

# newsletter



10 November 2019

32<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Ordinary Time, Year C



**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 3 November it was £244.30 and standing orders were £750.00. With thanks, Finance Committee

## FEAST OF ST ALBERT THE GREAT – 15 NOVEMBER

Albert the Great was a 13<sup>th</sup> century German Dominican who decisively influenced the Church's stance toward Aristotelian philosophy brought to Europe by the spread of Islam.

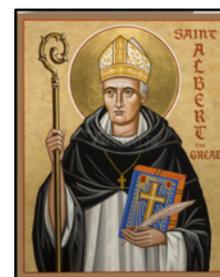
Students of philosophy know him as the master of Thomas Aquinas. Albert's attempt to understand Aristotle's writings established the climate in which Thomas Aquinas developed his synthesis of Greek wisdom and Christian theology. But Albert deserves recognition on his own merits as a curious, honest, and diligent scholar.

He was the eldest son of a powerful and wealthy German lord of military rank. He was educated in the liberal arts. Despite fierce family opposition, he entered the Dominican novitiate.

His boundless interests prompted him to write a compendium of all knowledge: natural science, logic, rhetoric, mathematics, astronomy, ethics, economics, politics, and metaphysics. His explanation of learning took 20 years to complete. 'Our intention,' he said, "is to make all the aforesaid parts of knowledge intelligible to the Latins.'

He achieved his goal while serving as an educator at Paris and Cologne, as Dominican provincial, and even as bishop of Regensburg for a short time. He defended the mendicant orders and preached the Crusade in Germany and Bohemia.

Albert, a Doctor of the Church, is the patron of scientists and philosophers.



### Reflection

An information glut faces us Christians today in all branches of learning. One needs only to read current Catholic periodicals to experience the varied reactions to the findings of the social sciences, for example, in regard to Christian institutions, Christian life-styles, and Christian theology. Ultimately, in canonizing Albert, the Church seems to point to his openness to truth, wherever it may be found, as his claim to holiness. His characteristic curiosity prompted Albert to mine deeply for wisdom within a philosophy his Church warmed to with great difficulty.

<https://www.franciscanmedia.org>

| Readers and Eucharistic Ministers |                          |                          |
|-----------------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|
| Mass                              | This Sunday, 10 November | Next Sunday, 17 November |
| 1 <sup>st</sup> Reading           | Alison Braniff           | Ann Leatherland          |
| 2 <sup>nd</sup> Reading           | Martin Brennan           | Pat Crowe                |
| Eucharistic                       | Jane Crow                | Hilary Brennan           |
| Eucharistic                       | Ros Penn                 | John Flanagan            |
| Driver                            | David Toland             | Kate Mansford            |

**PARKING PERMITS**  
 Parking Permits are now due for renewal. If you have one and want it renewed please see Suzanne or Deacon Philip who will ensure you have a new permit for the beginning of December. If you do not have one and need one also see Suzanne.

| Mass Times at Sacred Heart |             |  |
|----------------------------|-------------|--|
| Sunday                     | 10 November | 9.00 am<br>Cassie Gallagher RIP, and the deceased members of the Gallagher family, Deceased members of the Chambers family, Deceased members of the Brooker family |
| Tuesday                    | 12 November | 9.30 am<br>Deceased members of the Bevan and Petersen families, Anne and Jimmy Brophy RIP, Betty and Jimmy Doody RIP, and Kevin Sexton, RIP.                       |
| Wednesday                  | 13 November | 9.30 am<br>Service of the Word and Communion   |
| Friday                     | 15 November | 10.00 am<br>Deceased members of the Campbell and McGrath families, Matthew Keenlside RIP, Tom and Ada Chadwick RIP   |

**Circle of Prayer for November  
 Our Young People**  
 God, our Father, we thank you for the gift of our children. We ask you to send your holy angels to protect and guide them each day so that they will walk the narrow path of purity, self-control and obedience as was taught to us by your own Son, Jesus Christ. We ask this through Jesus Christ our Lord in union with the Holy Spirit. Amen.

## CARE FOR OUR COMMON HOME – NOVEMBER

Pope Francis suggests that for November we should try to have a sustainable Christmas



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



### 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 and £10, or as much as you can afford. These should be handed to Deacon Philip who will then arrange Mass for the Intentions listed.

### Churches Together in Ampt Hill and Flitwick

are facilitating a series of small group discussions on varied themes to encourage Christian unity by improving our understanding of each other

### Session theme 1: Women in the Church

Thursday, 21 November  
7.30-8.30 pm  
Sacred Heart Church

### Christmas Cards For Sale

Christmas cards will be available after Mass today and then on the 17, 24 November and 1 December

### YEAR OF THE WORD OF THE LORD

Calling all readers and anyone who would like to read at Mass!

There will be a reader's reflection next month on Saturday 23 November, in the Parish Room from 10.30 am to 12.45 pm.

The theme will be 'The Letters of Paul, in the correct order!'

Led by Deacon Philip

Tea, coffee, and cake will be provided, and a warm snack before you depart.

**Please remember to RSVP to Deacon Philip or Suzanne**

### Save the date!

There will be an Advent Conversation starting 26 November and running for 3 weeks. More information soon.



**Newsletter copy deadline – Thursday midday.**  
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### KILTEGEN FATHERS APPEAL

#### THIS WEEKEND – 10 NOVEMBER

The Kiltegen Fathers, the St Patrick's Missionary Society was founded on St Patrick's Day 1932 and for more than eighty years has continued the work of spreading the Gospel. They will be making an appeal here next Sunday for the support of their missionary work. Please be as generous as you can.

### Remembrance Sunday 2019

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 who were left behind to grieve and mourn.

**Ampt Hill** – the service starts at St Andrew's Parish Church at 10.00 am and the act of



remembrance begins just before 11.00 am at Ampt Hill war memorial.

**Flitwick** – the service in Flitwick starts at the war memorial at 2.30 pm.

### ALL SOUL'S DAY 2019

Each All Soul's Day after Mass, Deacon Philip walks up to Flitwick Cemetery to pray for all who have died. This year, we decided that I would say the prayers at Ampt Hill Cemetery as well. Too far to walk for me, we drove. The weather was horrible and one brave person joined my umbrella-holder (my husband) and me to say the prayers. Just as we started, the rain stopped and the sun tried to shine. I was very moved by the prayers and reciting the names of those who have passed away this year from Sacred Heart. I hope I can do this again in 2020, with better weather and more parishioners.  
By Suzanne Yates



### Pray and Play at Sacred Heart



Sessions run once a month on Sunday afternoon, for families with children up to the age of Year 6.

Sessions start at 2.00 pm for one hour, with activities suitable for the children on the theme of the session, as well as prayers in the church.

**CHILDREN MUST BE ACCOMPANIED BY AN ADULT**

The next dates are  
17 November – Remembrance  
8 December – Advent

## INFORMATION

### CONFESSION

Confession will be at 8.30 am on Sundays and at 9.30 am on Fridays.

### 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

### CHURCH NEWSLETTER ONLINE

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

### IN HOSPITAL, SICK OR HOUSEBOUND?

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.

Everyone is welcome to come for tea and coffee after Sunday Mass.



Mothers' Prayers will next meet on **Monday 11 November** 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.



The sewing group will meet on **11 November** from 2.00 pm till 4.00 pm. Contact Clare Bevan 01525 403 589.



### CHARISMATIC PRAYER GROUP

This group will meet again on **20 November**. Please contact Nicky Paterson on 01525 750 654.

