Saint Wulstan & Saint Thomas of Canterbury Vale Road, Stourport-on-Severn

The Holy Family Church High Street, Bewdley



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Sunday Lectionary Year C Weekdays Cycle 1

Twenty-fifth Sunday of the Year

Day of Prayer for the Harvest

22nd September 2019 Psalter Week 1

The Parish Pilgrimage to Walsingham was very successful. Thank you to everyone who helped organise the trip and to everyone who went; thanks also to all of you who prayed for us.

> The external/security lighting at Holy Family has been repaired and updated. My thanks to Howard Rimmer for supervising this.

Today there is a second collection for <u>Fr Hudson's Care</u>: gift aid envelopes are available

The Friends of the Holy Land would like to thank those who came to the Fashion Show last Sunday. Approximately £700 was raised to help Christians in the Holy Land.

Pope Francis has designated October as an Extraordinary Month of Mission. There are details of some of the events around the Diocese on the back of this newsletter. If you can't get to any of the events please pray the special EMM prayer, copies of which are available from the back of church.

Parish diaries for 2020 are now available. These are FREE so please take one.

There is a Welcome Walk in the form of a nature trail, beginning from St Wulstan's School at 11.30 am today, Sunday 22nd September. Everyone is welcome. There will be food available at the end. The school is also participating in the Aldi Schools Health Initiative with a chance to win £20,000. You can help by collecting stickers every time you spend £30 or more in Aldi.

There is a box at the back of both Churches for you to place stickers in. Thank you.

Mass/Service Times and Intentions

Saturday 21st Sunday Vigil Mass

S 5.30 pm John Doran (Doran)

Sunday 22nd September Twenty-fifth Sunday of the Year

B 8.00 am People of the Parish

S 10.00 am Mary McDonnell RIP (Barney)

Monday 23rd St Pio of Pietrelcina

S 10.00 am Anna Maria Ghalano (Victor)

Tuesday 24th Our Lady of Walsingham

B 10.00 am Jim Weston RIP (Hill)

Wednesday 25th Feria

S 10.00 am Mary McDonnell RIP (Round)

Thursday 26th Feria

B 10.00 am Jim Weston RIP (Herridge)

Friday 27th St Vincent de Paul School 9.15 am for the School

Saturday 28th Feria

S 10.00 am Mary McDonnell RIP (Round)

Sunday Vigil Mass

S 5.30 pm People of the Parish

Sunday 29th September Twenty-sixth Sunday of the Year

B 8.00 am Jean Oakley RIP (Read)

S 10.00 am Anne Catchpole & Mary Jude Gregan RIP (Catchpole)

S = Stourport B = BewdleyConfessions this week: Saturdays 10.30 - 11.00 am and 4.45 - 5.15 pm and at call

Entrance Antiphon: I am the salvation of the people, says the Lord. Should they cry to me in any distress, I will hear them, and I will be their Lord for ever.

Responsorial Psalm: Praise the Lord, who raises the poor.

Acclamation: Alleluia, alleluia! Open our heart, O Lord, to accept the words of

your son. Alleluia!

Communion Antiphon: You have laid down your precepts to be carefully kept; may my ways be firm in keeping your statutes.

Holy Father's Prayer Intentions for September

Political activity must truly be conducted at the service of the human person, with respect for creation and for the common good.

Parish and Local News

Churches Together in Stourport: **Quiet Morning,** on the theme: "God's love revealed in Nature", with prayer, contemplation, relaxation and silence, Saturday 12th October, 10.00 am (finishing with shared lunch at 12.30 pm) at St Michael's Church, Church Drive, Stourport, DY13 9DT. All welcome.

Stourport Justice & Peace Group: "Helping Daniel Blake", a talk by Rev. Andrew Mann-Ray, based on the film "I, Daniel Blake", looking at the impact of today's Benefit System. Wednesday 23rd October, 7.30 pm at Baxter URC Church, Bull Ring, Kidderminster. Free parking in Weavers Wharf. Refreshments provided. All welcome so please come along.

Foodbank. Our next delivery will be on Wed 25th September. Items in short supply are: <u>Tinned Goods</u>: Tomatoes, cold meat, tuna or salmon, soup, spaghetti, potatoes, rice pudding, custard, fruit (oranges, peaches etc.). Other Items: Cereals, UHT milk, fruit juice, long grain rice, small jars of coffee, tea, jam, toothpaste, deodorant, shampoo, shower gel, shaving foam, razors, cat and dog food. Greg Kelly SVP

Collections: The offertory collection on 8th September came to £523.47, and last week's collection was £575.79. Thank you for your generosity. The collection for Catholic Education came to £401.61 and last week's collection for Catholic Evangelisation was £357.74. Future second collections: 6th October Mission appeal: Columban Fathers 13th Oct Cafod Harvest Fast 20th Oct **APF World Missions**

Parish lottery: Saturday 7th Sept, No. 8, Therese Freeman; Saturday 14th Sept, No. 28, Jo Galle.

Bible Alive for October now available from the Sacristy, £2.50

Please pray for the souls of those who have died recently: Jim Weston, Ada Steward, Yvonne Laskey

and all those whose anniversaries occur at about this time: Stanley Edwards, Celia Saunders, Arthur Noyce, John Dusconi, Canon Albert John Joseph Adams, Stella Dymow, Terry Sealey, Frank Gallagher, Joseph Mapp, Bernadette McAvoy, Norman McGregor, Gordon Whitehouse, Betty Shuck, Therese Archer, Eleanor Wharf, Chris Wright, Anne Catchpole, David Rushton, Michael Calder, Mary Marston, Michael Cleary, Duncan Nicholson, Brad Bradshaw, Mary O'Connor, Lilian Oakley, John Cullen Jones, Fr John Danaher, Hilda Lisle

Grant eternal rest, O Lord, to the souls of the faithful departed. Amen

Ministries for 28th/29th September

Readers: 5.30 pm Eileen Bridgford, Stephen Myers 8.00 am Steve Wightman, Stephanie Wolfe

10.00 am Andrew McIlvaney, Alison Thomas

Eucharistic Ministers:

5.30 pm B. & M. Burford, K. Savage, V. Dance

8.00 am John Keetch

10.00 am H. Golding, J. Ball, M. Lovell, A.N. Other

Counters: Team H

Please pray for all parishioners who are sick, especially:

Luke Allin, Emma Caldwell, Elaine Collins, Terry Coy, David M Davies, Jack Doran, Mary Graham, Izzy Griffiths, Colin James, Helen James, baby Phillip Mansel James, Mary Lawson, Tony Maye, Daphne Nealon, Janet Offord. Fred Raybould, Nicola Saunders, Jill Toombs.



Please also remember all those in nursing homes and the housebound. May the healing presence of Christ be with them. If you or someone you know would like to be included on the sick list please notify the clergy via the Presbytery or parish office. Similarly, if any person can be removed from the above list please let us know.

Fr Hudson's Care - Second collection charity

Fr Hudson's Care provides social care throughout the Archdiocese of Birmingham. With your help we have established projects like **Tabor House**, which supports homeless men and women in the heart of Birmingham, and **Sophia House**, which welcomes female refugees. We also work with parishes developing projects like Brushstrokes in Smethwick, serving the whole community, particularly asylum seekers, refugees & newcomers. Please help us continue this, and all our other work, by giving generously this weekend.

Other News

It's 100 years since Pope Benedict XV's encyclical Maximum Illud called on Catholics to bring the Good News to all peoples (Missio Ad Gentes). In commemoration Pope Francis has declared October 2019 to be an Extraordinary Month of Mission (EMM). This special month of prayer and action calls us all to renew our missionary commitment. We're called to share the Good News of Jesus Christ with all peoples. Events in the Diocese include: Annual Justice & Peace Assembly, 12th October (see below for details); Kenelm Youth Trust - Day of Mission Saturday 19th October for those who are 16+ yrs: an opportunity to engage in mission projects in the heart of Birmingham. (Email megan.cox@kenelmyouthtrust.org.uk for details). Vigil and Mass at St Chad's Cathedral, Saturday 19th October, 6.00 pm (see noticeboards for details); For more information on **EMM** please see the websites: mission.org.uk and www.october2019.va/en.html

Annual Justice and Peace Assembly, Saturday 12th October, St. Peter's School, Solihull. In association with Columban Missionaries. Baptised and Sent: Our call to be Missionary Disciples The Diocesan Justice and Peace Commission and the Columban Missionaries invite you to reflect on your experiences, celebrating and putting into action the call to mission for justice, peace and care for creation. Register on-line at http://bit.ly/JandP_Assembly2019 or email events@columbans.co.uk. You can also download booking forms etc from our parish website/News and Events page.

Canonisation of Blessed John Henry Newman, Sunday 13th October, in Rome. Masses of Thanksgiving at Birmingham Oratory, 141 Hagley Road, Edgbaston, B16 8UE. In Latin 18th October, 7.30 pm; in English 20th October, 12.00 noon. There are numerous, local supporting events, please see notice boards or visit www.birminghamdiocese.org.uk, the diocesan website, for full details.

The Big Bible Study: Celebrating 400 yrs of the King James Bible, Worcester Cathedral, Saturday 26th October, 10.00 am -1.30 pm, led by Archbishop Bernard Longley, Rt Rev John Inge, Bishop of Worcester and Judith Rossall, Methodist Minister and Tutor at The Queen's Foundation, Birmingham. Booking would be helpful; please call 01905 732900 or email susiearnold@worcestercathedral.org.uk

JOB VACANCY - COMMUNICATIONS OFFICER

The Columban Missionaries invites applications for the parttime position of Communications Officer. Based in the Columban Mission Office at St. Columban's in Solihull, the role will develop and expand Columban communications in Britain, bringing the witness and experience of Columban missionaries to new people and new communities with empathy for our values and vision. For more info and to apply visit: www.columbans.co.uk/join-us/communications-officer

Tel: 01564 772 096 or Email: hr@columbans.co.uk.

Deadline: Sunday 29th September.