



THE CATHOLIC PARISHES OF ENGLISH MARTYRS AND ST AUGUSTINE OF CANTERBURY



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'Together, Reach Out and Welcome All with Joy, Compassion and Unfailing Love'

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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.



Thirty Second Sunday in Ordinary Time Year A Remembrance Sunday 8th November 2020

Entrance Antiphon	Let my prayer come into your presence. Incline your ear to my cry for help, O Lord.
Responsorial Psalm	For you my soul is thirsting, O God, my God.
Gospel Acclamation	Stay awake and stand ready, because you do not know the hour when the Son of Man is coming.
Communion Antiphon	The disciples recognized the Lord Jesus in the breaking of bread.

DATE	ENGLISH MARTYRS	SAINT AUGUSTINE'S	MASS INTENTION AND LITURGICAL DAY
Sat 7 th Nov		6.30pm (Vigil) Virtual Mass	Richard Curran RIP
Sun 8 th Nov	10.00 am Virtual Mass followed by Act of Remembrance	2pm to 3pm Church open for private prayer	Those who died in warfare and the victims of Covid-19
Mon 9 th Nov		10.00am Virtual Mass 11.00am to 12 Noon Church open for private prayer	Dedication of the Lateran Basilica Deceased Members of the Hancock Family
Tues 10 th Nov	10.00am Virtual Mass 11.00am to 12 Noon Church open for private prayer		Saint Leo the Great Adrian Hayes RIP
Wed 11 th Nov		11.00am Requiem Mass 2pm to 3pm Church open for private prayer	Saint Martin of Tours Shelia Richardson RIP
Thurs 12 th Nov	2pm to 3pm Church open for private prayer		Saint Josaphat Fr Gerry's Day off
Fri 13 th Nov		10.00am Virtual Mass 11.00am to 12 Noon Church open for private prayer	Janetta Mills RIP
Sat 14 th Nov	10.00am Virtual Mass 11.00am to 12 Noon Church open for private prayer		The Deceased members of the Boyle Family

**MASSES CANNOT BE ATTENDED IN PERSON EXCEPT LIMITED NUMBERS FOR FUNERALS
ALL MASSES ARE AVAILABLE VIRTUALLY VIA THE SKYPE GUEST LINK**

<https://join.skype.com/IMJtoOE71NTR>

**PLEASE REMEMBER YOUR FACE COVERING IF COMING TO ONE OF THE CHURCHES FOR PRIVATE PRAYER
AND CONTINUE TO FOLLOW ALL COVID-19 CHURCH PROCEDURES.**

Please pray: For all those who have died recently especially Shelia Richardson who died on Monday 26th October and whose Requiem Mass will be 11th November at 11am at St Augustine's 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, 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.

Daily Prayers during the Second Lockdown: Cardinal Vincent Nichols and Archbishop Malcolm McMahon OP issued a statement at the beginning of this second lockdown reminding us 'to be obedient to the officials in authority; to be ready to do good at every opportunity' (Titus 3:1) and then saying 'At this difficult moment, we ask that, as a Catholic community, we make full use of our churches as places of individual prayer and sources of solace and help. We must sustain each other in our patterns of prayer, joining a national shared moment of prayer each day at 6pm, and observing the Vigil of Christ the King (21st November) as a day of prayer for the ending of this pandemic. And we encourage you all in your practical service and support of each other and those around you in need.'

To facilitate this Fr Gerry is hosting prayers on the Skype Link used for Masses every day EXCEPT Thursday at 6pm. One of our Churches is also open for an hour every day for private prayer and EXCEPT Thursday Fr Gerry will unless there is an emergency call be around please also don't hesitate to contact Fr Gerry as on the front of the newsletter if you need support. Finally, on the 21st November the 10am Mass will be offered for the end of the pandemic.

November Month of the Holy Souls: Memorial books will be placed near or on the altar for Masses during November in both Churches. If you wish to add a name(s) please contact Marisa for English Martyrs and Fr Gerry for St Augustine's. 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/post 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.

Requiem Mass for Shelia Richardson: On Wednesday 11th November at 11am at St Augustine's. The family have instructed Fr Gerry to invite those who knew Shelia to the Requiem Mass. Because numbers are limited by LAW you MUST contact Fr Gerry by 6pm Tuesday 10th November if you would like to attend and he will let you know if space is still available. All covid-19 procedures must be followed – face coverings, track and trace etc. Please DO NOT attend in person if you have not asked and had confirmation that you can come. The Mass will be available on Skype.

CiT Christmas Hampers: Items for the Christmas Hampers for struggling families in Tuffley maybe brought to English Martyrs during the time the Church is open for Private Prayer. The list of required items is on a leaflet in the lobby. Please remember to let Helen know what you are buying at tuffleypioneer@gmail.com she will also accept cash in lieu of items.

Back to Basics: CELEBRATE are going Back to Basics! On Monday 16th November from 7.30pm to 8.30pm on Zoom the theme is Formation: 'The Call to Ever Deeper Discipleship' and the speaker Emma Wildsmith. To register go to <https://www.celebrateconference.org/back-to-basics-2020>. Previous talks are 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: Thanks for your recent donations to CAFOD £313.50 was collected at St Augustine's and £221.70 at English Martyrs. Our next second collection when we can gather in person to attend Sunday Masses is due to be for the Priest's Retirement Fund.

Reflection on the Gospel for 32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

'Stay Awake' – for those who suffer from any form of sleeping disorder these words are cold comfort. Being awake all night or indeed the fear of not being able to sleep can torment and cause great anxiety. Of course, Jesus is not expecting us to literally refrain from sleeping. What he is referring to is the lack of alertness we can have to what might be happening around us, the way we drift from one thing to another, and worse, the way we can drift into negative behaviour, or simply into apathy and disregard for the things that matter. It is easy to drift. It can happen almost unconsciously, without us being aware of what is happening. This is what happens to people who find themselves addicted to drink, drugs, gambling – one day the one or two pints of beer that they had enjoyed to relax become several pints, followed by several whiskies and before they know it the evening drink has extended into a thirst which can only be satiated by one first thing in the morning. Life becomes a painful escape from reality and truth. Jesus does not want this for us. Instead he wants us to live life to the full, to experience everything in all its glory for we never know when the opportunity to do so will come to an end. When it does, we will want to be fully conscious that we have lived our lives in readiness for meeting God.

