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THE YEAR OF ST. JOSEPH



DATE

**Sunday 26th
September 2021**

SUNDAY

**Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary
Time Year B**

DIVINE OFFICE

Week 2

Live-streamed Masses: Sunday at 9.30am, and all weekday Masses.

Saturday 25th September (1 st Mass of Sunday)	6.00pm	Kathleen Lockett RIP ^(JH)
Sunday 26th September Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time	9.30am 11.30am 4.30pm	Alice Murphy RIP ^(S&JW) Tom O'Brien RIP ^(BO'B) People of the Parish
Monday 27th Sept St. Vincent de Paul <small>Priest Memorial</small>	9.15am	Cara Mary Meehan RIP ^(B&TM)
Tuesday 28th Sept St. Wenceslaus, <small>Martyr Memorial</small>	9.15am	Francis Patton RIP (B'day Ann.) ^(The Patton Family)
Wednesday 29th Sept Ss Michael, Gabriel, and Raphael <small>Archangels Feast</small>		No Services Today
Thursday 30th Sept St. Jerome <small>Priest, Doctor of the Church Memorial</small>		No Services Today
Friday 1st October St. Theresa of the Child Jesus <small>Virgin, Doctor of the Church Memorial</small>		No Services Today
Saturday 2nd October Guardian Angels <small>Memorial</small> (1 st Mass of Sunday)	6.00pm	No Morning Mass No Confessions Francis Patton RIP ^(CM)
Sunday 3rd October Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time	9.30am 11.30am	Denis Healy RIP ^(SVP) David Easthope RIP ^(JE)

Pope Francis:

Saints are witnesses whom we venerate and who in thousands of different ways bring us to Jesus Christ, the only Mediator between God and humanity. They remind us that holiness can blossom even in our lives, however weak and marked by sin we may be.

Data Protection – Live-streaming

Sunday 9.30am Mass, and all weekday Masses, will continue to be live-streamed. The camera is situated at the front of the church so that only the Sanctuary is visible. If, however, you are sitting on the left side of the church you will become visible, in a way in which you might be recognisable, for a brief moment as you return from receiving Holy Communion. If you do not wish to appear on the live-stream please ensure that you are seated on the right of the church.

Annual Thanksgiving Mass

The annual diocesan Thanksgiving Mass for Marriage will take place on Sunday 9th October, 12noon at St. Chad's Cathedral. If you are celebrating a milestone anniversary during 2021 (from your 1st up to 60th (every 5 years) and every year over 60) please email Lianne Pap at:

marriage.mass@rcaob.org.uk for your names to be listed in the Mass booklet. You can also send in 'then and now' photos to be part of the video compilation.

We are looking to find the longest married couple in the diocese, so if you think you are, or your parents or grandparents could be, then let Lianne know.

The Mass is open to all married couples, as well as those preparing to marry in 2021 but you will need to register a place via the above email address. Closing date to register for the Mass is 1st October.

Pope's Prayer Intention

The Pope's prayer intention for the month of September is:- **An Environmentally Sustainable Lifestyle**. We pray that we all will make courageous choices for a simple and environmentally sustainable lifestyle, rejoicing in our young people who are resolutely committed to this.

Sick in the Parish

Please pray for all the sick in the parish, that God will bless and comfort them. Please remember especially:

Joe Bannister, Morris Moseley, Laoiseach Nolan, Max Miotk, Margaret & Leo Jones, Margaret Healy, John Wynne, Maura McGarry, Juliet Woodhall, Pat Hopley, Luke Smith, Catherine Shepherd, Keiron Sanders, Jim Smith, David Goodwin, Nancy Levell, Antonio Bigongiari, Olivia (Dotty) Cutler, Ann & Keith Allford, Deacon John Higgins, Joan Hart, Emma Jones, Anna Morgan ^{née Meehan}, Margaret Cooper, Holly Brady, Mike Mander, Jo Cooke, Anne Humphreys, Pat Gray, Paul Mott, Theresa Chandler, Fr. Paul Chamberlain, Cath & Paddy Breen, Max Lewis, Marguerite Baxendale, David Piggott, Clare Cooksey & Áine McDonagh.

We pray also for those who are suffering as a result of COVID-19, and for all who carry the burden of their illness privately at this time.

50-50 Club

The Parish 50/50 Club draw takes place every 4th Sunday of the month and cost £5 per number with a chance of winning one of the four cash prizes, the 1st prize being £150. Half of the money raised goes to supporting the parish. To enter you simply need to complete a Standing Order Form for the monthly £5 subscription.

If you are interested in joining in with our monthly Parish 50/50 Draw please speak to either Fr. Craig or Sue W.



Catholic Agency for Overseas Development

Live Simply Prayer – Week 44

(Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time)

Lord, we have taken the path of self-will and disobedience. In your mercy forgive us and bring us back to you.

Family Fast Day

This year Family Fast Day will be on **Friday 1st October** and a collection will be taken at Masses on **2nd/3rd October**. Please do your best to support this important endeavour.

Craft and Natter

Have you missed going out and socialising this last 18 months? Then come and meet the 'craft and natterers' on Tuesdays – tea, coffee, and squash on tap (make your own). Come for the morning, the afternoon, or bring your lunch and stay for the whole session, 50p per session covers all you can drink and certain supplies for you to make your crafts. Come and tell us what you did in lockdown, what books or TV you were interested in, what you are looking forward to. If you are a crafter we have ideas for things to make. What are you waiting for, come along on a Tuesday, 11am until 3pm, in the meeting room at church. There will be hand sanitiser at the door, no need for masks, social distancing seating. For more information call Christine W on 07900 604902

Fairtrade Stall

On **Sunday 3rd October** the Fairtrade stall will be resuming after the 9.30am Mass. There will be a small selection of lower priced Christmas cards on sale as well as the usual items. Thank you for your support.

The Kerrigan Family

On behalf of Sheila, the Kerrigan Family would like to thank friends and parishioners for their good wishes, prayers and Masses. Mom is being well looked after and cared for at Fotherley Hall (Room 21).

Congratulations



We offer our prayers and our congratulations to **Riain George W** who was baptised here at St. Mary of the Angels last weekend. We pray also for his parents and Godparents as they take on the responsibility of raising Riain in the practice of the Faith.

Kenelm Youth Trust

As we emerge from the pandemic and increase our school and programme numbers the Kenelm Youth Trust are seeking to recruit enthusiastic and capable retreat leaders and operational staff:

Alton Castle Trainee Programme Leader, Alton Castle Programme Leader, Catering Assistant & Housekeeping Assistant.

All information for these roles can be found on our website:

<https://www.kenelmyouthtrust.org.uk/work4kyt.html>

Retiring Collection

This weekend, **25th/26 September** there will be a retiring collection for the **Father Hudson's Society**. This is our annual collection to support the work of this important Diocese Society who care for the vulnerable of all ages in times of adversity.

Next weekend, **2nd/3rd October** there will be a retiring collection for the **CAFOD Family Fast Day**.

Adult Catechesis

We have now begun our programme of Adult Catechesis for those who are preparing to be received into Full Communion with the Catholic Church at Easter. If you are already a Catholic and are interested in learning more about the faith you are most welcome to come along on Friday evenings at 6.30pm and join us for these sessions in the Parish Meeting Room.

Praying for the Unborn



Today we celebrate International Daughters Day. We bring to mind all daughters currently developing in the womb. That they would be loved and protected at all costs, and that they would all be given the opportunity to experience life outside the womb. Amen.

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 26th October

7pm Tuesday 7th December

7pm Tuesday 15th February 2022

7pm Tuesday 27th April

7pm Tuesday 28th June

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.

And finally:- This weekend we celebrate the final Sunday 4.30pm Mass as we continue our steady journey back towards normality. If I am honest I would have to say that I am going to miss it. At the end of a busy Sunday this Mass has always felt peaceful and prayerful, a kind of calm and serene end to a busy weekend. It is, however, time for us to come back together as a community for the celebration of the Lord's Day, rather than being a community torn apart out of necessity for the good of others. As with the final few days of work before an annual vacation, it is only when the end is in sight that you begin to feel just how tired you truly are; that you begin to feel the effects, on your own wellbeing, of the previous weeks and months of exertion. The past 18 months has not been easy for any of us! Despite it all, however, we have pulled together as a community in a wonderful demonstration of loving care and concern for each other. From the very beginning of the pandemic people offered their time and talents in the service of the parish, and for that I am deeply grateful. I have also been humbled by the care and support that you have given to me, your Parish Priest, throughout the difficult months of lockdown and beyond. This past 18 months has given us the opportunity to reflect upon the importance of faith, family and the community of which we are a part. I pray that as we move forward towards normality we may continue to grow, building upon what we have learnt.

May God bless and protect you all. Fr. Craig