

## PARISH CLERGY:

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## **ST. MARY OF THE ANGELS**



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## Parish Website:

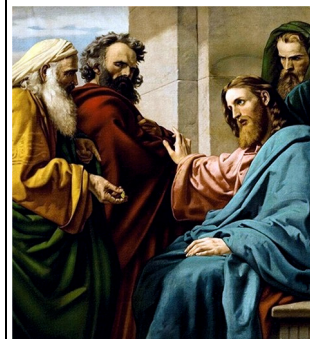
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## DATE

**Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> October  
2023**

## SUNDAY

**Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time  
Year A**

## DIVINE OFFICE

**Week 2**

**Live-stream: All of our services are now Live-streamed.**

<u>Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> October</u> 1 <sup>st</sup> Mass of Sunday	6:00pm	Albert Mercer RIP <sup>(DM)</sup>
<u>Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> October</u> <b>Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time</b>	9:30am 6:15pm	People of the Parish <b><i>Holy Hour for Vocations</i></b>
<u>Monday 30<sup>th</sup> Oct</u> Feria		No Services Today
<u>Tuesday 31<sup>st</sup> Oct</u> Feria	9:15am	Tomas Daly RIP (Birthday Ann.) <sup>(D&amp;VD)</sup>
<u>Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> Nov</u> Solemnity of All Saints <b>Holyday of Obligation</b>	9:15am 7:00pm	People of the Parish Paddy Breen RIP <sup>(KB)</sup>
<u>Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> Nov</u> All Souls' Day	6:30pm 7:00pm	<b><i>Rosary for the Unborn</i></b> Joe Borg RIP (Anniversary) <sup>(YD)</sup>
<u>Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> Nov</u> St. Martin de Porres, Religious Memorial	9:15am 6:15pm	Private Intention <b><i>Lectio Divina</i></b>
<u>Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> Nov</u> St. Charles Borromeo Bishop Memorial (1 <sup>st</sup> Mass of Sunday)	9:30am 10-11am 6:00pm	Veronica Cassidy RIP <sup>(BO'B)</sup> <i>Exposition, Confessions &amp; Benediction</i> People of the Parish
<u>Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> November</u> <b>Thirty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time</b>	9:30am 6:15pm	Int. of John & Sue Wilkinson <sup>(P&amp;JS)</sup> <b><i>Holy Hour for Vocations</i></b>

## Pope Francis

Today more than ever, our human family is wounded by so many injustices, divisions, and wars. Humanity needs the Good News of peace and salvation in Christ.

### This Week's Prayer

# CAF<sup>+</sup>D

## Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Lord God, you are my shield, my refuge, my stronghold. With you I am safe and need fear nothing. I thank you and praise you.

## Whetstone Over 50's Club

We next meet on Monday 13<sup>th</sup> November at 2pm in the Parish Meeting Room. Our speaker will be Kath Reynolds. Her talk is entitled "Tis the Season to be Jolly" a look back at some of our traditions, celebrations and favourite toys as we reminisce on our Christmas past in a light hearted way. You are welcome to join us for an enjoyable afternoon. The talk will be finished in time for those who may be collecting children from school.

## Help Needed

From anyone with a **van** to transport a **Fridge Freezer**, donated to a client of **Walsall Life**, and will be much appreciated. Please call **Ann 01922 451124** or **(07866 742569)**

## Craft & Natter

There will be no Craft & Natter next week **Tuesday 31<sup>st</sup> October**, we return as usual **7<sup>th</sup> October, 11am to 3pm** in the Meeting Room when all will again be welcome. For more information call Christine W on 07900604902 for more information.

## Mass Reader & Coffee Morning Rotas

The latest Coffee Morning (envelopes) and weekend Mass reader's rotas are now available in the porch.

## Pope's Prayer Intention

The Pope's prayer intention for **November** is:- **For the Pope**. We pray for the Holy Father, as he fulfils his mission, may he continue to accompany the flock entrusted to him, with the help of the Holy Spirit.

## Sick in the Parish

Pray for the sick in the parish, remembering especially:

**Marie Wilson, Ian Phipps, Sister Ann-Marie, Carol Facer, Oscar Wordsworth, Nichola Woodhall, Paul Corbett, Carmel Fekete, Lynn Stanley, John Green, Roy Allsopp, Janet Chambers, Jo Hawker, Alison Welton, Louise Morgan, Stephen Brook, Margaret Davis, Mary Brough, Joe Bannister, Morris Moseley, Margaret Healy, Juliet Woodhall, Luke Smith, Catherine Shepherd, Jim Smith, David Goodwin, Antonio Bigongiari, Olivia (Dotty) Cutler, Ann & Keith Allford, Anna Morgan <sup>née Meehan</sup>, Holly Brady, Mike Mander, Jo Cooke, Anne Humphreys, Theresa Chandler, Fr. Paul Chamberlain, Cath Breen, Max Lewis, David & Sheila Piggott, Clare Cooksey & Áine McDonagh.**

Please remember also in your prayers those who carry the burden of their illnesses privately and those who care for them.

## Congratulations



We offer our prayers and our congratulations to **Primrose Patricia S** who was Baptised here recently. We pray also for her parents and Godparents as they take on the responsibility of raising her in the practice of the faith.

## Safeguarding Notice

The Parish operates in accordance with Statutory Safeguarding Guidance and the National and Archdiocese policies & procedures at all times. Our Parish Safeguarding Representative is Mr. Gerry Wintrip. Gerry can be contacted at: [sg.smota.aldridge@rcaob.org.uk](mailto:sg.smota.aldridge@rcaob.org.uk) or the Diocesan Safeguarding team can be contacted at [safeguarding@rcaob.org.uk](mailto:safeguarding@rcaob.org.uk) or on 0121 230 6240 if you have any concerns.



## Children's Liturgy of the **Word**

Children's Liturgy takes place every Sunday at the 9:30am Mass. At the start of the Mass the children will be invited to go out to the Meeting Room for their Liturgy. All children are welcome to come along.

## Rosary for the Unborn



This Thursday, **2<sup>nd</sup> November** at **6:30pm**, we pray the Holy Rosary before the Blessed Sacrament for the protection of all babies in the womb, and for their families. This month's intention is: **'For all children whose lives were lost to abortion'**.

## Recently Deceased

Please pray for the repose of the souls of **Olive Whittles, Paul Mott, Michael McMahon & Neil Doherty**. On whose souls Sweet Jesus have mercy, may they rest in peace. Pray also for their families who mourn their loss at this time.

## Journey in Faith

**Mondays** at **6:30pm** in the Parish Meeting Room. This course of Adult Catechesis is open to all members of the parish who are interested in learning more about the faith, and the teachings of the Church. Coming along to these sessions not only helps us to grow in our faith, but it is also an opportunity to support those who are preparing to be received into the Church this coming Easter.

## Holyday of Obligation

This Wednesday, **1<sup>st</sup> November**, the Church celebrates the Solemnity of **All Saints**. This is a Holyday of Obligation, therefore, Masses will be celebrated at **9:15am & 7:00pm**.

## Parish Christmas Fayre

After the Sunday Morning Mass, on **26<sup>th</sup> November**, we will be holding our annual Christmas Fayre in the Parish Meeting Room. Each weekend we are ask for donations of different items to be sold in order to raise funds to support the parish. **This weekend we are asking for donation of Pre-loved Jewellery & (Toiletries)**. These can be placed in the box under the table in the porch.

## Blessing of the Graves at Oscott

The family and friends of those buried at Oscott Cemetery are warmly invited to the annual Blessing of the Graves on **Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> November** beginning at **3pm** in the main square of the cemetery. For more information please see the poster in the church porch.

## Second Collection

Next weekend **4<sup>th</sup>/5<sup>th</sup> November**, there will be a second collection for **The Johnson Association**. This important collection supports the retired and infirm clergy of the Archdiocese.

### Sacrament of the Sick

Please remember to inform Fr. Craig **directly** in case of sickness, especially if it requires hospital treatment or a prolonged absence from Mass. If you cannot inform the clergy yourself it is then your family who should take on this responsibility.

### Baptism Enquiries

If you would like to have your child Baptised here at St. Mary of the Angels, please visit the 'Baptismal Enquiry' page of the parish website using the following link: <https://www.catholicaldridge.co.uk/baptismal-enquiries.html> Here you can complete a 'Baptism Enquiry Form'. The next available dates for Baptism Preparation are:

7pm Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> November

7pm Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> January 2024

7pm Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> March

### Collections:

Last Weekends Offertory: £228.50

Weekly Standing Orders: £870.00

APF World Mission Sunday: £371.05

### **PARISH DUTIES THIS WEEKEND: 28<sup>TH</sup>/29<sup>TH</sup> OCTOBER 2023**

<b>6:00PM VIGIL MASS</b>	<b>READERS:</b>	Cathy S & John H
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<b>9:30AM SUNG MASS</b>	<b>MUSIC:</b>	Choir
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	<b>READERS:</b>	Will B & Martin B
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### **Duties During the Week: 30<sup>TH</sup> October - 4<sup>TH</sup> November 2023**

**CLEANERS:** Team B

**FLOWERS:** Helen A

### **PARISH DUTIES NEXT WEEKEND: 4<sup>TH</sup>/5<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER 2023**

<b>6:00PM VIGIL MASS</b>	<b>WELCOMERS:</b>	Mavie & Krystal B
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	<b>WARDENS:</b>	Peter H
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	<b>READERS:</b>	Hugh & Cathy S
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<b>9:30AM SUNG MASS</b>	<b>MUSIC:</b>	Folk Group
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	<b>WELCOMERS:</b>	Rod & Joan L
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	<b>WARDENS:</b>	John O'N & Elaine A
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	<b>READERS:</b>	Mark & Catherine A
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**COFFEE:** Tony M, Les & Jacqui B

**And finally:-** In Psalm 132 we read "How good and how pleasant it is when brothers live in unity". Over the past few week we have watched with horror the events unfolding in the Holy Land, a land that has not know peace since the days of our Lord Himself. This war, and the other atrocities of war taking place all over our world, reveal to us the effects of disharmony, division and hatred – the needless loss of human life. The scriptures of this weekend call upon all people to seek the good of the other, to act with justice and integrity, to "love our neighbour as ourselves". Our Lord's linking of the need to love our neighbour with the commandment to "love the Lord your God" demonstrates to us that it is impossible to love God, whom we cannot see, if we are incapable of loving the people that we can see. In these days of trouble, uncertainty, and division, let us commit ourselves to praying for peace, forgiveness, harmony and love – that the peace which Christ came to bring may be truly established on the earth, and that all peoples may live in unity.

*May God bless you all, Fr. Craig*