

ROMAN CATHOLIC ARCHDIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM

ST.WULSTAN'S LITTLE MALVERN

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Today is SAFEGUARDING SUNDAY

THE ARCHDIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM HAS A ZERO-TOLERANCE APPROACH TO ALL ABUSE

HOLY MASS THIS WEEK

SATURDAY 16th NOV. Vigil Mass 5pm Holy Souls/Pro Popolo (Confessions before Mass at request)

SUNDAY 17th NOV. 10.30am Holy Souls & ints.Mark Pillon

MONDAY 18th NOV. 10am Holy Souls & McLellan (Dedication Bailicas Sts.Peter&Paul)

TUESDAY 19th NOV. 10am Holy Souls

WEDNESDAY 20th NOV. 10am Holy Souls

THURSDAY 21st NOV.10am Holy Souls & EBC (Benedictine Dies Memorabilis)

FRIDAY 22nd NOV.6pm Holy Souls & Choir (St.Cecilia) ROSARY 5.30pm

SATURDAY 23rd NOV. Vigil Mass 5pm Holy Souls (Confessions before Mass at request)

Next Sunday is the Solemnity of Christ the King. Mass 10.30am H.Souls & Mark.Pillon

Readings for Sunday Mass

First Reading: Daniel 12:1-3

Some will wake to everlasting life, some to shame and disgrace.

Psalm: 15(16):5,8-11

R./: Preserve me, God, I take refuge in you.

Second Reading: Hebrews 10:11-14,18

When all sins have been forgiven, there can be no more sin-offerings.

Gospel: Mark 13:24-32

The stars will fall from heaven and the powers in the heavens will be shaken.

TODAY (17th Nov.2024) IS SAFEGUARDING SUNDAY

A message from Archbishop Bernard Longley:

One of the scribes asked Jesus “Which is the first of all the commandments?” Jesus replied, “This is the first: You must love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your mind and with all your strength. The second is this: You must love your neighbour as yourself. There is no commandment greater than these.” (cf Mark 12: 28-31).

We are all called to serve our Lord. To love him, to carry out His mission. This includes the responsibility of keeping people safe from harm and abuse. Here in the Archdiocese of Birmingham I lead that charge. Together with those who support me, and the Trustees of the Archdiocese, we are committed to making a positive difference in the parishes and communities we serve.

I accept and acknowledge past failings and am deeply sorry for the suffering that has been experienced by victim/survivors and their families. Abuse has no place in society, least of all in the life of the Church. Whilst accepting past failings, and learning from them, the Archdiocese is moving forward and we are committed to being a welcoming and safe Church for all. We think particularly of how we support survivors and those who have been harmed by the Church and work with many of them to improve standards further.

Thanks to a dedicated and professional safeguarding team, the Archdiocese has made significant progress in recent years to improve its commitment to safeguarding, and this work continues. We listen, and learn from, victim/survivors. We turn words into action.

Our Clergy and Parish Safeguarding Representatives are testament to the work being carried out locally, on the ground. Please support your parish representative as they raise awareness and understanding of this vital work in the parish community.

Safeguarding is everyone’s responsibility, not just that of the few. We all need to play our part and keep people safe.

“Let us love, not in word or speech, but in truth and action” 1 John 3:18

The Archdiocese of Birmingham has a zero-tolerance approach to all abuse.

PRAYING FOR OUR DEARLY DEPARTED LOVED ONES AND ALSO THE SICK

We pray for the repose of the soul of Ida Hodges,R.I.P, Mike Harriss, R.I.P. and Peter Onions R.I.P. who died recently. 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, Lea Maloney, and Bill Finch, and all who are unwell or housebound.

SAFEGUARDING we must be ever vigilant in our care of children and the vulnerable of all ages. Our Safeguarding Rep TIM NAYLOR will have updates for us in the next week or two. Be helpful and co-operative. There are some basic rules we need to bear in mind always. God bless the Safeguarding Service of our Archdiocese and Parishes.

ADVENT The Malvern Parishes will offer a reflection on THE ANGELUS on Tuesday evenings of Advent--- and here at St.Wulstan’s on 17th Dec.

POSADA an opportunity for Advent preparation: here at St.Wulstan’s every Advent Sunday afternoon 3pm. The Posada is a short Service of prayers/hymns when we trace the footsteps of Our Lady & St.Joseph from Nazareth to Bethlehem.

HOLY SOULS don't forget to pray daily especially during this month of November. We remember our loved ones... but also the forgotten, and those with no-one to pray for them. RIP

CATENIAN REQUIEM transferred to 11am Thursday 28th Nov.

LOOKING AHEAD: no Mass at St.Wulstan's on Weds.27th Nov.

CHRISTMAS CARDS Charlotte Carver has a selection of cards available today.

ADVENT BOOKLETS with a daily thought for Advent (starts 1st Dec.!) £1 per copy.

POSADA every Sunday afternoon of Advent at 3pm a reflection to prepare for Christmas: this is prompted by Our Lady & St.Joseph's journey from Nazareth to Bethlehem. COME !

SPREAD THE WORD !: make sure family and friends ,esp.children, know that CHRISTMAS is more than Santa & Robins & Snowmen ! We celebrate the Birth of our Saviour ! JESUS IS THE REASON FOR THE SEASON ! Venite Adoremus ! Come, let us adore !

ADVENT BEGINS on Sunday 1st December. Readings of Cycle C. The new translation of the Lectionary comes into use: texts will be provided for you every Sunday. Advent booklets will be available from next Sunday £1, a handy resource with daily reflection.

MONTH OF THE HOLY SOULS fill in your 'Dead List' of all to be remembered at Daily Mass during November. Place your list and stipend inside the special envelopes & give to Father or a Steward. Never leave money lying around!

SUNDAY COFFEE

There will be coffee after Mass this Sunday.

POPE FRANCIS' PRAYER INTENTION FOR NOVEMBER

In his prayer intention for November, Pope Francis prays that all parents who mourn the loss of a son or daughter might find consolation in their community, and may receive peace of heart from the Spirit of Consolation.



ADVENT PARISH MAGAZINE:

Advent will soon be with us. Please send magazine contributions to michaelseales@hotmail.com by 17th November. They should be word documents font size 12.

DIARY DATES our Penitential Services during Advent will be as follows: Sunday 8th Dec., at St.Joseph's, 5pm; and then Sunday 15th Dec., at Our Lady's Blackmore Pk.,4pm (the LENT Service will be at St.Wulstan's).

THE NATIVITY Christmas Eve: Carols from 7.30pm, Christmas Mass 8pm, followed by drinks & nibbles in the Parish Room.

CAFOD World Gifts for Christmas

This Christmas, give your loved ones something exceptional and life changing. Buying CAFOD's virtual World Gifts makes a real difference for our sisters and brothers facing the injustice of poverty around the world. Choose from a range of beautifully illustrated cards, each representing a gift of hope, inspired by real people and real needs. Cards can be sent by post, as an eCard, or printed at home. Purchase World Gifts and other gifts such as Advent calendars and jute bags at worldgifts.cafod.org.uk or pick up a catalogue in church.

LOURDES 2025

Every year, hundreds of pilgrims from across the Archdiocese of Birmingham, join together for the Lourdes Pilgrimage. 2025 is the Year of Jubilee and Archbishop Bernard invites you to come with us on this very special occasion in the life of the Archdiocese: "It's a great experience to be together with upwards of 700 fellow pilgrims." The pilgrimage dates have been announced: Saturday 24th May to Friday 30th May 2025. You can now express your interest in a place or get more information by visiting: <http://www.birminghamdiocese.org.uk/lourdes>

SHARE THE TRUE STORY Nativity Christmas Cards, pack of TEN for just £1 are available at the back of Church. NEXT SUNDAY Charlotte will have her special cards available too.

NEW TRANSLATION the new Lectionary for Mass comes into operation on the 1st Sunday of Advent. Many thanks to the donors of the Gospel Book and Lectionaries. A special sheet with the Scripture Readings will be provided every Sunday thereafter.

The Holy Souls... will be remembered at daily Mass throughout November. Please take a 'Dead List' to name your Faithful Departed and return with your stipend in the envelopes provided.

CHRISTMAS CARDS yes, it's that time of year! Postage increases to £1.65 and cards aren't cheap. Make use of our 'in house' system: address cards to other parishioners and these can be collected here at Church. If you send cards, make sure you are a missionary: tell the story of Our Lord's birth, not something about a snowman, Santa, or a robin !!! Fr.Thomas has made some CHRISTIAN CARDS available--- just £1 for a pack of TEN !!!

AID TO THE CHURCH IN NEED

Cardinal Vincent Nichols has recorded a statement calling on people to get involved in a Catholic charity's initiative supporting persecuted and other suffering Christians on November 20.

Cardinal Nichols, the Archbishop of Westminster and president of the Bishops' Conference of England and Wales, endorsed the #Red Wednesday campaign of Aid to the Church in Need (ACN) in a [video message](#). He invited parishes and individuals to participate in activities to raise awareness of, and pray for, the suffering Church.

https://youtu.be/bvUIiD_BWCO

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