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MASSES AND INTENTIONS

2nd to 10th November 2024

Sat 2nd Nov All Souls

10am – 10:45am Confessions 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: Peace in the world

5pm Kerala Mass

Tue 5th Nov

6:30pm Mass: *YB*

7:15pm Unlocking the Bible

Wed 6th Nov

10am Mass: Dead List

Thu 7th Nov

10am Mass: *Dead List* 7pm the Alpha Course

Fri 8th Nov

11am - 11:45am Exposition and Confessions 12 noon Mass: *Dead List*

Sat 9th Nov Dedication of the Lateran Basilica

10am to 10:45am Confessions

12 noon Wedding of Mathew and Antonia 6pm Mass: Robert and Benoite Houeto,

Mesmin and Nestor Houeto, anniv.

Sun 10th Nov 32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

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

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

SUNDAY'S RESPONSORIAL PSALM

I love you, Lord, my strength.

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.

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 - £567.84

MISSIO RED BOXES

The recent opening of the boxes that you hold, raised £330.00, which has been sent directly to 'Missio'. Thank you.

UNLOCKING THE BIBLE

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

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.

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

ALL SOULS

Prayers and remembrance at Elstow Abbey Sunday November 3rd at 6:30pm. Faure's Requiem will be sung by Elstow Abbey Choir. All welcome.

CONVERSATION 2024

Thanks to those who have made some response to the Conversation 2024 sheets. These responses are very helpful and we look forward to engaging in Conversation 2024 at the parish Forum.

CHILDREN'S LITURGY AT 10:30AM MASS

We hope to have this available soon, once all the background preparations are in place. The plan is to offer this facility. through parents, to children who are in Years 2. 3. and 4. We will use the Mark10Mission resource. The Children's Liturgy will take place at the 10.30am Mass on all Sundays except during school holidays, and will take place in the Parish Room, through the sacristy. Parents are advised not to let your children come to the Children's Liturgy carrying mobile phones or any valuables. Parents are also encouraged to sign up through the leaders - Edwin, Cijo, and Tanya. Parents are also encouraged to offer yourselves as new leaders or assistants for this initiative.

PARISH FORUM

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

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)

FIRST COMMUNION ENROLMENT

We will enrol the children whose parents wish 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.

