

**St Augustine's Catholic Church
High Wycombe**

Twenty-Fourth Sunday of the Year (A)

13 September 2020

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MASS INTENTIONS

Sunday 13 Sept - Twenty-Fourth Sunday of the Year (A)

Day of Prayer for those involved in Education

09am Stella Downes RIP
11am Martin Stokes-RIP & Stokes Family
6pm People of the Parish

Monday 14 Sept - *The Exaltation of the Holy Cross*

9.30am Michael Lew RIP-Anniv

Tuesday 15 Sept - *Our Lady of Sorrows*

9.30am Stella Downes RIP

**Wednesday 16 Sept - *SS Cornelius, Pope
& Cyprian, Bishop. Martyrs***

09.30am Foundation Mass - Fair

Thursday 17 Sept -

09.30am Thanksgiving

Friday 18 Sept -

09.30am James O'Hara

Saturday 19 Sept - *St Theodore of Canterbury, Bishop*

09.30am Foundation Mass - Rutledge

Sunday 20 Sept - Twenty-Fifth Sunday of the Year (A)

09am People of the Parish
11am Michael McDonagh
6pm Tony Braganza & Agnes D'Souza

Psalm response

The Lord is compassion and love,
Slow to anger and rich in mercy.

Gospel acclamation

Alleluia, Alleluia!

I give you a new commandment:
love one another, just as I have loved you,
says the Lord.
Alleluia!

Acc: 1. We proclaim your Death, O Lord,
and profess your Resurrection until you
come again.

**CONFESSIONS - Please ring to make an
appointment.**

**THE CHURCH IS OPEN FOR PRIVATE
PRAYER SUNDAYS BETWEEN 3PM AND
5PM.**

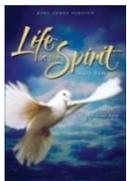
WE WELCOME Oliver Goodchild who will be Baptised later today.

FIRST CONFESSIONS: The First Confessions will take place on Saturdays throughout September with small groups. Each child has been allocated a time for this. **If you have not received the e mail please give me a call.**

FIRST COMMUNION 2021: The start of this programme has been delayed due to the late running of the 2020 programme. Where we would normally have been inviting applications for places on the programme through the Summer, this will most probably be done now in December or January. Keep an eye on the Newsletter for information.

PRAYING WITH THE PSALMS: We read frequently in the Gospels that Jesus went away to pray. His own prayer would very often have been using the Psalms. So when we pray the Psalms we are praying not only in the same way, but using the same words that Jesus Himself used. To help us understand the Psalms I hope to have a series of short talks on our You-Tube Channel dealing with one Psalm at a time, beginning by reading the Psalm and following up with a commentary on it. The aim is to help people to know, love and use these beautiful prayers which speak to us in all manner of situations in our lives. With this technology it will mean that instead of calling people to come to a particular time and place, we will be reaching a wider audience.
We hope to begin this in October.

PRIVATE PRAYER IN THE CHURCH: Please note that, because of the **First Confessions, in September** the Church will only be open for private prayer and lighting of candles on **Sunday afternoons 3PM-5PM.**



LIFE IN THE SPIRIT ZOOM COURSE: continues on Thursday at 7.45. For the log-in codes please visit:

<https://northamptondiocese.org/lifeinthespirit>

FACE-COVERINGS: Please be aware that some form of face-covering is now required for those coming to take part in church services.

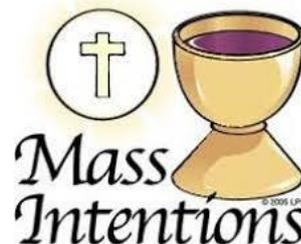


CLEANING OF CHURCH AFTER MASS.

A very big thank you to all who help in this work. I know it only takes a few minutes, but it is very much appreciated. It is work that all parishioners who are healthy and active should really be helping with from time to time. The anti-bac sprays and cloths are kept on the tables at the back - and gloves are available if required. Spraying and wiping-down of chairs and surfaces that are touched needs to be done after every event in the church. So, please, rather than leave it all to the same few people, find a Sunday somewhere where you can lend a hand!

MASS INTENTIONS:

If you want to book a Mass Intention please try to avoid coming to the Sacristy after Mass. If possible it is better to do this by coming to the Presbytery at another convenient time, or you could phone or e-mail and drop the Mass Offering off through the letterbox at a time that suits you.



BOOKING PLACES AT MASS: Please continue to book places, for the time being, at the Sunday morning Masses, and if you wish to have seats placed together for a couple or a family, at the Sunday evening Mass. Please do this each week, because if some people just want to be automatically booked in week after week there will inevitably come a time when I will forget to transfer someone's name! If you book by e mail, you may assume that all is well if there is no reply. I will definitely answer if there should be a problem!

Please remember to use hand sanitizer on entering and leaving the church, and to keep proper social distancing at all times within the building. **NB: There are for the present no toilet facilities available in the church.**

We will continue live-streaming the Mass on You Tube certainly for the duration of the crisis.

9am on Sunday. 9.30am Weekdays

PARISH FINANCE: A big thank you to all those who have found various means of supporting the parish financially during these months. Like many households the parish has suffered a severe fall in income - no caviar for the Parish Priest! A thank you also to those who are able to continue making contributions. If your income has been so reduced that you are unable to do this, then please do pray for the Parish and the work of the Parish. If you are coming to church and are able to contribute the collection baskets will be out every day for any offerings (not that you are expected to make an offering every day if you are coming to daily Mass!!)

If you wish, you may set up a weekly / monthly Standing Order through your bank.

Our parish account details are as follows:

Bank: **NatWest**

Sort Code: **60-06-11**

Account Name: **46714707**

Account Name: **RCDN St. Augustine's Catholic Church, High Wycombe**

Payment Ref: **Please enter your name.**

(Please be sure to reference with your Surname and Initials, so that we can identify who it is from, for Gift aid purposes).

SOCIAL EVENTS: For the present no Social Events are taking place - not even the tea and coffee after Mass.

There is presently no use of the Upper Room.

ON 5 AUGUST POPE FRANCIS called on the Church to reflect on our current situation. In response, the diocesan **Pastoral Ministry Office** is hosting a series of online webinars on **Monday** evenings through the autumn. **We begin on 21 September with Bishop David** reflecting on the last six months, and posing some key questions as we go forward. Other topics include reaching out to the need, building community, prayer and spirituality, and catechesis. The webinars are free to attend, but you will need to register to receive the web link. For more information and to register, please go to:

<https://postlockdownchurch.eventbrite.co.uk>.

CAFOD are taking part in a nationwide Coronavirus appeal. For more information visit CAFOD's website -

www.cafod.org.uk/coronavirus.

PILGRIMAGE OF REPARATION & PRAYER FOR THE SANCTITY OF LIFE TO WALSINGHAM (37TH YEAR) - SUNDAY, 27TH SEPTEMBER 2020

Virtual Pilgrimage led by Bishop Marcus Stock of Leeds.

Online participation is through:

<https://www.walsingham.org.uk/live-stream/>

or:

<https://www.youtube.com/WalsinghamCatholicTV>

Further information can be found at: www.prolifepilgrimage.org

WYCOMBE HOMELESS CONNECTION'S BIG SLEEPOUT 2020: AT HOME is here!

We need more people than ever to swap their beds for sleeping bags and sleep out in solidarity with the people we serve. It's on **Friday 20 November**. We're asking people to sleep out '**at home**' rather than gather at large venues. Everything you need to know is on our website and registration is now open or give us a call on 01494 447699 to find out more. www.wyhoc.org.uk/bigsleepout2020

TOUR OF THE HOLY LAND

Wednesday **10 March - Friday 19 March 2021**. Cost £1845 per person. Led by David & Nabs Camp. For full details go to: www.christian-travel.com and enter the date of the tour.

Of your Mercy.... Please pray for Martin Dewey who has died. Please keep him and his family in your prayers.

Eternal rest grant to them, O Lord....

ANNIVERSARIES: Henryk Pregle, Edwina Byrne, Edward Bily, Bernadina Tonna, Winifred Holland, Brendan McGlinchy, Stanley Wright, Anne Barnes, Merlyn Gomez, Bob Abraham, Luise Curry, Lily O'Sullivan, Mary Elliott, Anne Bellew, Gidio Iafrate, Charles Winter-Taylor, Doreen Cope.

DIARY OF EVENTS

2020

- 26 Sep - Ordination of Fr. Daniel Rooke
- 27 Sep - Harvest Mass at 11am
- 04 Oct - CAFOD (Harvest Fast Day Fri. 2 Oct)
- 01 Nov - All Saints (Holy Day)
- 02 Nov - All Souls
- 08 Nov - Remembrance Sunday-
Requiem for the Fallen (11am)
- 22 Nov - Our Lord Jesus Christ, Universal King

Useful Websites:

- <https://northamptondiocese.org>
- <http://www.catholicreadings.org>
- <http://www.heavensroadfm.com>
- <http://www.walsingham.org.uk>
- <https://www.cbcew.org.uk>
- <https://northamptondiocese.org/donate/>
- <http://cafod.org.uk/coronavirus>

PRAYER TO ST MICHAEL

Holy Michael, the Archangel
Defend us in the day of battle.
Be our safeguard against the
wickedness and snares of the
devil. May God rebuke him, we
humbly pray, and do thou, O
prince of the Heavenly Host, by
the power of God, thrust down to
hell Satan and all the wicked spirits
who wander through the world for
the ruin of souls.
Amen.