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30TH OCTOBER 2022

THE THIRTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Please note change of Mass Times this week

Sat	29th	18:15	Margaret Gaughan	St Patrick's
Sun	30th	08:45	Mass in Polish	St Patrick's
The 31st Sunday in Ordinary Time		09:00	Kathleen Stagg	Our Lady's
		11:00	Charles & Catherine Ebele RIP	St Patrick's
		12:30	Baptism – Chidubem Ezenkwu	St Patrick's
	Mon	31st	Ferial	
			No Mass Today	St Patrick's
Tue	1st	ALL SAINTS – Holyday of Obligation		
		12:00	November List	St Patrick's
		18:00	Mass in Polish	St Patrick's
Wed	2nd	COMMEMORATION OF ALL THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED		
		09:00	November List	St Patrick's
		10:00	Blessing of the Graves in Wellington Cemetery	
		12:00	November List	Our Lady's
		12:00	Funeral Service for Barbara Haydon	St Patrick's
		18:00	Mass in Polish	St Patrick's
Thur	3rd	St Winifred, Virgin		
		10:30	Funeral Service for Maureen Hagans	Telford Crematorium
		19:00	November List	St Patrick's
Fri	4th	St Charles Borromeo, Bishop		
		12:00	November List	St Patrick's
		18:00	Mass in Polish	St Patrick's
Sat	5th	Ferial		
Sat	5th	18:15	November List Family Mass	St Patrick's
Sun	6th	08:45	Mass in Polish	St Patrick's
The 32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time		09:00	November List Family Mass	Our Lady's
		11:00	November List Family Mass	St Patrick's
		12:30	Baptisms – Ophelia Monachino & Charlotte Baker	St Patrick's

CONFESSIONS

Heard by Appointment

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31ST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

FIRST READING

Wisdom 11:22- 12:2

A reading from the book of Wisdom

In your sight, Lord, the whole world is like a grain of dust that tips the scales, like a drop of morning dew falling on the ground. Yet you are merciful to all, because you can do all things and overlook men's sins so that they can repent. Yes, you love all that exists; you hold nothing of what you have made in abhorrence, for had you hated anything, you would not have formed it. And how, had you not willed it, could a thing persist, how be conserved if not called forth by you? You spare all things because all things are yours. Lord, lover of life, you whose imperishable spirit is in all. Little by little, therefore, you correct those who offend, you admonish and remind them of how they have sinned, so that they may abstain from evil and trust in you, Lord.

The word of the Lord.

R/ Thanks be to God

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Psalm 144

**Response: I will bless your name for ever,
O God my King.**

1. I will give you glory, O God my King,
I will bless your name for ever.
I will bless you day after day
and praise your name for ever. **R/**
2. The Lord is kind and full of compassion,
slow to anger, abounding in love.
How good is the Lord to all,
compassionate to all his creatures. **R/**
3. All your creatures shall thank you, O Lord,
and your friends shall repeat their blessing.
They shall speak of the glory of your reign
and declare your might, O God. **R/**
4. The Lord is faithful in all his words
and loving in all his deeds.
The Lord supports all who fall
and raises all who are bowed down. **R/**

SECOND READING

2 Thessalonians 1: 11-22

A reading from the second letter of St Paul to the Thessalonians

We pray continually that our God will make you worthy of his call and by his power fulfil all your desires for goodness and complete all that you have been doing through faith; because in this way the name of our Lord Jesus Christ will be glorified in you and you in him, by the grace of our God and the Lord Jesus Christ.

To turn now, brothers, to the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ and how we shall all be gathered round him: please do not get excited too soon or alarmed

by any prediction or rumour or any letter claiming to come from us, implying that the Day of the Lord has already arrived.

The word of the Lord.

R/ Thanks be to God.

Alleluia, alleluia!

**Blessings on the King who comes,
in the name of the Lord!**

Peace in heaven

and glory in the highest heavens!

Alleluia!

GOSPEL

Luke 19: 1-10

A reading from the holy gospel according to Luke

R/ Glory to you, O Lord.

Jesus entered Jericho and was going through the town when a man whose name was Zacchaeus made his appearance; he was one of the senior tax collectors and a wealthy man. He was anxious to see what kind of man Jesus was, but he was too short and could not see him for the crowd; so he ran ahead and climbed a sycamore tree to catch a glimpse of Jesus who was to pass that way. When Jesus reached the spot he looked up and spoke to him: "Zacchaeus, come down. Hurry, because I must stay at your house today." And he hurried down and welcomed him joyfully. They all complained when they saw what was happening. "He has gone to stay at a sinner's house", they said. But Zacchaeus stood his ground and said to the Lord, "Look, sir, I am going to give half my property to the poor, and if I have cheated anybody I will pay him back four times the amount." And Jesus said to him, "Today salvation has come to this house, because this man too is a son of Abraham; for the Son of Man has come to seek out and save what was lost."

The Gospel of the Lord.

R/ Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

PRAYER REMEMBRANCES

Your prayers are asked for the sick and the housebound and all those who are in hospital, the Hospice or local nursing and care homes. We remember especially the doctors, nurses and all medical staff at our hospitals; also all the staff at our local nursing and care homes and parishioners shielding or self-isolating at home at this time.

We remember in prayer all who have died, especially **Gerard Gallacher** (Funeral Service 14th November), **Barbara Haydon** (Funeral Service 2nd November), **Valerie Perry** (Service of Committal 8th November) and **Maureen Hagans** (Service of Committal 3rd November) and all who are mourning the death of a loved one, and all whose anniversaries occur about this time.

Prayerful Congratulations to Alexander Pope and Eleanor Tinker, who were married here on Friday.

CONFIRMATION

We have generally celebrated the sacrament every two years, depending on the numbers. If you are 13+ and would like to be part of a programme next year, please let Fr. Alban know. At this early stage, before the bishop organises his diary for next year, we need to just have an indication of how many are coming forward. Many thanks.

THE POPE'S PRAYER INTENTION FOR NOVEMBER

During November the Pope asks us to pray:

For children who suffer: We pray for children who are suffering, especially those who are homeless, orphans and victims of war. May they be guaranteed access to education and the opportunity to experience family affection.

CARITAS DIOCESE OF SHREWSBURY

Free wellbeing support service-emotional support-parenting-money and debt advice-mental health.
Call or text Lucy on 07384568252
Based at the Roy Fletcher Centre in Shrewsbury.

PRAYER FOR UKRAINE

God of peace and justice,

we pray for the people of Ukraine today.

We pray for peace and the laying down of weapons.

We pray for all those who fear for tomorrow, that your Spirit may comfort them.

We pray for those with power over peace and war, for wisdom, discernment, and compassion to guide their decisions. Above all we pray for the precious children, at risk and in fear, that you would hold them and protect them. We pray in the name of Jesus, the Prince of Peace.

Amen.

MONEY MATTERS

Last Sunday's Offertory Collections:

St Patrick's: £ 1057.00

Our Lady's: £ 328.00

Many thanks for your continued generosity.

PARISH NOVEMBER LIST

During the month of November each of the Masses will be offered for those whose names are included in our Parish November List and Book of Remembrance. If you would like family members and friends to be included, please list them on the forms in the porch and return them by posting them in the gold box.

All names will be inscribed into the Book of Remembrance. For family members only: if you are able to give their full date of death then their names will be inscribed in the dated section of the Book and will be remembered in prayer at Mass on their Anniversary date.

All other names will be inscribed in the "Unknown Anniversaries" section or in the "Families" section of the Remembrance Book.

PARISH SERVICE OF REMEMBRANCE

At 7.00pm in church on Thursday, 17th November we shall remember all parishioners who have died over the last twelve months, and your deceased family and friends. All parishioners are welcome to come and join in this very special annual Service and to remember their family members and friends in prayer and light a candle in remembrance of them.

FRIENDS OF MYANGA

The Friends will be selling Raffle Tickets for the Christmas Hamper Raffle before 6.15pm & 11am Mass on **this weekend and next. Tickets are £1 each.**

There are 6 prizes of food hampers to win including Italian, Cheese and Wine, Afternoon Tea & Port and Stilton themed selection. Photos will be posted in the porch.

All money raised for Myanga will be used by the Sisters to prepare small food parcels to be handed out for Christmas to the local people.

Thank you for your continued support, it is very much appreciated by Sister Gertrude and the community in Myanga.



WORLD MISSION - Missio

Envelopes are available from the porch if you would like to make a donation. Please add them to the collection or the gold box. If you would like to support this charity by filling a **red box**, please contact Andrea Lort on 01952 605313 or email andykort02@gmail.com.

JOINT MEETING OF THE PARISH COUNCIL AND PARISH FINANCE COMMITTEE

The Parish Council and Finance Committee will meet at St Patrick's on Wednesday 9th November at 7pm to map out future plans for the parishes

If you want them to consider particular matters: write them down on the sheets provided and pop them into the gold box in the porch – not forgetting your name and contact number.

TELFORD INTERFAITH COUNCIL

Telford Interfaith Council, of which St Patrick's is a member, are asking for volunteers.

They are looking at starting a hot kitchen once a week, probably on a Saturday morning, from the Interfaith building in Wellington where residents would come for a hot meal and an opportunity to escape the cold.

Please can you leave your name and a contact number on the list in the porch if you are willing to help. (It need not be every week) or contact Jane Clarke on 07956 072 634. Thank you.

SVP

Thank you for your continued response for the foodbank. St Patrick's SVP will be serving coffee and tea after the Family Mass next Sunday, 6th November.

Donations of cakes are welcome for this event.

NO CHILDREN'S LITURGY

There is no Children's Liturgy session this week as it is half term. Masses next weekend are Family Masses. If your child would like to help with the Offertory or reading at this or any future Mass please let Moira know.

LET US KNOW YOUR E-MAIL ADDRESS

We use e-mail addresses to keep in touch with parishioners and to circulate the Newsletter. If you are not yet receiving parish updates let us know your email address and you too can be included. Send an email to ccntelford@gmail.com and we shall keep you abreast of the latest news and updates in the comfort of your own home

FACE MASKS

Our numbers have returned to normal after much upheaval. We are only too aware that Covid has not gone away. People are sitting next to each other, as in pre-covid days, especially at the 11.00am Mass. We encourage anyone that is still anxious to continue to wear a mask and don't be embarrassed to move if there is more space somewhere else in church. Masks are available from the porch.

.PARISH DIARY

October

29th/30th

31st Sunday in Ordinary Time

Myanga raffle tickets on sale

British Summer Time ends

Baptism: Chidubem Ezenkwu

30th

November

1st

All Saints Day - Holyday of Obligation

SVP meets at St Patrick's

All Souls Day

Funeral Service for Barbara Haydon

Funeral Service for Maureen

Hagans

4th

Polish First Friday Mass 6.00pm

5th/6th

32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Myanga raffle tickets on sale

Family Masses

Teas & Coffees after Mass (SVP)

6th

Myanga Raffle Draw

Baptisms – Ophelia Monachino &

Charlotte Baker

8th

Funeral Service for Valerie Perry

SVP at Our Lady's

Family Mass Singers 7pm

9th

Pastoral Parish Council meets

12th/13th

Remembrance Sunday

Baptism – Noah Doody

CWL Cake Sale

Funeral service for Gerard Gallacher

15th

CWL Mass & meeting

SVP at St Patrick's

16th

LMAC at St Mary's

17th

Parish Remembrance Service

19th/20th

Christ the King

20th

Baptism: Alfie Hoyle

22nd

Family Mass Singers 7pm

25th

Baptism – Reece Smith

26th/27th

1st Sunday of Advent

27th

Baptism – Cecilia Kelly

29th

SVP meets at both churches

Groups meeting in the Parish

St Patrick's

SVP: Alternate Tuesdays at 7pm (1st Nov)

Family Mass Singers: Alternate Tuesdays at 7pm (8th Nov)

CWL: 3rd Wednesdays of the month at 12noon

Choir: Wednesdays 7.30-9pm

Our Lady's

SVP: Every third Tuesday at 7pm (8th Nov)

Choir: Thursdays at 6:30pm

All groups welcome new members

STAMPS

The RNIB collecting box is in the church porch for your used stamps. Mrs Rebello thanks all those who continue to contribute to help the Institute.