

The Announcer

St Augustine's Catholic Church

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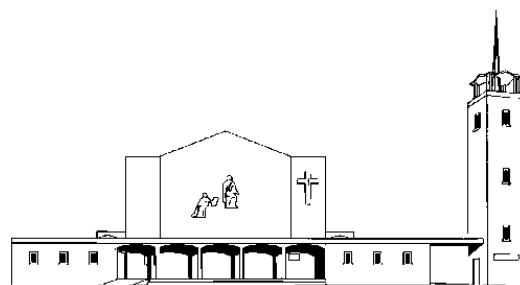
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THIRTY-FIRST SUNDAY OF THE YEAR

4th NOVEMBER 2018

GOSPEL: Mark 12: 28-34

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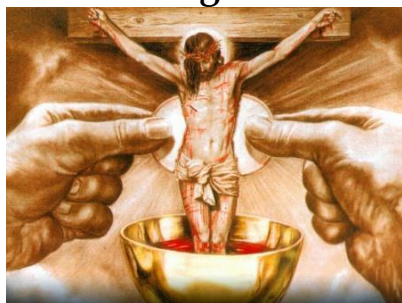
My Dear Parishioners of St Augustine's,

THE MONTH OF NOVEMBER IS THE MONTH OF THE HOLY SOULS, and we remember in a special way throughout the month our deceased loved ones. The names you have submitted on the purple sheets lie on the altar for the Masses of November, and one Mass each day is offered for our dearly departed. It is a very important part of Christian tradition to pray for the dead, a custom going back even to Old Testament times. Almost none of us is ready for heaven at the times of death, and so we need that time in purgatory to be purified. The prayers of the saints, and the prayers of the Church on earth assist our brothers and sisters in purgatory; and the Mass is the most potent prayer, the sacrificial offering of the Son of God Himself. So, please, let's make sure that we offer devotedly Masses and other prayers this month for all those known to us, and to our parish, who have died, that they may come through their time of purgatory and enter into the eternal bliss of heaven. *Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them – may they rest in peace.*

THE DEANERY PILGRIMAGE TO POLAND (half term, May 2019) is open for a little while longer, so consider coming for our 7-day trip to wonderful places in southern Poland. Booking forms available in the church porch, and return to Northern Star Travel a.s.a.p. with the £200 deposit. <http://www.northernstartravel.com/Tour/Poland-by-air-from-Stansted-2> gives the itinerary, which includes places associated with Pope St John Paul II, and also the concentration camp of Auschwitz.

May the Lord bless us all this week, and our loved ones too, both living and dead! Fr Philip

Celebrating the Eucharistic Congress 2018: John Paul II's *Ecclesia de Eucharistia*, 54:



Mysterium fidei! If the Eucharist is a mystery of faith which so greatly transcends our understanding as to call for sheer abandonment to the word of God, then there can be no one like Mary to act as our support and guide in acquiring this disposition. In repeating what Christ did at the Last Supper in obedience to his command: "Do this in memory of me!", we also accept Mary's invitation to obey him without hesitation: "Do whatever he tells you." With the same maternal concern which she showed at the wedding feast of Cana, Mary seems to say to us: "Do not waver; trust in the words of my Son. If he was able to change water into wine, he can also turn bread and wine into his body and blood, and through this mystery bestow on believers the living memorial of his Passover, thus becoming the 'bread of life'".



PRAYER & LITURGY

WE WELCOME INTO THE CHURCH

Leontino Kitipos and Luna Crimauco who will be baptised this weekend.

CHRISTOPHER AYERST RIP of Stafford Drive, Broxbourne died recently. Our sympathies go out to his family. His funeral will take place on **Wed 7th November at 2pm.**

GUERINO SANTANIELLO RIP of Grenville Avenue, Broxbourne died recently. Our sympathies go out to his family. His funeral will take place on **Mon 12th November at 11am.**

May they rest in peace.

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 4th Nov.** Please meet inside the main gate at Ware Road at **2pm. (Please note the new earlier time.)**

NOVEMBER LIST OF THE DECEASED:

purple sheets for you to write the names of your departed relatives and friends are available in the porch. 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.

MASS FOR THE DECEASED OF THE PAST YEAR: Sat 17th November, 6.30pm

Mass will be a special Mass at which we remember and pray for the deceased of the past 12 months. Written invitations have been sent to the bereaved families of those whose funerals have been celebrated here in the parish, but all who have lost a dear one in the past year may wish to make this their Sunday Mass next weekend.

FRIDAY PRAYER GROUP: 3rd Friday of each month, 7.30-8.30pm: **next meeting Friday 16th 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 18th 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.

'INSTRUCTIONS FOR MY FUNERAL MASS' leaflets are available beside the newsletters at the back of church if you wish to complete one. Please hand in a photocopy to the presbytery.

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/bishopstortford>

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, 6th & 20th November & 4th 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 **1st 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 5th November at 7pm.**

BAPTISM COURSE: The next course will be held on **Fri 23rd & Tues 27th Nov 7.30-9pm** in the presbytery. The two-evening course must be completed before a Baptism can be arranged. To enrol on the course, 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 13th Nov 9.15am-10.15am** and **Thurs 22nd 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 14th Nov 1.45pm** and **Tues 20th 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 is looking for practising Catholics who are willing to join the board of Governors. The role 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. We are also looking for two Parent Governors. Please contact the School Office or the Chair of Governors, Mr. Tackley

QUIZ NIGHT: St Augustine's Under 5's are holding a quiz night in the crypt on **Sat 10th Nov 7.30pm** for 8pm start. Tickets are £5 per person. Please contact the playgroup on 460614

JUSTICE & PEACE AND PRO-LIFE

BROXBOURNE WINTER NIGHT SHELTER: There will be first-aid training on **Sat 10th 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 on **22nd November at St Joseph's, Waltham Cross** at either 12-2.30pm or 7-9.30pm.

TRAIDCRAFT: Maria Hunt is happy to take orders for Christmas cards etc. up until **4th Nov**. Please email maria.hunt2@ntlworld.com or ring/text 07790-453378.

SOCIAL & MISCELLANEOUS

PARISH MAGAZINE is still available to buy from the presbytery during the week for £5.

HOUSE VISITS: Fr Philip will be making house visits this week on **Mon afternoon** in the following roads: Stockfield Ave., Ditchfield Rd.

'WEST END COMES TO HODDESDON': Stars from the West End are coming together for an evening of performance on **Sat 17th Nov 7pm** 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.**

ISABEL HOSPICE CHRISTMAS COLLECTION will be held at Tesco, Brookfield on **Wed 5th and Thurs 6th Dec 10-6pm**. Collectors are urgently wanted. If you can help please contact Ellen on 464677.

MILLY'S CHARITY WEEKEND will be held on the **1st / 2nd Dec**. If you would like to have a stall, please contact Mary Briggs on 534891.

CHURCH CLEANING: Filomena Mezzullo, Elizabeth Nsonwah & Tony & Linda Barrell. 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: 11th & 25th November.

PRAYER OF ST GERTRUDE FOR THE HOLY SOULS

Eternal Father, I offer You the most precious blood of Thy Divine Son, Jesus, in union with the Masses aid throughout the world today, for all the Holy Souls in Purgatory, for sinners everywhere, for sinners in the Universal Church, for those in my own home and in my family. Amen.

Masses this week	Today's Liturgy				
Sat 3rd November 9.30am Adoration 10am Mass <i>Holy Souls</i>	<p style="text-align: center;">PAGE 152 in the Mass books</p> <p>1st Reading: Deuteronomy 6: 2–6 <i>Listen, Israel: You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart.</i></p> <p>Psalm 17— <i>I love you, Lord, my strength.</i></p> <p>2nd Reading: Hebrews 7: 23–28 <i>Because he remains for ever, Christ can never lose his priesthood.</i></p> <p>Gospel Accl: <i>Alleluia, alleluia! Your words are spirit, Lord, and they are life: you have the message of eternal life. Alleluia.</i></p> <p>Gospel: Mark 12: 28–34 <i>This is the first commandment. The second is like it.</i></p> <p>PREFACE TODAY: Sundays no. 7 (p. 55) EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER: no. 2 (p. 24)</p> <p style="text-align: center;">NEXT WEEK'S READINGS 32nd SUNDAY OF THE YEAR</p> <p>1st Reading: 1 Kings 17: 10–16 2nd Reading: Hebrews 9: 24–28 Gospel: Mark 12: 38–44</p>				
4.00pm* Italian Mass 6.30pm* Mass <i>Bill Pollard RIP</i> Sun 4th Nov 31st SUNDAY OF THE YEAR 9.15am** <i>Pietro di Leto RIP</i> 11.15am <i>Holy Souls</i> 5pm Latin Mass <i>For the Parish</i> ‡	<p style="text-align: center;">SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION (CONFESSION)</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Saturday 10.30 – 11am & 5.30 – 6.15pm Sunday 8.30 – 9am & 10.40 – 11am or ask Fr Philip at any other time.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">ROSARY</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;">SACRAMENT OF ANOINTING OF THE SICK</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;">SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE</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;">Westminster Roman Catholic Diocesan Trust Registered Charity No. 233699</p>				
Mon 5th November 8.15am Adoration 9am Morning Prayer 9.15 Mass <i>Holy Souls</i> Tues 6th November 8.15am Adoration 9am Morning Prayer 11am Funeral <i>Holy Souls</i>					
Wed 7th November 8.15am Adoration 9am Morning Prayer 9.15am Mass <i>Holy Souls</i> — followed by coffee in the crypt 2pm Funeral <i>Christopher Ayerst RIP</i> Thurs 8th November 9.15am Mass <i>Holy Souls</i>					
Fri 9th Nov THE DEDICATION OF THE LATERAN BASILICA <i>(Abstinence from meat for those aged 14+)</i> 11am Adoration of Blessed Sacrament/11.50 Benediction 12 noon Mass <i>Holy Souls</i> Sat 10th November ST LEO THE GREAT, Pope & Dr 9.30am Adoration 10am Mass <i>Holy Souls</i> 4.00pm* Italian Mass 6.30pm* Mass <i>For the Parish</i>	<p style="text-align: center;">REGULAR EVENTS</p> <table border="0" style="width: 100%;"> <tr> <td style="width: 50%;">Tues 6th 12.30pm Lunch club, crypt</td> <td style="width: 50%;">Wed 7th 6pm Brownies, crypt</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Tues 6th 7pm Confirmation, crypt</td> <td>Fri 9th 7.30pm Baptism course, presb.</td> </tr> </table>	Tues 6th 12.30pm Lunch club, crypt	Wed 7th 6pm Brownies, crypt	Tues 6th 7pm Confirmation, crypt	Fri 9th 7.30pm Baptism course, presb.
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<p>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: <i>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.</i></p>					