost of 50p each.



**Christmas cards, Advent calendars, etc. will be on sale after Mass on 11, 18 and 25 November and 2 December.**



The second collection for the Columban Fathers was £341.90. Thank you everyone for your generosity.



### SHEILA PATRICIA SHARPE, RIP

Please remember Sheila Sharpe in your prayers. Her funeral will be held on Tuesday 30 October at 2.00 pm. All our sympathy and prayers go to Sheila's family.



**Newsletter copy deadline** – Thursday midday.  
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Everyone is welcome to come for tea and coffee after Sunday Mass.



Mothers' Prayers will meet on Monday **12 November**. We meet fortnightly to pray for our children and have had many answers to our prayers. Ring Sue Barley on 01525 634186 for details.



The sewing group will meet on **12 November** from 2.00 pm till 4.00 pm. For information contact Clare Bevan 01525 403 589.



**CHARISMATIC PRAYER GROUP**  
This group will meet again on **7 November**. Please contact Nicky Paterson on 01525 750 654.

