St Anne's Parish, Wappenbury with Our Lady of the Angels', Princethorpe

Sunday 27 October 2024

Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time Year B
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The parish is part of the Archdiocese of Birmingham

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Second Collection next Sunday 3 November 2024 for Johnson Association

"Season of mist and mellow fruitfulness" (Keats)

Growing up in Ireland in the forties and fifties, two feast days were very important each Autumn: The Feast of All Saints (1 November) and the Feast of All Souls (2 November). The first was a Holiday of Obligation while, on the second of November, a priest was allowed to celebrate three Masses. Both days, I sense, were intended for us to honour our ancestors who had 'arrived' in heaven as well as to give those in the queue, 'waiting to get in', so to speak, a helping hand out of Purgatory, in the form of a Plenary Indulgence, an entry into heaven that was, nevertheless, guaranteed.

All of which betrays an image of God that we have evolved for ourselves based on our own experience of relationships. We are 'time bound' people, whereas we believe that, for God, there is no time. Whether our ancestors have got into heaven or not is surely a non-question for us since, whatever their situation might be, we can do so little about it - or is this heresy? Because the Penny Catechism encouraged us to "pray for the souls of the faithful departed that they might be loosed from their sins". To gain a plenary indulgence (and thus 'loose' a soul from Purgatory), I needed to 'visit a church' (meaning cross the threshold) and recite specific prayers. And arriving home, I would be asked 'how many did you get out today?' Humorous now to look back on, but very relevant and meaningful at the time, and to be respected.

Both days, I suggest, acknowledge our human condition and our relationship to the Divinity; November 1st. recognising the power of God "to do immeasurably more for us than we can think of or imagine" (St Paul: Ephesians 3:20), thus enabling us to make choices to enhance human life for ourselves and for the human family way beyond our natural capability. Inviting us, as well, to express gratitude for God's care for us through our family, friends and colleagues; while November 2^{nd, in} recognises the inherent fragility of human beings in making choices that violate natural justice in one way or another which needs to be put right before entry into the presence of the Almighty.

Perhaps, both feast days might be better understood if viewed from another perspective, namely, that of memory. Remembering our ancestors, we are invited to give thanks for what we have *received through* them. Similarly, we are challenged to examine our current choices and lifestyle and to adapt them to be more life giving, other focussed and life enhancing for the human family. Remembering also that *"where they have gone, we surely will follow"* (funeral ritual). Perhaps in this way, by a life well lived and lived to the full, becoming more peace filled, and, in a word, learning to love in new ways, in new cultures, with new challenges.

The Book of Sirach 7:35 reminds us: "In all you do, remember the **end** of **your life**, and then **you will never sin**". And Augustine observes that "Because you have made us for yourself, O God, and our hearts will never rest until they rest in you". (Confessions 1.1.1). Both are invitations to an awareness of the gift of life.

As we remember our deceased families, friends, and colleagues, perhaps sometime during these two feast days, 1st and 2nd of November, we might devote just a little time to reflect, in solitude, on our destiny, and experience the inner stillness that this can offer us. It is, after all, a "season of mists and mellow fruitfulness" (Keats).

Enjoy this precious gift of Autumn 2024 – it will not be ours again.

Mass Information And Intentions For Week Beginning Sunday 27 October 2024					
Sunday 27 October	8.30am 10.30am	Wappenbury Princethorpe	Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time Year B Christina Cusworth (18 th ann.) No Children's Liturgy today Refreshments after both Masses		
Monday 28 October	No Mass				
Tuesday 29 October	9.00am Mass	Wappenbury			
Wednesday 30 October	8.30am Mass	Wappenbury			
Thursday 31 October	No Mass				
Friday 1 November	10.00am Mass	Wappenbury	All Saints Day – Holy Day of Obligation		
Saturday 2 November	10.00am Mass	Wappenbury	Commemoration of all the Faithful Departed		
Sunday 3 November	8.30am Mass 10.30am Mass	Wappenbury Princethorpe	Thirty First Sunday in Ordinary Time Year B Both Masses for the Deceased Family Members of our Parish Community – see note below No Children's Liturgy today Refreshments after both Masses		

Sunday Collection - 20 October 2024

Date	Wappenbury Offertory	Second Collection	Princethorpe Offertory	Second Collection
20 October 2024	£89.00	Mission Sunday £27.00	£66.48	Mission Sunday £30.70

Safeguarding Information From The Archdiocese of Birmingham Office

The St Anne's Parish operates in accordance with Statutory Safeguarding Guidance, and the National and Archdiocese policies & procedures always.

The Diocesan Safeguarding team can be contacted on 0121 230 6240 or safeguarding@rcaob.org.uk if you have any concerns.

Catholic Life And Sacraments At St Anne's

Confirmation: Parents, with children under 16 years of age, who request Confirmation, should contact Fr Teddy, and those over the age of 16 should contact Fr Teddy direct, for Confirmation during 2025.

New Missals

The new Missals have been ordered. According to the supplier they will be sent out towards the end of November ready for Advent. As soon as they arrive you will be able to collect them from St Anne's.

There will be spare copies available from the Presbytery is you decide you would like one later. They cost £13.00 (cash please).

Upcoming Diary Dates – Please Make Note						
Sunday 10 November	8.30am	Wappenbury	Remembrance Sunday			
	10.30am	Princethorpe	_			
Saturday 16 November	10.00am -12noon	Wappenbury	Planting at St Anne's (weather permitting)			
Monday 16 December	7.00pm	Wappenbury	Carol Service			
Sunday 22 December	8.30am	Wappenbury	Mass			
•	10.30am	Wappenbury	Mass			
Tuesday 24 December	5.00pm	Princethorpe College	Family Mass on Christmas Eve			
	9.00pm	Princethorpe College	First Mass of Christmas – Note: no			
			Midnight Mass			
Wednesday 25	9.30am	Wappenbury	Mass of Christmas Day			
December			·			
Sunday 29 December	8.30am	Wappenbury	Mass			
	10.30am	Wappenbury	Mass			
Sunday 5 January	8.30am	Wappenbury	Mass			
2025	10.30am	Wappenbury	Mass			

Diary Dates - The Information Above

Please can you make a note of the diary dates above and where Mass will be celebrated.

The three Sunday Masses over the Christmas and New Year period will be celebrated at St Anne's. This will assist Princethorpe College in conserving their heating and energy output while the College is closed for the holidays.

Children's Liturgy – The Way Forward

Clare, Rachel and Mary work hard to help the children understand the liturgy each Sunday in term time. I would like to thank Stephanie too, who has recently stepped down, for her work with the children.

Now, the numbers are few. Please consider carefully the value that this wonderful ministry would bring to your school age child. A children's liturgy on Sundays needs children!

Please come and talk with me if you have concerns about this.

The dates for the Sundays that the Children's Liturgy take place up until Christmas are: Sunday 10 November, 17 November, 24 November, 1 December, 8 December, 15 December.

Cleaning St Anne's – Your Parish Church – HELP, HELP!

It is not a hard job to keep St Anne's clean and tidy. The faithful few could do with some help, please.

The most it takes is two hours with two people. Please let Loretta or me know when you are available, and we will put you on the list. The only proviso is that you let me know which day in the week you are coming so I can give you access to the cleaning things in the garage.

Thank you

Senior Citizens Christmas Lunch at Princethorpe College

Princethorpe College would once again like to invite you, and some of your parishioners, to join our Sixth Form students for a Christmas lunch on Wednesday 4 December 2024. Arrival is at 12:00pm and departure 2:00pm and the meal will be accompanied by the singing of carols, pulling of crackers and general chatter with our students.

If you would like to come along, please let Loretta know by Monday 4 November. Thank you

Masses for the Deceased Family Members of our Parish Community – Sunday 3 November

On Sunday 3 November, both Masses with be celebrated in memory of family members of our parish community. Names can be inserted in envelopes available at the back of both churches. These will then be placed on the altar during both Masses.

Sacrament of Reconciliation

The Sacrament of Reconciliation ('Confession') is available in St Anne's Parish on request to Fr Teddy MSC.

Support Serving Refreshments At Princethorpe

At present, Marie and Sean Kerrigan together with Pam Hopwood and Loretta try to ensure refreshments are available after the 10.30am Mass each Sunday. Occasionally family events prevent them from offering this very successful and valuable treat. Is there anyone else who could offer to help them?

The teams generously bring along the tea/coffee etc in hot water flasks. If you feel you could help them, please get in touch with Loretta. If you need any large flasks, please let us know and we can provide them.

Thank you to those of the community who take time to stay after Mass at St Anne's and Princethorpe. It is such a wonderful chance to catch up. Thanks also to those who bring along cake and biscuits – always very welcome!

St Anne's Website – In Memory On The Website – Can You See Who Might Not Be Remembered?

Thank you to those of you who have contacted Loretta with updates to the web page. Please take a few minutes to have a look. If you would like your loved one remembered, then please get in touch with Loretta. If you notice information that is incorrect and needs updating, please let Loretta know. Thank you

The website page link is here

November Tidy-Up at St Anne's - Saturday 16 November 2024

One couple of hours more in November will see the grounds looking good for the winter. Do come and offer your talent and your energy.

Cards for Various Occasions

In the porch at St Anne's, you will find miscellaneous cards for various occasions. Please feel free to take one or more. A donation of £1.00 per card would be appreciated.

There is also the Piety cupboard in the Prayer Room at Princethorpe. Please take time to see Fergus if you would like to have a look. All items are £1.00

Especially In Your Prayers This Week - For The Living

Fr Michael Knight, Parish Priest in Tamworth, who has been diagnosed with cancer.

Benedict who is experiencing personal difficulties at this time. He really asks for your prayers.

Martha, Karen Walls mother-in-law. Is very ill in Antrim hospital. Some of the Martha's family have travelled from UK to be with her. Hold them in your prayer during these difficult days.

The Kealey family as they mourn the death of Isobel O'Hara (nee Kealey) in Ireland.

Meabh Barratt (3) lives with her family in Ireland. She is undergoing tests in Ireland and the results will be sent to Alder Hay Children's Hospital, Liverpool. Please pray for this young child and her family.

Francesca who begins ongoing chemotherapy. Pray for her husband and family.

Rachel who is quite ill at present.

Fr Martin Morrissey MSC, who is recovering in hospital from a fall.

Bro Donal Hallissey MSC who is receiving care in a nursing home in Cork.

Di Downes and family, whose husband, Jonathan died recently at home.

Sue Kimberley as she continues with another round of chemotherapy.

John, brother-in-law of Veronica, recently diagnosed with prostate cancer.

Marie, Veronica's sister, who is having major surgery on her spine.

Emma's family as they prepare to say goodbye to her.

Johnny Stott (20s), younger brother to Melody Kerrigan. Johnny was released from hospital last week. He is much stranger and thanks you all for your prayers. Continue to hold the Stott and Kerrigan families in your prayers.

The O'Keeffe family as they grieve for Dermot's mother, Maureen.

Patrick who is suffering from cancer. Recent news has been discouraging.

Patrick's son (40) who suffered a stroke recently. Hold his wife and family in your prayers.

Mary Owen whose mother, Gaby, died recently in Rugeley, Staffs. Hold Mary and family in your prayers.

Paula Loveitt whose sister, Denise Harris (50), died recently. Pray for Paula's three sisters, her mum and her wider family.

Sue Kimberley and her daughter Adele. Both thank God for improvement in Adele's condition.

Michael, parish groundsman, who is currently in hospital. He misses working in our gardens and cemeteries. Michael needs your prayers.

David Scannell's cousin, whose funeral was held recently.

Florence Thomas whose cousin, Tommy (69), died unexpectedly recently in Ireland.

Paul and Sandra Waddoups ask for your prayers.

Sonia Maceluch, Alice and James as they mourn the death of David.

Josh's family who are experiencing family difficulties at this time. You may recall Josh died recently in a car accident.

The O'Keeffe family as they mourn the death of John Patrick. Hold Bonni, his wife, and brother Dermot in your prayers.

Sonia is awaiting further news on her health issues.

Roy Pendleton who is currently residing in Galanos House, Southam.

Peter Power who is recovering at home from recent medical treatment.

Ed Hester's father who is ill at home.

Samantha and Peter Swann. Samantha's older son, Ricky, was killed in a tragic road accident earlier this year, together with his friend, Josh. Both men were in their twenties. Please continue to old both families in your prayers.

John and Caroline. John (major surgery for a tumour, Caroline's friend).

Noah aged 4, in Birmingham Children's Hospital with a rare brain tumour.

Carl, son in law to Elizabeth Wilson, diagnosed with a lifelong, very rare condition. Please pray for Carl and all the family.

Tianna, who has had a grade 3 brain tumour removed and has begun Proton treatment. Please pray for Tianna's family

Con (Marie Malin's father) who is now at home with carers.

Tracey, not a parishioner, friend of Julie Satchwell, who has been diagnosed with ovarian cancer.

lan Milligan, and lan's wife Julie, Basil's sister, still fragile and unwell. Thank you for your continuing prayers.

John (18yrs) who has been diagnosed with life changing cancer. Please hold John, his family and friends, and the medical profession dealing with this and similar situations, in your prayers.

Yve and Sean Butterfield, friends of Marie Kerrigan. Please pray for all the family at this very difficult time.

Sophie (22)

Heather, who experienced her treatment recently. She is recovering at home at present.

Frances, friend of Marie Kerrigan who has received good news that her sight has been saved. Prayers greatly appreciated.

Sally who welcomes your prayers.

Jenny who is having treatment for cancer.

Irene with her continuing health difficulties. Hold Liam and Irene's parents in your prayers.

Elizabeth who is waiting for a serious operation.

Anthony Platt, friend of Kathy Bond

Paul, a paramedic friend of Kathy Bond, Stretton on Dunsmore.

John, Pray for Clare and family.

Veronica and Paul, please continue your prayers for them.

John (75) diagnosed with bladder cancer.

Karen, waiting results of an exploratory investigation.

Frank

Carolyn, who is ill with breast cancer.

For Those Who Have Died and For Their Families - Our Prayers This Week

Sr Mary Colemen RIP, sister to Fr Chris Coleman MSC. Mary died recently in Ireland.

Debbie RIP, a former member of the College catering staff who died last Friday. Please pray for Debbie's family.

Isobel O'Hara (nee Kealey) RIP

David Butler RIP, a neighbour of Loretta's, who died unexpectedly at home recently. Pray for Sandy and all the family.

Kathleen O'Brien OP 94yrs (Sr Laetitia OP) RIP Fr Teddy's sister, who died recently.

Jonathan Downes RIP, who died at home recently.

Emma RIP, a friend of Mary Owen. Hold Emma, her family and friends in your prayers.

Allan Stewart RIP, a friend of Pam Hopwood, whose wife, Moira and family, who do a lot for the shoe-box team.

Raymond Heald RIP, friend of Patsy Monahan.

Maureen O'Keeffe RIP who died recently. Hold the O'Keeffe family in your prayers.

Gaby Owen RIP, Mary Owen's mother who died recently. Please pray for Mary and all the family.

Denise Harris (50) RIP, who died recently. Hold Alexandra and Denise' sisters and family in your prayers.

Yvonne Busby RIP. Please pray for all the family.

Tommy (69) RIP, first cousin of Florence Thomas.

David Scannell RIP, cousin of Sean Kerrigan. Prayers please for his wife, Monica and all David's family.

John O'Brien RIP, brother-in-law of Liz Bates. Please pray for Maria and all the family.

David Maceluch RIP, please pray for Sonia, Alice, James and Lily.

Celia Dupre RIP. friend of Jane and Tony Phayer.

Bridget Mernagh RIP, aunt to Peter Power. Please pray for Bridget's family.

Cissie Power RIP, Peter's mother

Bernard Gallagher RIP, brother to Fr Frank Gallagher MSC (retired)

Stacy Busby RIP, Bill's niece

Paul Gandy's sister RIP

Ellie Taylor RIP, please pray for Ellie's family.

Frances McCallum RIP, Mary McGowan niece. Please pray for Mary and all the family.

Judith Roberts RIP (70s)

Mary McKeown RIP

Paul Spencer RIP

Margaret Huett RIP

Bill and Yvonne Busby RIP

Jean RIP, aunt to Tim Malin. Pray for Tim and Maria and all the family.

John RIP Remember Clare in your prayers.

John Dobie RIP

Myrtle Forster (64) RIP Remember Marie in your prayers.

Mont RIP Remember Roy in your prayers.

Opportunities At Princethorpe College

Nursery Practitioner – Crackley Hall School - Required to start at the beginning of December or as soon as possible thereafter, we seek to recruit an enthusiastic and suitably qualified Nursery Practitioner to work as part of our Nursery Team.

This is an exciting opportunity to join a busy and happy nursery that has excellent outside facilities and the support of Crackley Hall School.

The job holder will work in the nursery setting, joining an established team under the direction of the Nursery Manager. The successful candidate will ensure that every child in their care is well-supported and encouraged to develop themselves as an individual.

This role is all year round working 39 hours a week spread over four days. Working days to be agreed with the Nursery Manager. The usual hours will be 7.45am to 6.00pm including a 30-minute unpaid break.

The starting salary for this role is at D5 of the Princethorpe Foundation support staff scale, currently £12.50 per hour, £24,375 per annum full-time equivalent, £25,350 actual pay.

Benefits include 25 days holiday per annum plus bank holidays (pro rata) to be taken during term time, unless agreed with the Nursery Manager. Closing date Monday 28 October 2024. Further information <a href="https://example.com/here-purple-state-purpl

Trustee – The Princethorpe Foundation - The Princethorpe Foundation is looking for exceptional individuals who are able to shape the future of the Foundation and its three schools and nursery. The role involves setting the vision and strategic direction of the Foundation together with the senior leadership team to maintain its ethos and ensure the quality of education for some 1,400 children aged 2 to 18.

Trustees are expected to attend four Governing Body meetings a year and normally attend one or two sub-committees according to their interests and experience. The Governing Body is responsible for the provision of education, overseeing budget allocation, agreeing on policies and procedures and ensuring compliance with statutory requirements.

Trustees are keen that we have a wide range of expertise, experience and backgrounds within the Governing Body. Core skills which are covered include: Education, Business Expertise, Law, Human Resources, Governance, Finance and Property.

Trustees ensure an understanding of the schools through visits and will receive appropriate induction and safeguarding training,

Trustees are guardians of the Catholic ethos of the Foundation based on friendship, kindness, compassion and love. We aim to prepare our pupils to be positive and active members of our diverse society, being generous of spirit in serving others. We want them to lead happy and fulfilled lives by giving them a deep understanding of the core values needed to build happy and healthy relationships.

About us

The Foundation is a registered charity, and trustees are also directors and members of the limited company. The aim is to provide a first-rate independent education and to create outstanding schools. If you are ready to make a lasting impact and lead transformative change in education, we invite you to join us.

Please contact recruitment@princethorpe.co.uk to arrange an initial conversation if you are interested in becoming a trustee.

Site Supervisor – Crackley Hall, Kenilworth - Required to start in November, we seek to recruit a full-time Site Supervisor to oversee and coordinate day to day 'caretaker' functions at Crackley Hall School, such as reactive maintenance, PPM's, compliance checks, porterage, cleaning and security. This exciting and wide-ranging role is remotely managed by the Head of Estates and Sustainability, but the Site Supervisor is the key person 'on the ground', ensuring that their site is fully functional, organised, clean, tidy, secure and well maintained.

The role is all year round (52 weeks per year) for 37.5 hours per week (with a one-hour unpaid break per day). The working pattern is predominantly 6.45am to 3.15pm (Monday to Friday) but with the flexibility to work later shifts or weekends on occasions to meet the needs of the school.

There are also opportunities to earn overtime/time off in lieu through additional work to support key events across the Foundation.

The starting salary for this role is between D13 to D16 of the Princethorpe Foundation support staff scale, currently £26,589 to £27,612 per annum full-time equivalent by negotiation, depending on qualifications and relevant experience.

Potential candidates are strongly encouraged to visit the school's website www.crackleyhall.co.uk for more information about our thriving School, which offers a rich curriculum and strong sense of community.

This is an excellent opportunity to join a Foundation that values its staff and offers a rewarding benefits package including discounted places for staff, a pension scheme and a cycle to work scheme.

The closing date for applications is **Monday 4 November 2024**, **at 9.00am**, however, candidates may be called for interview before this date and the closing date brought forward. **Candidates are encouraged to apply at their earliest opportunity.** Further information here

Further Opportunities

From time to time the College look to recruit additional teaching and support staff. If you are interested in any of the below opportunities, please submit your CV and an accompanying letter, outlining the areas in which you are interested to recruitment@princethorpe.co.uk

Exam Invigilators – assist in the smooth running of the internal and public examinations.

SEND Support Staff – for in-class, small group and one-to-one work with pupils.

Cover Teaching Staff – being part of a team available for short-term and long-term supply work.

Games Coaching – to assist with our wide-ranging sports programme.