The Catholic Parishes of Buntingford and Old Hall Green & Puckeridge

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The Twenty Seventh Sunday of the Year 6th October 2024

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The Holy Spirit draws us each Sunday to this holy place. We gather together as the body of Christ to celebrate the Eucharist. We pray that we may be made worthy of the call we received in baptism to witness to God's saving power in what we say and what we do. As we hear from the author of Hebrews today, we have been consecrated in the Lord, and in fact have been made the Lord's brothers and sisters. Let us raise our voices in song and prayer as sisters and brothers of our Saviour.

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MASS TIMES AND INTENTIONS THIS WEEK



Sunday 6th October **Twenty Seventh Sunday of the Year** 9.15am People of the Parish
11:00am People of the Parish

Sunday 13th October 9.15am People of the Parish
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All Masses are celebrated in the Church of St Richard of Chichester, Buntingford

Prayer Intentions. At this time of the year 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: Maralyn Haughton,
For those who have died recently: Samantha Dreelen

THANK YOU VERY MUCH

Thank you for last week's offertory collection, which came to £181.45, and for your regular standing orders.

Refreshments after Mass. There will be refreshments after the 9.15am Mass this Sunday morning as usual. If you attend the 11.00 Mass, you are invited to come early so that you can join us before Mass. We look forward to seeing you there.

Columban Fathers. We welcome Fr Tom Ryan from the Columban Fathers to celebrate Mass with us this Sunday. He will be making an appeal for your support for the work they are doing all round the world. Please keep them in your prayers this year and give generously if you can. Details of their work can be found here Columban Fathers - Missionary Society of St. Columban

Harvest Offering. As part of our parish's celebration of the Harvest Festival this year we are collecting contributions of non-perishable foods this weekend. With your help we hope to make a generous donation of food to the Buntingford Food Bank.

Harvest Lunch. Thank you to those parishioners who have agreed to represent St Richard's at the lunch hosted by this Sunday by the URC church in their hall on Baldock Road. This a small but important part of our work to rebuild our relationships with other Christian communities in our area.

The Middle East. Cardinal Vincent Nichols has called for a day of Prayer and Fasting for peace in Lebanon, Israel and Gaza on Monday 7th October. It is the Feast of Our Lady of the Rosary so he has suggested that we should each take time to pray the rosary that day.

Mass Intentions. If you would like a Mass Offered for an Intention, please write the details on an envelope along with your Offering and hand it in at the Sacristy after Mass. Deacon Paul will be able to arrange a suitable date for you.

Sacraments. Today is the final (extended) deadline for applications to join the First Communion Preparation for the Celebration Next Year.

Parishioners Details Forms. We are collecting the details of our parishioners so that we can keep in contact with you. Please take one light blue form per household from the porch to complete and hand it in to Deacon Paul next week.

Volunteers. Thank you to all those who have stepped forward over the last few weeks to serve the parish by joining rotas for reading, counting, collecting supply priests, serving tea and coffee, cleaning the church. There is, however, always room for more so please speak to Deacon Paul if you would like to help.

The celebration of a weekly Mass at 7.30pm on a Tuesday evening will commence on Tuesday 15th October.