



# THE CATHOLIC PARISHES OF ENGLISH MARTYRS AND ST AUGUSTINE OF CANTERBURY



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## Parish Administrator Marisa Wood

The office is open for 9 hours a week. Marisa will be in on Monday/Tuesday  
Marisa remains on the Job Retention Scheme for her other 9 hours.

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**CONFESSIONS SATURDAY 7<sup>TH</sup> OCTOBER ST AUGUSTINE'S FROM 11.15AM TO 12NOON  
IF THIS TIME IS NOT SUITABLE CONTACT FR GERRY**

## Parish Prayer

O God be at the heart of our parish and in all our hearts,  
Strengthen our faith and our hope in Your promises.

Grant us a spirit of self-sacrifice, so that, with your grace, and by the  
Power of the Holy Spirit, we may radiate Your love to everyone we meet.  
Help us to reach out with joy and mercy, to build a loving, healing community.  
We ask this through Christ Our Lord. Amen.



**Solemnity of All Saints (Thirty First Week in Ordinary Time Year A)  
1<sup>st</sup> November 2020**

<b>Entrance Antiphon</b>	Let us all rejoice in the Lord, as we celebrate the feast day in honour of all the Saints at whose festival the Angels rejoice and praise the Son of God.
<b>Responsorial Psalm</b>	Such are the men who seek your face, O Lord.
<b>Gospel Acclamation</b>	Come to me, all you who labour and are overburdened and I will give you rest, says the Lord.
<b>Communion Antiphon</b>	Blessed are the clean of heart, for they shall see God. Blessed are the peacemakers, for they shall be called children of God. Blessed are they who are persecuted for the sake of righteousness, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

DATE	ENGLISH MARTYRS	SAINT AUGUSTINE'S	MASS INTENTION AND LITURGICAL DAY
Sat 31 <sup>st</sup> Oct		6.30pm (Vigil) Mass	Zygmunt Perczynski RIP
Sun 1 <sup>st</sup> Nov	9.00am Mass	11.00am Mass	Phyl Williamson (Anniv) Edna O'Keeffe RIP
Mon 2 <sup>nd</sup> Nov	9.30am Adoration 10.00am Mass	6.30pm Mass	<i>Commemoration of all the Faithful Departed</i> Holy Souls Anielka Jennings RIP
Tues 3 <sup>rd</sup> Nov		9.30am Adoration 10.00am Mass	Barbara Wood Anniv
Wed 4 <sup>th</sup> Nov	6.30pm Mass		<i>St Charles Borromeo</i> People of the Parishes
Thurs 5 <sup>th</sup> Nov	1-5pm Adoration		Fr Gerry's Day off
Fri 6 <sup>th</sup> Nov		10.00am Mass	Thanksgiving PG
Sat 7 <sup>th</sup> Nov	10.00am Mass	11.15am to 12Noon Confessions 6.30pm (Vigil) Mass	David Roger RIP and family Richard Curran RIP

**MASSES AVAILABLE VIRTUALLY LIVE VIA SKYPE GUEST LINK <https://join.skype.com/IMJtoOE71NTR>  
BOTH CHURCHES ARE USING TRACK & TRACE AND CAN ACCOMMODATE  
APPROX 70 PEOPLE. PLEASE DO NOT FORGET YOUR FACE COVERING  
THE CHURCHES WILL OPEN FOR PRIVATE PRAYER 20 MINUTES BEFORE MASS STARTS**

**Please pray:** For all those who have died recently especially Shelia Richardson who died on Monday 26<sup>th</sup> October funeral details to follow and all whose anniversaries occur at this time and all those who mourn. **Please also pray for the sick especially:** Those in hospital with Covid-19 and John Connors, Susan Maher, Ellen Wagner, Kath Griffiths, Elizabeth Knight. Albert Turner, Shelia Robertson, Maria Oldfield, Janet Wagner, Andrea Brushneen, Joan Humphreys, Peggy Keogh, Lisa Knight, Maureen Moloney, Mary Gorman, Jim Young, Elizabeth Bopoto, Pat Murray, Pat Gilbert, Bridie O'Boyle, Rosemary Bernard, Janet Peacey and Nicholas Payne.

**First Holy Communion 2020/21 Children:** Expression of Interest Forms should be returned to Fr Gerry by TODAY.

**November Month of the Holy Souls:** Starts this Sunday with the celebration of the Solemnity of All Saints. At St Augustine's there will be a sheet in the lobby on the cupboards on the left after the sanitising table. Please write in capital letters anyone's name who has died since November 2019 whom you wish to be added into the St Augustine's memorial book. At English Martyrs there will be a book placed in the lobby area for you to write any name of someone who has died that you wished to be remembered. Both books will be placed before/on the altar for Masses during November. If you would like a mass said either for one individual who has died or for deceased members of your family please complete a mass envelope, enclose a donation the Diocesan suggested amount remains £4, and hand the envelope to Fr Gerry.

The Vatican has extended the Plenary Indulgence for the Deceased for the whole of November, This, indulgence may be gained by visiting a cemetery or a church whether physically, virtually or mentally and praying for the dead and with the usual other conditions for gaining an indulgence.

**Commemoration of all the Faithful Departed (Holy Souls' Day):** On Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> November there will be a Mass in both parishes where the names of those who Fr Gerry has performed either a burial or cremation for that Parish since last year will be read.

**Church in Tuffley Time to Remember:** St George's, Grange Road are hosting a service on Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> November at 4pm. All those who have had a funeral recorded in the death register at English Martyrs from last November will be remembered. . Seats are limited due to Covid-19 restrictions so booking is essential, if booking for more than 1 person please indicate whether you can sit together – to book seats please contact Helen at [tuffleypioneer@gmail.com](mailto:tuffleypioneer@gmail.com)

**Back to Basics:** CELEBRATE are going Back to Basics! On Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> November from 7.30pm to 8.30pm on Zoom Yinka Oyekan will talk about Unity To register go to <https://www.celebrateconference.org/back-to-basics-2020> . Previous talks can be found on the Celebrate Family Youtube Channel.

**Children Starting School in 2021?:** If you have a child born between 1 September 2016 and 31 August 2017, then now is the time to apply for a place at a primary school for admission from September 2021 onwards. You must complete an application form that is available from the school admissions team of Gloucestershire Council. If your child has been baptised and you are applying for a Catholic school, you must also provide a copy of the baptism certificate to the school. Please ensure you apply by the closing date of 15 January 2021.

**St Augustine's 200 Club:** Congratulations to the 6 October 2020 winners who won £99 in prizes between them ranging from £49.50 to £4.95. And many thanks to Claire Copper for continuing to keep the 200 Club going with its monthly draws throughout the pandemic. Thanks also to all the 200 club members who between them regularly contribute ~£100 to the parish each month. There are currently spaces for new members or for you to take a second number. To join or add a second number please contact Claire Cooper on 01452 614173. It costs just £12 per number for the year and almost £100 per month is given in prizes. You have to be in IT to win IT!

**Second Collections:** This weekend for Missio and its work supporting the Missions – the delayed World Mission Sunday collection. By supporting Missio the Pope's charity for world mission, you will be helping missionaries like Sr Nicéia who appears on the posters and the front of the Autumn Mission Today Books share the love of Christ with those most in need. Please call 020 7821 9755 (office hours) or visit Missio's website to set up a Direct Debit or to give a Gift Aided Aid donation. On the weekend of 13<sup>th</sup>/14<sup>th</sup> November we will have the annual Priest's Retirement Fund collection

### Reflection on the Gospel for All Saints

Today we celebrate the Feast of All Saints, a feast that brings into focus all those who lead good and often holy lives but are not officially recognised by the Church as being 'Saints'. The church introduced this feast in order to recognise the early Christian martyrs, many of whom were never known by name but who lived faithful Christian lives and who died for their faith. We may not have known anyone who has died for their faith but most of us have met people who have devoted their life to living the values of the Gospel. They are the people who strive to live generously and compassionately. These people are not heroic in the normal sense of the word, but their lives often are heroic. They are the people who are ready go the extra mile for others and then slip away un-noticed. When we think of holiness what do we imagine? Perhaps one definition of holiness is the capacity to live without hankering after the past or imagining the future but being able to focus on the present moment. Such people are attentive to what is going on around them and in doing so can respond to whatever is asked of them. During the pandemic we have seen many such people, heroically giving endlessly to meet the needs of others. These are the blessed people. Today's Gospel invites each one of us live humble, peaceful, and wholesome (holy) lives with Christ at the heart of all our actions and words.

