

ST WULSTAN'S PARISH NEWSLETTER 27th July/28th July 2024

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Saint Wulstan's church is served by the monks of Belmont Abbey

SEVENTEENTH WEEK IN ORDINARY TIME, Yr. B/II

First Reading: 2 Kings 4:42-44

They will eat, and have some left over.

Psalm: 144(145):10-11,15-18

R./: You open wide your hand, O Lord, and grant our desires.

Second Reading: Ephesians 4:1-6

One Body, one Spirit, one Lord, one faith, one baptism, one God.

Gospel: John 6:1-15

The feeding of the five thousand.

Saturday – 27th July 24 – Blessed Virgin Mary (Saturday memoria)

10.00 - 10.50am – Eucharistic Adoration & Benediction (*with Confessions*)

11.00am - Holy Mass Ints: For an end to conflict in Sudan & S Sudan.7 (*J Seeley*)

Saturday – 27th July 24 – SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME, YR B

5.00pm – Holy Mass (*Evening Mass of Sunday*) Ints: Special Intention.2 (*Bernadette Eakin*)

Sunday – 28th July 24 – SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME, YR B

(*World Day for Grandparents & the Elderly*)

10.30am – Solemn Holy Mass Ints: Pamela Denise Soper R.I.P (*Patricia Soper*)

Monday - 29th July 24 – Sts Martha, Mary & Lazarus (memoria)

10.00am – Holy Mass Ints: *Pro Populo*

Tuesday – 30th July 24 – Feria

10.00am – Holy Mass Ints: Intentions of the Lobo family (*Jacinta*)

Wednesday – 31st July 24 – St Ignatius of Loyola, Priest & Religious (memoria)

(*No Morning Mass*)

Thursday - 1st August 24 – St Alphonsus Di Liguori, Bishop & Doctor (memoria)

10.00am – Holy Mass Ints: For Vocations to the Priesthood & Religious life

Friday - 2nd August 24 – Feria

5.20 – 5.50 pm - Holy Rosary with Prayers of Intercession

6.00pm - Holy Mass Ints: For an end to conflict in Sudan & S Sudan.8 (*J Seeley*)

Saturday – 3rd August 24 – Blessed Virgin Mary (Saturday memoria)

10.00 - 10.50am – Eucharistic Adoration & Benediction (*with Confessions*)

11.00am - Holy Mass Ints: Barbara Heitzman R.I.P (*lately died*)

Saturday – 3rd August 24 – EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME, YR B

5.00pm – Holy Mass (*Evening Mass of the Sunday*) Ints: For an end to conflict in Sudan & S Sudan.

Sunday – 4th August 24 – EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME, YR B

10.30am – Solemn Holy Mass Ints: *Pro Populo*

WORLD DAY FOR GRANDPARENTS AND THE ELDERLY, SUNDAY, 28 JULY

When relationships and families are strong, we feel secure, but when they fail we observe very different kinds of fruit: resentment, jealousy, suspicion and unforgiveness.

The theme for this year's Day for Grandparents & the Elderly on Sunday 28 July is: "*Do not cast me off in my old age*" (cf. Psalm 71:9). The bad fruits just mentioned are symptoms of the greatest human tragedy: estrangement from God. For all the fruits of this estrangement, the Good News is that there is nothing that can separate us from the love of God! (Romans 8:39) We remain precious to Him, and we remain useful to Him, at whatever stage of life. As St John Henry Newman wrote: "*I can never be thrown away!*" During this day for grandparents and the elderly, perhaps we can ask God to show us – through our elders in the faith – the indispensable role he has for each person to play in the Body of Christ.

PRAYING FOR OUR DEARLY DEPARTED LOVED ONES AND ALSO THE SICK

We pray for the repose of the souls of all our relatives and friends who have died recently especially **Barbara Heitzman** & of our parish, **Raymond Turner** a longstanding member of St Wulstan's...*May their souls and all the souls of the faithful departed rest in peace.* Amen.

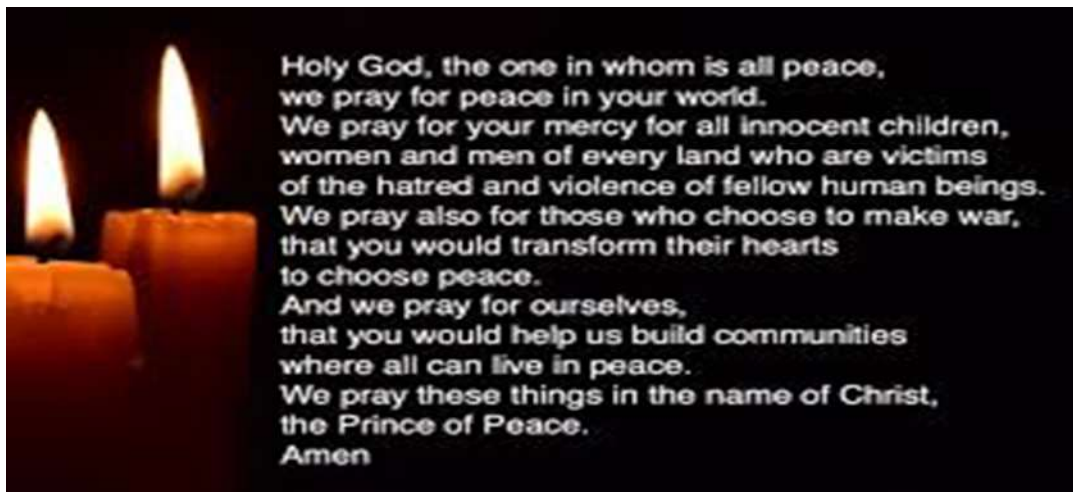
Please pray also: for all the sick including John Bilsborough, John Crowe, Rosemarie Kay, Peter Onions, Mike Harriss, Lea Maloney, Bill Finch, Fr Christopher Calascione, and all who are unwell or housebound.

POPE FRANCIS' PRAYER INTENTION FOR JULY

For the pastoral care of the sick

We pray that the sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick confer on those who receive it and their loved ones the power of the Lord and become ever more a visible sign of compassion and hope for all.

PRAYER FOR WORLD PEACE



POPE FRANCIS' PRAYER INTENTION FOR AUGUST

For Political Leaders

We pray that political leaders be at the service of their own people, working for integral human development and for the common good, especially caring for the poor and those who have lost their jobs.

FAREWELL

Sadly Fr. Patrick is leaving St Wulstan's after just over three and a half years as our Parish Priest. His last Sunday Mass will be on 11th August. We wish him the very best in his new parish of Our Lady Queen of Martyrs in Hereford, and thank him sincerely for all his efforts in supporting us on our spiritual journey. 'Bye Fr. Patrick and all the very best in your new role.' As the saying goes: 'One person's loss is another person's gain'.

SPECIAL THANKS

A very sincere thank you for the wonderful support the parish has given in fund raising for my son Mark. Our thanks to June and Bill Stallard for combining further fund raising with yet another wonderful annual parish do. You have all been very generous and supportive and it has raised some £948 to date including the lovely party Helen & Mike Coleman gave in fund raising recently and previous plant sales.

Thank you all so very, very much.

Mary Pillon

PILGRIMAGE TO ASSISI MAY 2025

A small group of parishioners from St Wulstan's is planning to visit Assisi from 25th May-31st May next year.

If you'd be interested in finding out more information email carvercharlotte400@gmail.com or bernetteekin@gmail.com or call 01684 592179 or 01531 635623.

ON RETREAT WITH POPE FRANCIS

You are each invited to join our fellow Catholics in the Malvern area for a series of fortnightly Saturday lunchtime sessions, following the recently published "First Belong to God", based on Pope Francis' Ignatian retreats and written by Dr Austen Ivereigh. The first session will take place on Saturday 21st September at 12 noon in the St Wulstan's parish room. Copies of the book will be for sale after Mass this week and next. This will be a wonderful opportunity to grow together in our faith and to share some time of fellowship with one another. Everyone is welcome.

APPEAL FOR NEW PARISH MASS BOOKS FOR ST WULSTAN'S

As a result of the forthcoming changes to the Lectionary, we will need to purchase and replace the Parish Mass Books (PMB) in current use with the New Translation PMBs which will retail at £5.95/book. These will be into two parts covering the whole of Liturgical Year C. Any small donations to cover costs will be gratefully received. Also it would be an added bonus if you could Gift-aid your donation. I wish to thank all our benefactors who have donated so generously for the purchase of the New Lectionaries. I will be placing our order in the coming week. God reward you all. The new Lectionaries will be despatched in October, 2024 for the start of new Liturgical year at the beginning of Advent....Many thanks & blessings, Fr Patrick

MASS INTENTIONS

Would you like to have a birthday or special occasion celebrated for a friend or family member? Sympathy for the loss of a cherished person? You can have a Mass said 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 our loved ones. There is no greater gift we can offer than the Sacrifice of the Holy Mass.

CHURCHES TOGETHER IN MALVERN

ST. MATTHIAS CHURCH MALVERN LINK

Sundays in July and August at 5pm: The screening an episode of **THE CHOSEN** which is a dramatised depiction of the Gospel story which has been enriching the Church's understanding of the person of Christ. All welcome

SATURDAY 3RD AUGUST, 10.30AM -11.00AM IN GREAT MALVERN PRIORY CHURCHYARD

A Vigil to remember both the nuclear devastation of Hiroshima and Nagasaki and also all conflicts in the world today, organised by Malvern Churches Justice & Peace Group.

MASS VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

We are in desperately in need of more volunteers for the Stewarding and Eucharistic rota for Sunday Mass. This involves handing out the books for the Mass, arranging one or two other volunteers to take the up the collection and the gifts to the altar. We are also seeking volunteer Extra-ordinary ministers of Holy Communion to assist with the distribution of Our Lord's precious blood i.e. the Chalice.

Volunteering in the church benefits members of the congregation and the Church. Please see Mary Wilson or Father Patrick or ask the steward on duty if you are interested in volunteering. Your support and contribution will be greatly appreciated.

ST WULSTAN'S - DONATING 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. Your generosity in time and resources builds up the body of Christ in the abundant blessings received.

Thank you, Fr Patrick

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