

# The Announcer

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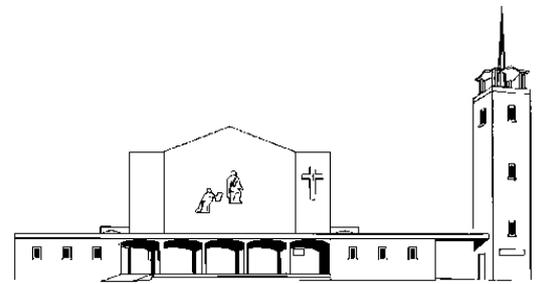
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TWENTY-NINTH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR

21<sup>st</sup> OCTOBER 2018

GOSPEL: Mark 10: 35-45

*The Son of Man came to give his life as a ransom for many.*

**My Dear Parishioners of St Augustine's,**

THE GOSPEL OF THIS SUNDAY urges us all not to prioritize our ambitions and our self-assertion, but to adopt a life of humble service. Our Lord reiterates that He Himself "did not come to be served, but to serve," and He upbraids the apostles James and John for their ambitious jockeying for position. Instead, He says, they should attend to their mission as humble servants of the Gospel, and be prepared even to give their very lives for Him.

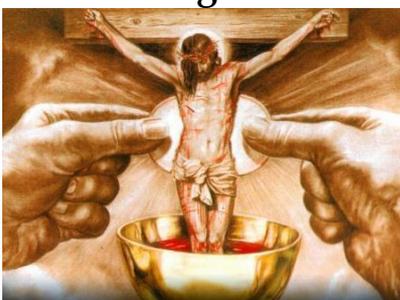
NEXT MAY (HALF-TERM WEEK) I SHALL BE LEADING A DEANERY PILGRIMAGE TO POLAND. This will include time in some beautiful places connected with the life of Pope St John Paul II, especially the city of which he was Archbishop, Kraków, and the striking national shrine to Our Lady in Poland, Częstochowa, where is venerated the famous 'Black Madonna' icon. Additionally we shall get to visit the Divine Mercy basilica at the convent where St Faustina lived; and also have time to see the concentration camp at Auschwitz. It promises to be a most powerful week of pilgrimage, so do think of joining the group. More flyers are now available by the Newsletters, along with booking forms. Please if possible, if you wish to come, get back your booking forms and £200-deposit to Northern Star Travel by 31<sup>st</sup> October.



I SHALL BE AWAY THIS WEEKEND, AND WEEK AHEAD, ON PILGRIMAGE TO THE HOLY LAND. I shall keep you all in my prayers at the Holy Places of Our Lord's life, death and resurrection. Please welcome Fr Stuart Wilson from Allen Hall seminary in London who will celebrate the weekend's Masses. Fr Michael Stewart and Fr Mathew will kindly supply through the weekdays.

**May the Lord give us that faith in Him: the priceless pearl, our greatest treasure! Fr Philip**

**Celebrating the Eucharistic Congress 2018: John Paul II's *Ecclesia de Eucharistia*, 52:**



[A] great responsibility ... belongs to priests in particular for the celebration of the Eucharist. ... I consider it my duty, therefore to appeal urgently that the liturgical norms for the celebration of the Eucharist be observed with great fidelity. ... Liturgy is never anyone's private property, be it of the celebrant or of the community in which the mysteries are celebrated. ... Priests who faithfully celebrate Mass according to the liturgical norms, and communities which conform to those norms, quietly but eloquently demonstrate their love for the Church. ... No one is permitted to undervalue the mystery entrusted to our hands: it is too great for anyone to feel free to treat it lightly and with disregard for its sacredness and its universality.

## PRAYER & LITURGY

**HOLY ROSARY:** In October, the month of the Rosary, one decade of the Rosary is prayed before each Sat evening and Sunday Mass.

**ADORATION/MORNING PRAYER** will not take place next week whilst Fr Philip is away.

**RICHARD PYPER RIP** of Bourne Close, Broxbourne died recently. Our sympathies go out to his family. Provisional date for his funeral: **Tues 30<sup>th</sup> Oct 11am.** *May he rest in peace.*

**WORLD MISSION SUNDAY** is this Sunday, a special day that unites Catholics all over the world in prayer, celebration and care for the family of the Church. Through *Missio*, the Holy Father invites all Catholics to contribute to this work. The envelopes are attached to the newsletter. **The annual special collection will be taken next Sunday, 28<sup>th</sup> October.**

**ALL SAINTS' DAY** is **Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> November** and is a **Holy Day of Obligation**. Mass will be at: 9.30am, 12 noon and 8pm. Ministers of Holy Communion and readers are needed: please sign your name on the lists in the porch.

**FRIDAY PRAYER GROUP:** 3<sup>rd</sup> Friday of each month, 7.30–8.30pm: **next meeting Friday 16<sup>th</sup> November.** A semi-formal hour in the Lady Chapel to reflect together on Sunday Scriptures and bring our needs and prayers to the Lord.

**SUNDAY HOLY HOUR** will next take place on **Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> November at 5pm** with a Scriptural reflection, Adoration, Evening Prayer and Benediction. A truly peaceful hour!

**HOLY FAMILIES**, the diocesan faith-sharing resource is **now available to buy from the back of the church for £3.** The booklet explores themes from the Holy Father's teaching on marriage and the family in *Amoris Laetitia*.

**ALTAR SERVERS:** Children (any age) who have at least made their First Holy Communion and wish to become altar servers, please contact the presbytery so that training can be arranged.

**CELEBRATE WEEKEND** at Loreto College, St Albans **3<sup>rd</sup> - 4<sup>th</sup> Nov.** There will be time and space to encounter Christ's healing touch in Adoration, Reconciliation and Prayer Ministry. For more info and to book go to: <https://www.celebrateconference.org/st-albans>.

**NOVEMBER LIST OF THE DECEASED:** lists for you to write the names of your departed relatives and friends are now attached to the newsletter. Please return the lists to the presbytery, along with any Mass offering. During November the lists will be kept on the altar and at least one Mass a day will be offered for the Holy Souls. Therefore, few other Mass intentions can be taken for November.

**NOVEMBER PRAYERS AT THE CEMETERY:** Fr Philip will lead the annual visit to the cemetery to pray the Rosary for the deceased members of the parish on **Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> Nov.** Please meet inside the main gate at Ware Road at **2pm. (Please note the new earlier time.)**

**DEANERY PILGRIMAGE TO POLAND, 26<sup>th</sup> May–1<sup>st</sup> June 2019** with Fr Philip and Northern Star Travel.\* Price is £700- and further info is available with booking forms by the newsletters. (\* Same operator who took our Fatima trip in 2017.) The pilgrimage will be following in the footsteps of John Paul II and will visit Kraków, Wadowice, Częstochowa and Auschwitz. **The deadline for booking forms is 31<sup>st</sup> October.** Please ring Presbytery, also, to let us know that you are booking.

### **HOUSEBOUND & SICK PARISHIONERS**

*Please pray for our sick parishioners & friends: John Askew, Rosa Augello & Siobhan Fiorentini & Tallulah Scott.*

**PLEASE TELL US IF ANYONE IS HOUSEBOUND, EVEN TEMPORARILY, SO THEY CAN BE VISITED & HAVE THE OPPORTUNITY TO RECEIVE HOLY COMMUNION AT HOME.**

Housebound parishioners may like to know that Mass is regularly broadcast on the internet from the Catholic Church in Bishops Stortford: <http://www.churchservices.tv/bishopsstortford>

**IF YOU GO IN TO HOSPITAL:** Catholics in hospital are unlikely to receive an *automatic* visit from the Catholic Chaplain. If someone is sick in hospital, **please let us know here at the Presbytery, and/or ask the staff on the ward,** so that your loved one can be visited whilst in hospital, and receive Holy Communion and any other Sacraments from the Chaplain.

**Chaplains are: Lister, John O'Neill 01438-285138 or 07876-526935; Princess Alexandra, Fr Leszek Gamracy 01279-426017**

## CATECHETICS

**CONFIRMATION 2019:** The next three meetings are **Tues, 6<sup>th</sup> & 20<sup>th</sup> November & 4<sup>th</sup> Dec 7-8.30pm** for candidates only. Please do not forget to bring your copy of the Gospel of St Mark to each session, and please read ch. 4 in preparation for next time.

**FIRST HOLY COMMUNION PROGRAMME:** a parish volunteer has come forward to lead the **1<sup>st</sup> Holy Communion Preparation for 2019**. We are planning a programme for the parents and children of practising-Catholic children (Yr 3 +), which may begin in January. Application forms will be made available to families at Mass long before then.

**"RCIA"** - 'Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults' is the programme for preparation for adults wishing to become Catholics, or be prepared for the Sacraments of Initiation (Baptism, Confirmation and Holy Communion). **Course continues Mon 29<sup>th</sup> October at 7pm.**

**BAPTISM COURSE:** The next course will be held on **Fri 23<sup>rd</sup> & Tues 27<sup>th</sup> November 7.30-9pm** in the presbytery. The two-evening course must be completed before a Baptism can be arranged. To enrol on the course, please contact the presbytery.

### SCHOOLS/UNDER-5s

**ST AUGUSTINE'S SCHOOL** is holding an Open Day for new parents to Reception class 2019/20 on **Tues 13<sup>th</sup> Nov 9.15am-10.15am** and **Thurs 22<sup>nd</sup> Nov 2-3pm**. To book a place, please contact the school on 463549.

**ST CROSS SCHOOL** is holding an Open Day for new parents to Reception class 2019/20 on **Wed 14<sup>th</sup> Nov 1.45pm** and **Tues 20<sup>th</sup> Nov 9.30am**. To book a place, please contact the school on 467309.

**ST AUGUSTINE'S SCHOOL NURSERY APPLICATIONS:** Nursery applications are open and places will be given on a "first come, first served" basis. Application forms can be picked up at the School Office, by following the link on the home page of the school website or under the 'Admissions' tab. An offer letter will be sent within a week of applications received.

**VACANCIES: FOUNDATION AND PARENT GOVERNORS:** St. Augustine's School are looking for practising Catholics who are willing to join the board of Governors. The roll is a 4-

year tenure and requires attendance at 2 meetings per term. Training is provided. If you are interested, please let Father Philip know. More information can be found at [www.rcdow.org.uk/education/governors/ser-ving-as-a-governor](http://www.rcdow.org.uk/education/governors/ser-ving-as-a-governor). We are also looking for two Parent Governors. Please contact the School Office or our Chair of Governors, Mr. Tackley

**ST CROSS SCHOOL** is holding its fireworks night on **Sat 27<sup>th</sup> Oct**. Adults £8, child £5 and under 4's free. For tickets, please contact [friends@stcross.herts.sch.uk](mailto:friends@stcross.herts.sch.uk)

## JUSTICE & PEACE AND PRO-LIFE

**BROXBOURNE WINTER NIGHT SHELTER:** There will be first-aid training on **Sat 27<sup>th</sup> October** or **Sat 10<sup>th</sup> Nov 9-1.30** at Red Cross centre, Hertford which is optional but recommended. There will be a **full training meeting for all the volunteers** from across the borough for the 7 venues in November: **22<sup>nd</sup> Nov** at St Joseph's, Waltham Cross at either **12-2.30pm** or **7-9.30pm**.

## SOCIAL & MISCELLANEOUS

**PARISH MAGAZINE** in full colour, 60 pages, is now available to buy after all Masses **this weekend**. To cover the cost of printing, the price is £5. You can also purchase it from the Presbytery during the week.

**'WEST END COMES TO HODDESDON':** Stars from the West End are coming together for an evening of performance on **Sat 17<sup>th</sup> Nov** at the Stanborough Conservative Club. All proceeds raised are to help send a young parishioner to Tanzania next summer. Whilst there, she will be working to secure fresh, clean water and shelter for those most in need. Tickets are £15 and will be available to buy after all Masses next weekend.

**HOUSE VISITS:** Fr Philip will continue his house visits in the week after next.

**CHURCH CLEANING:** Michele & Pelle De Luca & Kathleen Connors. Thank you for your help.

**SUNDAY LUNCH:** Fr Philip would like to continue meeting parishioners/families in their homes, as much as possible. Sunday lunch 1.30pm is a good (but by no means only) time. Free dates: 11<sup>th</sup> November.

Masses this week	Today's Liturgy
<b>Sat 20<sup>th</sup> October</b> 9.30am NO Adoration 10am Mass <b>Vincenzo Graffato RIP</b>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>PAGE 146 in the Mass books</b></p> <p><b>1<sup>st</sup> Reading:</b> Isaiah 53: 10–11  <i>If he offers his life in atonement, he shall see his heirs, he shall have a long life.</i></p> <p><b>Psalm 32 —</b> <i>May your love be upon us, O Lord, as we place all our hope in you.</i></p> <p><b>2<sup>nd</sup> Reading:</b> Hebrews 4: 14–16  <i>Let us be confident in approaching the throne of grace.</i></p> <p><b>Gospel Accl:</b> <i>Alleluia, alleluia! I am the Way, the Truth and the Life, says the Lord; no one can come to the Father except through me. Alleluia.</i></p> <p><b>Gospel:</b> Mark 10: 35–45  <i>The Son of Man came to give his life as a ransom for many.</i></p> <p><b>PREFACE TODAY:</b> ad lib.  <b>EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER:</b> ad lib.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>NEXT WEEK'S READINGS</b>  <b>30<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY OF THE YEAR</b></p> <p><b>1<sup>st</sup> Reading:</b> Jeremiah 31: 7–9  <b>2<sup>nd</sup> Reading:</b> Hebrews 5: 1–6  <b>Gospel:</b> Mark 10: 46–52</p>
4.00pm* Italian Mass 6.30pm* Mass <b>For the Parish</b> <b>Sun 21<sup>st</sup> Oct 29<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY OF THE YEAR</b> 9.15am** <b>Patrick White RIP anniv.</b> 11.15am <b>Filippo Adamo RIP</b> ‡	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION (CONFESSION)</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;">Saturday 10.30 – 11am &amp; 5.30 – 6.15pm            Sunday 8.30 – 9am &amp; 10.40 – 11am            or ask Fr Philip at any other time.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>ROSARY</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;">The Rosary is often prayed in the Lady Chapel after weekday Mass and Saturday 10am Mass.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>SACRAMENT OF ANOINTING OF THE SICK</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;">Any parishioner frail through illness or old age, or going into hospital for major surgery, can ask Fr Philip for the Sacrament of Anointing at any time.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;">Catholics must approach their parish priest at least 6 months prior to their intended wedding, and before setting a wedding date.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Westminster Roman Catholic Diocesan Trust</b>  <b>Registered Charity No. 233699</b></p>
<b>Mon 22<sup>nd</sup> October POPE ST JOHN PAUL II</b> 9.15 Mass <b>Rita Keating RIP</b>	
<b>Tues 23<sup>rd</sup> October</b> 9.15am Mass <b>Michael &amp; Vincent Byrne RIP</b>	
<b>Wed 24<sup>th</sup> October</b> 9.15am Mass <b>Kathleen Cobos RIP</b> — followed by coffee in the crypt	
<b>Thurs 25<sup>th</sup> October</b> 9.15am Mass <b>Holy souls in purgatory</b>	
<b>Fri 26<sup>th</sup> October</b> <i>(Abstinence from meat for those aged 14+)</i> 11am Adoration of Blessed Sacrament/11.50 Benediction 12 noon Mass <b>Fr Michael Schrode RIP</b>	
<b>Sat 27<sup>th</sup> October</b> 9.30am Adoration 10am Mass <b>Rosalia DiLena RIP</b>	
4.00pm* Italian Mass 6.30pm* Mass <b>Mary &amp; Harry Pappini RIP</b> <b>Sun 28<sup>th</sup> October 30<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY OF THE YEAR</b> 9.15am** <b>Eileen Carolan RIP anniv.</b> 11.15am <b>For the Parish</b> ‡	
<p style="text-align: center;">* <b>Vigil Mass of Sunday</b>            ** <b>With Children's Liturgy (nursery-age to year 2 only)</b>            ‡ There are also Sunday evening Masses in English in Hertford (6pm) and Waltham Cross (6.30pm)</p>	
<b>REGULAR EVENTS</b>	
<b>Tues 23<sup>rd</sup></b> NO Lunch club, crypt	<b>Wed 24<sup>th</sup></b> 6pm Brownies, crypt

**NEWSLETTER ITEMS TO PRESBYTERY IN WRITING, BY FAX, OR E-MAIL BY 9AM THURS WITH YOUR NAME & PHONE NO. — NEW PARISHIONERS** Please take a parish membership form & information leaflet from the box attached to the notice board. The completed forms should be posted through the presbytery letterbox. **MOVING HOME?** Please post your new details through the presbytery letterbox. **PARROCCHIANI:** *Si pregano tutti i parrocchiani di prendere i questionari (uno per ciascun famiglia) che si trovano vicino al tabellone degli avvisi. Una volta compilati, i questionari devono essere riconsegnati depositandoli nella cassetta della posta vicina alla statua di Sant'Antonio.*