

FEAST OF ALL SAINTS

Next Thursday is the feast of All Saints, and is a holyday of obligation, one of the few days when we are obliged to attend Mass during the week. Masses will be at 9.15am and 6.00pm.

ALL SOULS DAY is next Friday and Mass is at 9.15am.

HOLY SOULS BOOK

During the month of November, we remember all the souls in purgatory, those who still have to conclude their journey to God. During November the Masses on Tuesday and Thursday mornings will be offered for all the Holy Souls. If you would like anyone to be remembered in these Masses please add their names to the 'November Dead List' which you will find on the ledge near the repository.

PARISH PILGRIMAGE TO LOURDES 2019

The Parish Pilgrimage to Lourdes will be taking place between Saturday 9th February and Tuesday 12th February 2019. Further information can be found in the church porch, or from Ellen at ellen@lyallyoungman.co.uk



PLANNED GIVING OFFERTORY ENVELOPES RENEWAL

Please see the extra sheet regarding the envelopes for the coming year.



RITE OF AFFIRMATION

At the 11.30am Mass last Sunday, we celebrated the Rite of Affirmation, a liturgical rite where the Church recognises the desire of candidates to be received into full communion within the Catholic Church. Please continue to pray for Craig, Linda and John as they make final preparations to receive the Sacraments of Holy Eucharist and Confirmation.

MONTH OF THE ROSARY

October is the month of the Holy Rosary. This Gospel prayer will be



prayed in church, Monday to Saturday, after the morning Masses.

ANASTASIA COLEMAN RIP

Please pray for the repose of the soul of Anastasia Coleman who died recently. Anastasia's requiem Mass will be on Monday 5th November at 11am. We remember her family in our prayers at this time.

COFFEE MORNING/BRING & BUY.

The Ladies Group will be holding a coffee morning in the undercroft tomorrow 29th October, at 10 am (or after the 9.15 am Mass). Proceeds will go to Open Door and everyone in the Parish is welcome.



CONFIRMATION 2019

There will be a meeting for Parents of our Confirmation Candidates on Sunday 11th November at 6pm in the Undercroft.

LITTLE JOB OPPORTUNITY

There is a little job that has to be done after the 11.30am Mass on Sunday. It takes about half an hour. If you can manage to assist you will only be required once every few weeks. Please contact Canon Dwyer.

WALK IN THE PARK

New walkers can join our monthly walk in Rothamsted Park so you are most welcome to come and enjoy a gentle one-hour stroll on Wednesday 7th November to see the beautiful Autumn colour! Meet outside Church at 10am and after the walk, enjoy a coffee in a nearby cafe. If weather is bad, it's straight for coffee! Look out for future walks held first Wednesday of every month.



REMEMBRANCE DAY

Harpenden Churches Together present a special service of the spoken word and music for Remembrance Day at 5.30pm on



11th November at High Street Methodist Church. The service will finish in time for people to move onto the Beacons of Light ceremony on the Common Triangle which begins at 6.55pm outside the public halls. For more information please see the poster on the noticeboard.

LOST PROPERTY

We have a huge amount of lost property in the Church, please have a look through the boxes to see if any of it belongs to you. The boxes are kept next to the repository.



PARISH CHRISTMAS FAIR

The Parish Christmas Fair will be held on Saturday December 1st in the Lourdes Hall from 10 am to 1 pm. It is our only parish-wide event of the year, so start collecting up your bottles, toys, unwanted gifts, etc. AND we always need helpers, so please contact marva@cpoauk.com (H. 712364) if you would like to help in any way.

 livesimply

Our next activity is to collect UHT milk for the Highfield Oval Foodbank at all Masses on 3rd & 4th November!

The next 'Gathering' of the LiveSimply Interest groups (Environment, Liturgy, Practical/Resources, Justice, Peace & Care for Creation, and Communications) will be on Weds 7 November at 7.30pm in the Undercroft, when each group will say what progress they have made towards the CAFOD LiveSimply Award, which we hope to complete early in 2019. This is a parish initiative and all parishioners are welcome to see how we are getting on and to join in any of the groups' activities. You can find out more about the LiveSimply group, and many others, on the parish website:

<https://parish.rcdow.org.uk/harpenden/parish-groups/livesimply-group/>

Laudato Si

LA TRAGEDIE DE CARMEN 17TH NOV 2018



Pop Up Opera's performance of La Tragédie de Carmen, Lourdes Hall 17th November.

Ticket are selling fast and now stand at 78 tickets sold with four weeks still to go, so please order yours very soon to avoid disappointment. This is a production by a professional touring opera company and its right on your doorstep so no train fares to pay for. Please email dennis29@virginmedia.com to reserve tickets at £27.50 per person. Profits go to the parish Developing World Fund project so your attendance is even more worthwhile.

PARISH DIARIES 2019

Parish diaries, for the coming year, are now available. A voluntary contribution is welcome, and this can be placed in the Newspapers & Catholic Magazines box.

CHRISTMAS IN THE REPOSITORY

Christmas cards, both single and boxes, wrapping paper, contemporary cribs and candles. There are also a number of lovely items for children, all showing the true meaning of Christmas. Come and have a look

DIOCESE OF WESTMINSTER

VACANCIES

PARISH ADMINISTRATOR GARSTON

An exciting opportunity has arisen for a Parish administrator parish to provide support to Our Lady and St Michael parish in Garston. In this pivotal role within the parish, the post-holder will manage all administrative functions. This will include handling general correspondence, diary management and general administration tasks, s/he will also be responsible for interacting with parishioners visiting the office and those involved in parish activities. The ideal candidate will possess relevant experience in an administrative role and will be a confident team player with solid communication, organisational and co-ordination skills. Please see the Diocese website for details: <https://rcdow.org.uk/diocese/jobs/>

