ST WULSTAN'S PARISH NEWSLETTER 7th Oct/8th Oct 2023

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27th Week in Ordinary Time, Yr A/1

Saturday – 7th October – Our Lady of the Rosary (memoria)

10.00-1050am - Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament with Confessions

11.00am – Holy Mass Ints: For family unity

Saturday – 7th October – TWENTY- SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME, Yr A

5.00pm – Holy Mass (Evening Mass of Sunday) Ints: Special Intention (Sue Adey)

Sunday – 8th October – TWENTY- SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME, Yr A (Prisons Week)

10.30am - Holy Mass Ints: Pro populo

Monday - 9th October - Feast of St John Henry Newman, Priest

10.00am – Holy Mass Ints: For Vocations to the Priesthood and Religious, (Birmingham)

Tuesday – 10th October – No Mass

Wednesday - 11th October - No Mass

Thursday - 12th October - Feria

10.00am – Holy Mass Ints: Special Intention (Sue Adey)

Friday - 13th October - St Edward the Confessor (memoria)

10.00am - Holy Mass Ints: For the Holy Souls

(Please note: No evening Mass today)

Saturday – 14th October – St Callitus I, Pope, martyr (memoria)

10.00-1050am – Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament with Confessions

11.00am - Holy Mass Ints: For the sick and housebound of the parish

Saturday - 14th October - TWENTY- EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME, Yr A

5.00pm – Holy Mass (Vigil Mass of Sunday) Ints: Special Intention, Lobo family (J Lobo)

Sunday – 15th October – TWENTY- EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME, Yr A

10.30am - Holy Mass Ints: Pro populo

PRAYING FOR OUR SICK AND LOVED ONES

We pray for the repose of the souls of Pat Higgins...*May her soul and all the souls of the faithful departed...rest in peace.*

Please pray for all the sick including John Bilsborough, Andy Cooper, John Crowe, Rosemarie Kay, Peter Onions, Mike Harriss, Raymond Turner, Lea Maloney, Fr Christopher Calascione, and all who are unwell or housebound.

THE POPE'S PRAYER INTENTION FOR OCTOBER

For the Synod

We pray for those for the Church, that she may adopt listening and dialogue as a lifestyle at every level and allow herself to be guided by the Holy Spirit towards the peripheries of the world.

CAFOD's FAMILY FAST DAY

Friday, 6th October is Family Fast Day...Join together with your parish, friends and family so that families around the world can have access to the medical care they need to survive in increasingly challenging circumstances. By sharing a simple meal and giving what you save, you'll be standing in solidarity with vulnerable people who are threatened by disease and poverty, displaced from their homes and communities by the climate crisis. CAFOD gift envelopes are available at the back of the church. Please give generously.

SYNOD: '...to bring his Good News to all peoples'

The Holy Father has asked Catholics to join in prayer during this time of Synod to pray for a Spirit of discernment and wisdom for those attending, so that the whole Church may know the power of the Holy Spirit at work in these days. I hope that you will join in prayer from your homes and parish communities, so that the **Synod** may restore faith and prayerful trust in the Lord.

OCTOBER - MONTH OF THE HOLY ROSARY

As it's the month of the Rosary, the Holy Rosary will be recited each weekday after the morning Mass (Monday, 9th October) and prior to the commencement of Mass on Friday evenings (5.15pm, Mass at 6pm) and during Holy hour on Saturday mornings commencing 10.00am. Our Blessed Mother encourages us to pray the Rosary at this precious time as a powerful tool in the fight against evil. Also to pray especially for peace in our world, for the Church and for unity in the family.

2ND COLLECTION - SATURDAY 7th/SUNDAY 8th FOR CAFOD (FAMILY FAST DAY)

On 7th-8th October the second collection will be for **CAFOD** to help support the most vulnerable and poverty stricken people in the developing world who lack food, medicines and even basic sanitation facilities. Please give generously to the most needy; God will reward you. CAFOD gift envelopes are available at the back of the church.

CAFOD HARVEST DAY COLLECTION

Harvest Day collection will take place on 7th and 8th October. Family Fast Day is Friday 6th October. Please visit CAFOD Harvest link at : <u>https://cafod.org.uk/</u>

Click on link to see the short video that tells us about Meera's story

Please read short talk that I would have given after Masses last week if I had not been on holidays attached to the newsletter.

2ND COLLECTION - SATURDAY 21st/SUNDAY 22th FOR APF (World Mission Sunday)

The need to stand alongside our missionaries in prayer and solidarity has never been so urgent and necessary. In many areas of the world, they will be the first to respond to the physical and spiritual needs of our sisters and brothers who are suffering. The APF in England and Wales works with the Mill Hill Missionary Society. Mill Hill missionaries go to the most remote places in the world to show the love of Christ to those in need, both spiritually and materially. Your donation will go far.

PRAYER FOR PEACE

Heavenly Father, hear our prayers especially for the people of Ukraine and Sudan. Lord we ask for peace for those who need peace, reconciliation for those who need reconciliation and comfort for all who don't know what tomorrow will bring. We ask this through Jesus Christ, Our Lord, **Amen.**

MASS INTENTIONS

Do you have a birthday you would like to celebrate for a friend? Sympathy for the loss of a loved one? You can have a Mass said and offered for a person on these special occasions or for any other special intention. Grab a Mass Intention envelope and enter the name and date of the Mass required. Envelopes are available at the rear of the church. You can call or email the parish office at the Priest's House. This is a beautiful and special way to pay tribute to loved ones.

"MONASTERY DAYS" ORGANISED ACROSS THE UK

YouCAN, a religious group for practicing young Catholic adults, have been working closely with a number of monasteries in the UK to organise "Monastery Days".

This is an unique opportunity for young Catholics aged 18 to 45 to spend the day at several monasteries across England and Scotland, to pray together, bible study with a monk or nun, attend Mass and enjoy time together socially. Ampleforth Abbey will be hosting their "Monastery Day" on **Saturday, 21st October.** To join YouCAN, attend "Monastery Days" and other YouCAN events and pilgrimages, contact: rina@youngcatholicadultnetwork.uk

COME AND SING EVENT



PARISH BOOK EXCHANGE

A book exchange has been started in the parish room (there was an empty bookshelf waiting to be used). Anyone is welcome to donate books they think might interest other parishioners. If you borrow a book, please return it when you have finished with it. The parish room is open every first and third Sunday after Mass for coffee (check the newsletter)

FOR NEWS AND EVENTS FROM THE ARCHDIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM

See Archdiocese of Birmingham: <u>https://www.birminghamdiocese.org.uk</u> Email: birminghamdiocese.org.uk ...

Online Academic Forum Registering Now: Dr Robert McNamara, on *St Edith Stein: Doctor of the Church?* Wednesday 18th October 2023, 6.00pm (London time). Check out our website to attend see **www.maryvale.ac.uk** All <u>Free to Attend.</u>

THE DIOCESAN VISION: Unfolding God's Plan

Our Diocesan Vision is the Archbishop's dream for every parish in the Archdiocese of Birmingham, and he invites us to be a part of it. The plans that we make as deaneries and parishes should be united to that vision, so that they will help us to make that future a reality. 6 Sessions are planned to help parishes respond to the Archbishop's Invitation to unfold God's plan. Paul at the Office for Mission can help you with further information & support: paul.northam@rcaob.org.ukST WULSTAN'S - DONATION BY CARD

If you would like to make a donation to St Wulstan's church by card, please ask a member of the Welcome Team to activate the Card reader and proceed from there. It is really quite simple once you get the hang of it. It is in giving that we receive God's abundant blessings. Thank you

A JOURNEY THROUGH ADVENT

On the four Tuesday evenings during Advent, starting on **28th November**, everyone in St Wulstan's is warmly invited to get together to share some refreshments and to grow together as a community of faith. We will meet at 7pm in the parish room to watch and discuss the excellent "Catholicism" series by Bishop Robert Barron. This will be one way that we can respond, as a parish, to Pope Francis' call for us to be a synodal church. Keep the dates free in your diaries!

APF RED BOXES

Reminder from Mary Wilson that it is time to bring your red Missio box into church to be emptied. If you can leave it at the back of the church or give it to her on a Sunday it would be greatly appreciated. If you would like a box to start contributing to Missio then please speak to Mary. Missio is proud to be the Pope's charity for world mission Missio ignites God's love by helping local missionaries to work alongside global communities that are poor or in need, regardless of their background or belief.

Sometimes this need might be very specific: a motorbike for a Priest to celebrate Mass in remote villages; a simple community hall so people can gather together; vaccinations to protect vulnerable children. Whatever our missionaries need to help them share the joy of the Gospel, Missio strives to provide it.

BOOKING OF PARISH MEETING ROOM

It is indeed encouraging to see our Parish Hall being kept busy with the recent activities and forthcoming Film sessions. I would like to see it's continued use but to keep everything in order with maintenance, cleaning, other bookings and to comply with insurances and health & safety requirements, it will be necessary in future to make formal booking arrangements.

Mary Pillon has volunteered to record these, so please contact her to make any reservations required on 01684 576213, 07960732491 or <u>marypillon121@btinternet.com</u>. Your co-operation is greatly appreciated. Fr Patrick