

OUR LADY & ST BENEDICT'S CHURCH NEWSLETTER Alcester Road, Wootton Wawen, B95 6BQ Tel: 01564 792647 Priest-in-Charge: Fr. Damian Nwankwo <u>fr.damian.nwankwo@rcaob.org.uk</u> Parish Email: <u>olasb.woottonwawen@rcaob.org.uk</u> The Parish is part of the Archdiocese of Birmingham. Registered Charity No. 234216 "The parable of the unjust judge" Luke 18:1-8. Psalter Week 4

The Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time. 16th–17th November 2024

Holy Father's Prayer Intention for November, For anyone who has lost a child: "We pray that all parents who mourn the loss of a son or daughter find support in their community and receive peace and consolation from the Holy Spirit."

Sat 16 th	Vigil for The Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time:	5.30 pm Mass: Stephen
November		Bulingham and deceased
		members of the family
Sun 17th	The Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time:	10.00 am Mass:
November	Children's Liturgy	Tom Higgins RIP
Mon 18 th Nov	Feria in Ordinary Time	9.30 am Mass: John Platt RIP
Tues 19 th Nov	Feria in Ordinary Time	6.30 pm Mass:
Wed 20 th Nov	Feria in Ordinary Time	9.30 am Mass: Deceased
		members of the Rielly and
		Platt Families
Wed 20 th Nov	SOUP AND ROLL LUNCH	12.30 om in Parish rooms
Thurs 21 st Nov	Memorial of the Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary	Mass: No Mass
Fri 22 nd Nov	Memorial of St Cecilia, Virgin, Martyr	9.00 am Mass:
Fri 22 nd Nov	Memorial Service for Frances Anderson	4.00 pm:
Sat 23 rd	Vigil for The Solemnity of Jesus Christ, The Universal	5.30 pm Mass:
November	King of the Universe. Catholic Youth Service collection.	
Sun 24 th	The Solemnity of Jesus Christ, The Universal King of the	10.00 am Mass:
November	Universe. Catholic Youth Service collection.	

November Friday Morning Masses, Change of Time: Over this month, year groups from St Marys School are joining us for mass. To accommodate them and the train times back to School, our mass on Friday mornings will be at 9.00. We encourage parents and Parsi honours to come along and join the children in their worship. **Children's Liturgy:** We will have a children's liturgy this weekend during our Sunday 10.00 mass.

Friday 22nd November 4.00 pm: Ann Bulingham and her family will hold a memorial service for Frances. This Friday all parishioners are welcome.

Solemnity of Christ the King: National Youth Sunday. Next Sunday is set aside to celebrate and recognise the work of young people in our church community. The Second Collection will be for Catholic Youth Service. **Advent "Walk with me". Books and calendars.** These are available from this weekend. Any Donations towards these gratefully received in the Piety Stall collection boxes.

Prayer Intentions: We pray for all on our parish sick list and those who care for them, that the Lord may guide them and strengthen them through their illness. We pray especially in November, for all the holy souls who have died in the peace of Christ: especially our parish anniversaries, John Platt, Stephen Bullingham, Tom Higgins, Charles Bartholomew, Betty Sears, Fr John Dewis, Baby Ian, Caroline O'Halloran, Margaret Ryder and Margaret Bebbington, May they enjoy the everlasting happiness of heaven.

Readings for the Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time: This week's readings call us to live wisely, trust in Jesus' sacrifice, and have hope in difficult times. They remind us of the final judgment and the hope of resurrection and eternal life. As we reflect on these themes, let's strive to live according to God's will and help others do the same.

The Faith Study Group will begin again on Friday, November 22, at 10:30 am. The group will continue on Fridays during Advent. They will look at "A Panoramic View of Salvation History". Please bring your Bible! Everyone is welcome!

Missio Red Boxes: Could box holders please return their boxes for Mary Clarke to coordinate the parish collection? If there is not much change in your box please consider donating notes. Please, mark any envelopes for Missio. Many Thanks

Our Lady and St Benedict's Church celebration of 120 years. Although the parish and Catholic mission in Wootton Wawen is much older, on Tuesday the 29th of November 1904, the current church was blessed and opened. We will have a special Mass to mark this occasion on Sunday 1st December at 10.00 am. **Parish Christmas Fair.** Saturday 30th November 11.00 – 5.00. Lots to see and take part in Raffle, Tombola, Games, Stalls, Christmas Jumper Swop Shop, Letter to Santa Station, Gently used toys, Bauble Station, and lots lots more. Anyone who wants to run a stall from outside of the parish please get in touch. We would love to have donations and help: Baubles that are no longer needed or any other decorations / gently used toys, Christmas Jumper. Anything for the 3 hampers (one is chocolate / one is toiletries/one is general Christmas yummy things). Please drop Lesley a note, call or text/whats app: lesleyeharvey@yahoo.co.uk, Tel 07912623990 / home number 01789488048.

November Month of Prayer for the Holy Souls. This month we focus on our friends, relatives etc who have died, especially on those in Purgatory still waiting to enter Heaven. We do have prayer lists if you would like to complete one to remember your loved ones through this month. Your list will be placed on the altar throughout this month to commemorate those who have passed. As Catholics, the greatest prayer we can make for our deceased relatives is by having a mass in their memory this month. We have prayer intention envelopes at the back of the church.

CAFOD Israeli-Palestinian Crisis Appeal to Donate to CAFOD's Israeli-Palestinian Crisis Appeal at cafod.org.uk/ipc or call 0303 303 003 to support those affected and get funds to local trusted experts in Gaza and southern Israel who have been working alongside communities helping those most in need. Your donation will help support aid workers providing urgent humanitarian aid including food, water and emergency shelter to those in need. Thank you for your prayers.

We do Still have some of our blue Votive Candles to leave at gravesides.

Stratford Food Bank: Please do help with what you can through November and drop food in the boxes at the back of the church we will take your offering next weekend.

Henley Christmas Tree Festival Friday 29th November. This starts on Friday 29th November.

Ecumenical Carol Service. St Nicholas Henley in Arden Sunday 1st December @5.00 pm

Luxury Christmas Wreath Workshop. Lesley is running workshops to make the most glorious of wreaths. Dates: 5th and 16th December. 2.30 -5.30 pm or 6.30 – 9.00 pm Cost £45 per person. Don't hesitate to get in touch with Lesley on 07912623990 or email lesleyeharvey@yahoo.co.uk

Cemetery Wall: The end of the work is near. The pavement has been reinstated; the wall structure is been topped off. The safety railing behind the wall is been installed and very shortly the work on the gate will be completed. The builder has cleared back his materials and cabin. The traffic lights are due to be removed over the weekend, 16–17th November. Any issues Jason Evans is the contact his number is 07976893235.

St Mary's School Foundation Governor Vacancies: We are still seeking some more foundation Governors for our school to join the School's Local Governing Board. If you can help please get in touch with the school above or John Burke at <u>jburke@gov.magnificat.org.uk</u>.

100 Club Draw. If anyone wants another number we do have some left. There are some "sign-up envelopes" at the back of the church for new subscribers. For BACS payments please contact Mary at

<u>pt.olasb.woottonwawen@rcaob.org.uk.</u> You can contact me for any queries at netandsteve@gmail.com. Many thanks. Annette

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<u>sg.olasb.woottonwawen@rcaob.org.uk</u> or the Diocesan Safeguarding team can be contacted at 0121 230 6240 safeguarding@rcaob.org.uk if you have any concerns.

Follow the Readings at Mass: www.universalis.com/mass. or <u>www.alivepublishing.co.uk</u>.

Birmingham Archdiocese Link: www.birminghamdiocese.org.uk

Deanery Website: <u>https://banburyandwarwick-catholicdeanery.org.uk/</u>

The Diocesan Lourdes Pilgrimage Saturday 24 – Friday 30 May 2025. Register now for this Diocesan Lourdes Pilgrimage in the Year of Jubilee. 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." You can now register your interest in joining the Pilgrimage by visiting www.birminghamdiocese.org.uk/lourdes. Wednesday 20th November, SOUP AND ROLL LUNCH, 12.30 om in Parish rooms.