

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

Twenty-Fifth Sunday of the Year (A)

20 September 2020

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MASS INTENTIONS

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

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

Monday 21 Sept - St Matthew, Apostle & Evangelist

9.30am Andrea Daniel RIP-Anniv

Tuesday 22 Sept -

9.30am The Unborn

Wednesday 23 Sept - St Pio of Pietrelcina, Priest

09.30am Thanksgiving

Thursday 24 Sept - Our Lady of Walsingham

09.30am Bernard Cullen RIP

Friday 25 Sept -

09.30am Irene Harkness RIP

Saturday 26 Sept -

09.30am

Sunday 27 Sept - Twenty-Sixth Sunday of the Year (A)

09am People of the Parish
11am Philomena Doherty
6pm Stella Fernandes & Christopher D'Souza

Psalm response

The Lord is close to all who call him.

Gospel acclamation

Alleluia, Alleluia!
Blessings on the King who comes,
in the name of the Lord!
Peace in heaven
and glory in the highest heavens!
Alleluia!

Acc: 2. When we eat this Bread and drink
this Cup, we proclaim your Death O Lord,
until you come again

CONFESSIONS - Please ring to make an
appointment.

**THE CHURCH IS OPEN FOR PRIVATE
PRAYER AND LIGHTING OF CANDLES ON
SATURDAY & SUNDAY BETWEEN 3PM
AND 5PM.**

Please keep **DEACON DANIEL** in your prayers. He will be ordained Priest next Saturday at his home parish in Bedford.

DURING THE PANDEMIC there has not been a chance to take any second/retiring collections for the good causes. Next Sunday there is a retiring collection for **PETERS PENCE**. There will be a basket at all exits for this, or you can donate online as long as you annotate it for: **ST AUGUSTINE'S HIGH WYCOMBE/PETERS PENCE**

FURTHER RETIRING COLLECTIONS ARE:

11 Oct. CAFOD Fast Day
18 Oct. World Mission
02 Nov. Holy Places

ANNUAL MASS COUNT: Today and for the next three Sundays every Catholic Church in England & Wales will count the congregation at Mass.

WE WELCOME Georgina-Rose McDonnell who will be Baptised later today.

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:

The Church will be open for private prayer and lighting of candles on **Saturday & Sunday between 3PM-5PM.**

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

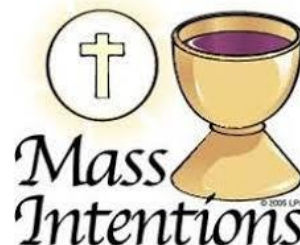


CLEANING OF CHURCH AFTER MASS.

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.

ON MONDAY 28 SEPTEMBER, please pray and fast for the end of abortion and euthanasia in this Country. Your prayer and fasting is urgently needed as last year this country saw the highest number of abortions ever. For details of our live saving work see www.GoodCounselNetwork.com

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 and James O'Hara, who have died. Please keep them and their families in your prayers. Both funerals have been arranged.

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

ANNIVERSARIES: Franz Mitterhuber, Mida Broderick, Terri Ball, Andrea Daniel, John Kelly, Trevor Perkins, Ann Ridge, Christopher Mawhood, Frankie Swarbrick, Carmen Coward, Ferruccio Felisi.

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.

