ST WULSTAN'S PARISH NEWSLETTER 21st Oct/22nd Oct 2023

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29th Week in Ordinary Time, Yr A/1

Saturday – 21st October – The Blessed Virgin Mary (Saturday memoria)

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

11.00am - Holy Mass

Ints: For the sick and housebound of the parish

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5.00pm – Holy Mass (Evening Mass of Sunday)

Ints: For vocations to the Priesthood and Religious

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10.30am – Holy Mass

Ints: Pro populo

Monday – 23rd October – No Mass

Tuesday – 24th October – No Mass

Wednesday - 25th October - No Mass

Thursday - 26th October - No Mass

Friday - 27th October – Feria

5.15 – 5.50pm - Holy Rosary with Intercessions

6.00pm - Holy Mass

Ints: For the Holy Souls

Saturday – 28th October – Feast of Ss Simon & Jude, Apostles

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PRAYING FOR OUR SICK AND LOVED ONES

We pray for the repose of all those who have died, especially those of our parish and those closest to us...*May their souls and all the souls of the faithful departed...rest in peace*.

Please also 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.

FR PATRICK AWAY NEXT WEEK

I shall be away from the parish for the following days: Monday, 23rd - Thursday, 26th next week, attending the annual Monastic Retreat with the Belmont Community. There will be no weekday Masses from Monday, 23rd Oct - Thursday, 26th Oct. However, the evening Mass on Friday, 27th October remains unchanged. If there is an emergency please contact **Fr Naz** at **St Joseph's RC church, Malvern.**

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, 16th 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 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 21st/SUNDAY 22nd 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.

2ND COLLECTION - SATURDAY 4th NOV/SUNDAY 5th NOV: FOR THE JOHNSON ASSOCIATION

The Johnson Association known as The Johnson Fund or The Secular Clergy Association of the Archdiocese of Birmingham was originally founded in 1710. It provides for the needs of the clergy in retirement, sickness and old age. Please give generously.

SUNDAY COFFEE AND BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION

Sunday 22 October 2023 is the 80th birthday of a long standing active member of the Parish. Guess who? To celebrate there will be an extra "Coffee and Cakes" (and a glass of sherry!) after the Sunday Morning Mass in the Parish Room. All free – no contributions to the kitty needed. Please come and join the joyous occasion!

EUCARISTIC MINISTRY TRAINING DAY

Training for Eucharistic Ministers will take place on Saturday 2nd December. Fr. Patrick has asked that all Extra-ordinary ministers of Holy Communion (Eucharistic Ministers) come for the Adoration of The Blessed Sacrament followed by Mass. The instruction will follow the Mass and will last approximately one hour. If anyone is unable to attend then please let Fr. Patrick know.

PRAYER FOR PEACE

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

Prayers for peace in Gaza and Israel Lord God of compassion, whose will is for peace built on righteousness, we pray for peace in Gaza & Israel: for an end to hostilities, for comfort and help for all who suffer, and for reconciliation between Palestine and Israel, through Jesus Christ, the Prince of Peace. men.

DAY OF PRAYER AND FASTING FOR PEACE

Pope Francis has called for a day of prayer and fasting on October 27th for peace in the Middle East. He said when announcing the day 'that war cancels the future and breeds hatred and revenge'. He further said to both sides in the conflict 'Cast weapons aside, listen to the voice of the poor, the people and children.'

"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

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.

HEALTH AND SAFETY

Now the darker days are fast approaching, it would be very useful to have a handrail alongside the main road where we park, to prevent anyone falling down the hillside. To this end if we could all write to

Malcolm Victory, Councillor, c/o County Hall Spetchley Road Worcester WR5 2NP Pleading for this to be done, then just maybe? There are no street lights along this stretch of road making a rail even more necessary. Thank you on behalf of the PAC

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

Link to see what is going on in the archdiocese: https://www.birminghamdiocese.org.uk

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.uk

ST 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

ADVENT CAROLS BY CANDLELIGHT

This will be on Friday 15th December at 7pm. It will be followed by mulled wine and mince pies. Bring your families, friends and neighbours. Everyone is welcome.

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!

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 appreciated. Fr Patrick

CHRISTMAS CARDS 2023

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