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MASSES AND INTENTIONS

26th October to 3rd November 2024

Sat 26th October

10am to 10:45am Confessions

6pm Mass: Blake Lyndon Bunting-Gray, anniv.

CLOCKS GO BACK

Sun 27th Oct 30th Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:30am Latin Mass: The faithful of the parish 10:30am Mass: Guy Moliterno, anniv

5pm Kerala Mass

Tue 29th October

6:30pm Mass: YB

7:15pm Unlocking the Bible

Wed 30th October

10am Mass: Isabella Gray and family

Thu 31st October

10am Mass:

7pm the Alpha Course

Friday 1st Nov Solemnity of All Saints A Holy Day of Obligation

10am Mass: *Peace in the World* 7pm Mass

Sat 2nd Nov All Souls

10am Mass: The Holy Souls 6pm Mass: Philip Brady, birthday

Sun 3rd Nov 31st Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:30am Latin Mass: The faithful of the parish

10:30am Mass: *TBA* 5pm Kerala Mass

SUNDAY'S RESPONSORIAL PSALM

May your love be upon us, O Lord, as we place all our hope in you.

PARISH CHRISTMAS FAIR 2024

Please starting bringing in items for the Parish Christmas Fair, there is a box at the back of the church for items such as bottles, cans of beer, toiletries etc. or give to Fr Richard

If you can help on the day or run a stall on Saturday 30th November please contact Rachel Kirkham on 01234 314093.

CHRISTMAS FAIR MAIN RAFFLE TICKETS

The parish's Main raffle tickets are available from this weekend. £200 1st Prize, £100 2nd Prize and £50 3rd prize plus many other prizes.

Envelopes containing some books of raffle tickets will be given out after Masses this weekend. We ask you to sell as many books of tickets amongst your friends and family and return the stubs and monies ASAP. The draw will take place at our Christmas Fair on 30th November 2024.

UNLOCKING THE BIBLE

An engaging journey through the Bible, which sets in relief the big narrative in the Scriptures. Each part has a 27minute video

PARISH FORUM

The next Forum takes place on Sunday 10th November. Please let Fr R have any items for the agenda.

NOVEMBER DEAD LIST

If you would like Masses offered for deceased family members or friends, there are envelopes available at the back of the church. Please write down the names of those you would like to be on our November Dead List and place these in the envelope.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY

Last Week's Collections - £545.82

LATIN MASS OF REPARATION FOR ABORTION

Holy Child and St Joseph's, Saturday 9th November, 12 noon, rare opportunity to attend High Mass. Music by the Southwell Consort, a group of professional singers. Refreshments afterwards. All welcome.

CHISEN FOUNDATION – THANK YOU

Thank you to all those who supported our recent Chisen fundraising Quiz night. We raised a magnificent £1212.50. Sincere thanks to you all.

NORTHAMPTON MISSION CONFERENCE 2024

This takes place at Woburn Sands parish on Saturday 2nd November, 10:30am to 4pm. You are invited to take part.

The event is free, but please register through the Diocesan website & a bring packed lunch.

THE NIGHT OF LIGHT

Thursday evening this week is the eve of All Hallows. It would be good to have the church open for a while on this special evening, which is so important to the life of the Church. Would you be able to facilitate this? Please contact Fr R, who is helping to host Alpha on that evening and won't be available otherwise.

FIRST COMMUNION ENROLMENT

We will enrol the children whose parents wish them to prepare for the First Sacraments at Sunday Masses on 16th/17th November. These families will then become part of our preparation process. Fr R will give the Enrolment Rite to families before the Masses start. Also, we are holding an activity for the group in church on Saturday 9th November at 3pm (one hour). Parents need to accompany your children for this activity.

CHRISTMAS MASS TIMES

At the recent Liturgy group meeting we considered Christmas and are happy to continue the times from recent Christmases: Christmas Eve: 5pm & 9pm Christmas Day: 10am

HOLY YEAR 2025

In looking to see how we can better celebrate the Holy Year, let us remember these words from Pope Francis' first Encyclical Letter:

"A Church which "goes forth" is a Church whose doors are open. Going out to others in order to reach the fringes of humanity does not mean rushing out aimlessly into the world.

Often it is better simply to slow down, to put aside our eagerness in order to see and listen to others, to stop rushing from one thing to another and to remain with someone who has faltered along the way.

At times we have to be like the father of the prodigal son, who always keeps his door open so that when the son returns, he can readily pass through it." (Evangelii Gaudium, paragraph 46)

YOU CAN HELP YOUR MARRIAGE

Are you frustrated or angry with your spouse? Do you argue ... or have stopped talking all together?

Retrouvaille helps married couples through difficult times. Register now for next programme starting 8th - 10th Nov. Call 0788 7296983 or

Email: retrouvailleukinfo@gmail.com www.retrouvaille.org.uk





OCTOBER DEVOTIONS TO OUR LADY

As our October Devotions to Our Lady draw to a close, we thank her for placing our prayers and petitions before Jesus Christ her son.

Our God is only ever a thought away and our prayers through the intercession of Our Blessed Lady of The Rosary, provide us with , comfort in sorrow, help in times of great trial and joy in times of celebration and thanksgiving..

As parishioners, Parents and Grandparents, it is more important than ever that we teach and encourage our children to foster their love of God and belief in his teaching through the praying The Rosary.

Please take a copy of our "Children's Prayers, Booklet", to enable our Children take their first steps, in learning to pray The Rosary and receive the immeasurable blessings that this wonderful gift can bring, throughout their lives.

Turn then Oh gracious Advocate thine eyes of mercy towards us and after this our exile, show unto us the blessed fruit of thy womb Jesus.

Pray for us oh Holy Mother of God, that we may be worthy of the promises of Christ . Amen.