The Catholic Parishes of Buntingford and Old Hall Green & Puckeridge

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All Saints

2nd November 2025

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Last Sunday we heard Saint Paul, knowing he would likely die soon, writing his close friend and fellow apostle, Saint Timothy, "I have competed well; I have finished the race; I have kept the faith." Today we honour all those men and women who lived a good and faith-filled life, whom we believe have received the "crown of righteousness," as Paul put it, and now live life eternally with God. The Church recognizes thousands of saints and no doubt each of us knows of someone whom we believe must be a saint as well. May that inspire us to live our Christian faith well, to keep our faith through hardship and doubt, and join them to live eternally with God.

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MASS TIMES AND INTENTIONS THIS WEEK

Buntingford

Sunday 2nd November	**All Saints**	9.15am People of the Parish
Tuesday 4th November		7.30pm
Sunday 9th November	The Dedication of the Lateran Basilica	9.15am James Rafferty RIP

Puckeridge

Sunday 2nd November	**All Saints**	11.00am People of the Parish
Thursday 6th November		12.30pm
Sunday 9th November	The Dedication of the Lateran Basilica	11.00am Krystyn Roziak RIP

Prayer Intentions. During Ordinary Time - Autumn: We are asked to pray for: Students and Teachers; The Spread of the Gospel; The Harvest; The Fruits of Human Work, and the Reverent Use of Creation; Justice and Peace in the World; All Victims of War; Young People; Prisoners and their Families.

For those who are ill: Alan Tan, **For those who have died recently:** Anna Gizzi,
For those whose Anniversaries occur at this time:

THANK YOU VERY MUCH

Thank you for last week's offertory collection, which came to £112.04 at Puckeridge; and at Buntingford; £75.50; and for your Regular standing orders

Confessions. Fr John will be available for Confessions after the evening Mass at St Richard's Buntingford each Tuesday.

Holy Hour. Each Friday the church at St Richard's in Buntingford will be open from 5.00 to 6.00pm. Please pop in to light a candle and say a prayer. The hour will usually end with Benediction.

Baptism. Please speak to Fr John or Deacon Paul after Mass if you would like your child to be baptised.

Refreshments after Mass. There will be refreshments in Benson Hall after the 9.15am Mass at St Richard's today. We look forward to seeing you there. You are especially welcome if you are visiting our parish this weekend.

Parishioners Details Forms. If you are new to the Parish, or have not done so already, please take one light green form, per household from the porch to complete and hand in to Deacon Paul.

Mass Intentions. If you would like a Mass Offered, please write the details on an envelope along with your Offering, and hand it in at the Sacristy after Mass so that we can arrange a suitable date for you.

Remembrance Service at St Richard's. After the service at the Buntingford War Memorial on Sunday 9th November there will be a short ecumenical Remembrance Service at 11.30am at St Richard's to which we will welcome members of the other Christian communities in Buntingford. Please join us for the service and, afterwards, for refreshments in Benson Hall.

Mass for the Dead. At 8.00pm on Friday 14th November there will be the Annual Mass for those from both the Buntingford and Puckeridge parishes who died this year. A special invitation to attend is extended to their family and friends.

Celebration of Christmas. There will be a Christmas Carol Concert at St Richard's at 7.00pm on Friday 12th December with readings and reflections. After the concert there will be mince pies and mulled wine in Benson Hall. Tickets will cost £3.00 and will be available from Buntingford Live. All money raised will go to support the work of Home Start.

November Holy Souls. November is traditionally the month in which we pray for the Holy Souls. Purple Sheets for the November Dead List and envelopes are available at the entrances to the Church. Please return them both to the Sacristy or Church and the lists of names will be placed in the Book of the Dead, which will be on the Sanctuary during each Mass in November.

Icons of Hope. There will be a short series of talks taking place on Monday evenings, 6.30pm – 8.00pm, at Vaughan House entitled 'Icons of Hope, which will invite us to reflect on where we can find blessed hope in our lives. The dates and speakers are as follows:
3rd November, 'Sacred Art', Sr Carolyn Morrison, Outreach Chaplain, London Universities
10th November, 'Saints, Blesseds and Pilgrimage', Elizabeth Uwalaka, Diocese of Westminster Pilgrimage Coordinator
24th November, Caroline Hull, National Director of Aid to the Church in Need
Please register attendance beforehand with Warren Brown at catadmin@rcdow.org.uk.

Learn to Pray. This online course starts on Friday 15th November. It is a six-session course for people who want to develop a personal prayer time that helps them develop their relationship with Jesus. Earlier in the year the diocese was blessed to have Andre Regnier with us to deliver this course in person and would now like to offer it online for those in Westminster Diocese who might be interested. We would particularly welcome people who could facilitate this course taking place locally in the future. To find out more and book, please visit: https://forms.monday.com/forms/a21a12bb63a164f048a8d15af72fba36?r=euc1&text0=



