

Parish News

Collection 30 October 2022 amounted to £1,620.37. Standing orders for October amounted to £3,814.00. Thank you.

CAFOD Collection. The amount of £771.46 was raised from the recent collection in the parish for the *CAFOD* Family Fast Day/ World Food Crisis Appeal 2022. Thank you for your generosity.

The Sick & Retired Priests' collection. Thank you for so generously supporting the Sick & Retired Priests' Fund collection last weekend. Our priests give us years of dedicated service and it is only right that, together, we ensure they live out their days with the care they need. If you didn't get the chance to donate, it's not too late. Envelopes are still available at the back of the church. You can give online at www.rcdow.org.uk/donations. Please keep our sick and retired priests in your prayers.

Building Works. Now that the scaffolding has come down, I hope you are all pleased by the newly redecorated front of the church and the Cross on the tower. It is good that we can boldly proclaim the love of God shown to us by the Cross of Jesus Christ. These works are made possible by the generosity of your giving. Thank you.

Nursery, Infant, and Primary School Applications. Today Sunday 13 November from 4:30pm - 6:00pm, Mgr Roger will sign the Certificate of Catholic Practice for Nursery, Infant, and Primary School Applications. You will be seen on a 'first come, first served basis.' Meetings will take place in the Sacristy. Before your appointment please complete a CCP Application form, and a Certificate of Catholic Practice form for each school you are applying for (top half of each certificate should be pre-completed). These forms can be found on our parish website at: <https://parish.rcdow.org.uk/willesdengreen/certificate-of-catholic-practice-applications/>

Mass of Remembrance, for all those whose funerals have taken place in the parish, particularly in the past year, will be celebrated at 7:30pm on Thursday 17 November. All are welcome to come and offer the greatest prayer we have—the Mass—for their deceased loved ones.

Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist. There will be an afternoon refresher and formation session in the church for current and new ministers on Saturday 19 November at 2:30pm. It will be led by Mary Crowley from the Agency of Evangelisation.

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA). If you are an adult who is not Catholic, or who has not made their Confirmation, and would like to be prepared for the sacraments in the RCIA process, please contact Fr Allan: allanalvarado@rcdow.org.uk

Parish Database. All parishioners, both old and new, should complete a parish registration form. If you have registered previously, and your personal contact information has changed, please complete another form as General Data Protection Regulations requires us to ensure all data held is up to date and accurate. Registration forms can be found in the rack in the side porch or at the back of the church. Completed forms should be posted through the door of the Presbytery. Thank you.

Funeral Notice

The Reception and Requiem Mass of the late Stephen Sweeney will take place on Wednesday 16 November at 6:30pm followed by repatriation to Ireland

May he rest in peace

Diocesan News

The Holy Father's Prayer Intention for November 2022. For children who suffer: We pray for children who are suffering, especially those who are homeless, orphans, and victims of war; may they be guaranteed access to education and the opportunity to experience family affection.

World Day of the Poor. Today Sunday 13 November is the sixth World Day of the Poor, with the theme of "For your sakes Christ became poor" (2 Cor 8:9). Pope Francis, in his message for the day, laments that just as the world was emerging from the "tempest of the pandemic", a new catastrophe appeared on the horizon: the Russian invasion of Ukraine and the brutal war which has followed. The war has displaced millions of Ukrainian people causing global economic turbulence, food shortages and rising energy costs which will affect the poorest this winter.

Operation Elf is the campaign by *PACT*, the Prison Advice and Care Trust, to enable prisoners to give a Christmas gift to their child. This year they are asking supporters to buy a gift card with a £15 value only. If you want to donate more please buy multiples of £15 cards. A good choice is a One4All gift card from the Post Office or online which can be used in lots of shops. No e-cards or e-vouchers as these are difficult to distribute. All cards need to reach *PACT* by 30 November ready for Christmas Family Visit days in December. Please send to: Operation Elf, Pact, 29 Peckham Road, London SE5 8UA.

SVP. The SVP are distributing over 10,000 Vinnie Packs containing cold weather essentials to the homeless this winter. Please could you consider sponsoring packs at a suggested donation of £4.10 per pack? Donations can be sent to Vinnie Packs, PO Box 72264, London SW1P 9EZ with cheques made out to *SVP* or by bank transfer to NatWest sort code 60-60-04, account no. 46088237. Thank you so much for your support.

Mass Intentions

Week commencing 13 November 2022

Saturday	6:30pm	Brendan Howard	Anniv
Sunday	9:00am	Muriel & George Wilson	Anniv
	10:30am	Michael & Nora Macken	Anniv
	12 noon	Solemn Requiem for the Fallen	RIP
	6:30pm	People of the Parish	Ints
Monday	9:30am	Carmel Feury	RIP
Tuesday	9:30am	Holy Souls	RIP
Wednesday	9:30am	Holy Souls	RIP
	6:30pm	Funeral - Stephen Sweeney	RIP
Thursday	9:30am	Carmen Thomas	RIP
Friday	9:30am	Holy Souls	RIP
Saturday	9:30am	Holy Souls	RIP