

GROWING IN YOUR FAITH & RCIAParish Programme 2024 – 2025

All are welcome to a series of talks through which we desire to grow in knowledge and love of God and so be renewed in His image and likeness

(The sessions are scheduled for Wednesday evenings from 6:30 – 7:30 in the parish room)

Talk 1: What Are We Waiting For? Advent, the Dead Sea Scrolls, & John the Baptist

Description

Advent is a time of waiting for the Messiah, and to wait well, we can learn some lessons from the ancient Essenes, the Jewish sect that left us the Dead Sea Scrolls and educated John the Baptist as a young man.

Date: Wednesday 4th December, 1st Week of Advent
Talk 2: Wonderful, Counsellor, the Mighty God A Biblical Study of
Handel's Messiah

Description

Join us for a guided tour through the scriptural passages and musical themes in George Frideric Handel's masterpiece, the Messiah.

Dates: Wednesday 11th December, & Wednesday 18th December Series 3: Jesus of Nazareth: Discovering Christ with Pope Benedict XVI (10 Parts)

Description

Pope Benedict XVI realized that the absence of God in our lives and society posed the greatest crisis facing the world today. During his Pontificate, therefore, he wrote a trilogy of works that invites us to come to know more fully the One who leads us to the Father, Jesus of Nazareth.

Date: Starting from Wednesday 22nd January, 2nd Week in Ordinary Time

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Saturday 12th October: Blessed Virgin Mary on Saturday

11am Holy Hour / 12noon Holy Mass (Clergy Intentions)
6pm VIGIL 28th SUNDAY OF THE YEAR (All Parishioners)

<u>Sunday 13th October:</u> 28th SUNDAY OF THE YEAR Day of prayer for prisoners 10.00am Holy Mass (Conrad Westerside) 6pm: Holy Mass (Jim Acock RIP)

Monday 14th October: St Callistus I Pope & Martyr

9am Rosary / 9.30am: Holy Mass (Richard Catterall RIP) 12pm Angelus

2.30pm: Funeral Service for Dorothy Johnson RIP

<u>Tuesday 15th October:</u> St Teresa of Avila- Virgin & Doctor of the Church 9am Rosary/9.30am: Holy Mass (Michael Chapman RIP) 12pm Angelus Wednesday 16th October: St Margaret Mary Alacoque: Virgin & Religious 9am Holy Rosary/9.30am: Holy Mass (Deceased members of Hough family) 12pm Angelus

<u>Thursday 17th October:</u> St Ignatius of Antioch- Bishop & Martyr 9am Holy Rosary / 9.30am: Holy Mass (Thanksgiving to Jesus)

Friday 18th October: St Luke the Evangelist

11.00am: Requiem Mass for Doreen Halewood RIP

Saturday 19th October: BVM on a Saturday

& St Peter Alcantara (Secondary Patron of Shrewsbury Cathedral)

11am Holy Hour / 12noon Holy Mass (Clergy Intentions)

6pm VIGIL 29th **SUNDAY OF THE YEAR** (Tony Byrne RIP)

Sunday 20th October: 29th SUNDAY OF THE YEAR - WORLD MISSION DAY

10.00am Holy Mass (Ben Smith RIP) 12pm: Baptism of: Reuben Davies

6pm: Holy Mass (Parishioners)

CONFESSION is available half an hour before each Vigil & Sunday Mass, during Saturday Morning Holy Hour and upon request.

<u>WEDDINGS & BAPTISMS</u> may be discussed with the clergy following the Vigil and Sunday Morning Masses or by appointment.

Most days the church will be open at approx. 8.30am and will remain open until after the Angelus is prayed at 12pm and later whenever possible.

TRIP TO THE SCOTTISH HIGHLANDS: Monday April 28th – Friday 2nd May 2025

Departing on the Monday Morning arriving at Scotland's Marian Shrine in Carfin for 1pm Mass and a light lunch. Then on to Glencoe for a four-night stay at The Isles of Glencoe Hotel, located on the shores of Loch Leven. This is a sister hotel to the Peebles Hydro where we have previously stayed, and it has a pool and leisure centre. The cost is £580,00 per person sharing twin or double and £860 single. (Apologies that the single room cost carries a supplement as in most hotels) This cost includes all coach travel, daily excursions in the Highlands and four nights dinner, B&B.

Those who have requested a place should have received an email this week with a booking form and deposit request. If not, forms are available at the back of church. Please complete and return to the parish office ASAP.

OUTREACH PARISH LUNCH CLUB: Friday 25th October 12 to 1.30pm

Food, refreshments, and good company, all free but donations in support of our 'Parish Outreach Ministry' are much appreciated. **All are welcome.**

JUNIOR YOUTH CLUB: Next Junior Youth Club is on Friday 18th October 6.45 – 8pm

PARISH OUTREACH MINISTRY:

We thank you for your continued donations which are very important and gratefully received. *If you require some* assistance or know someone who does, please contact the Parish Office.— we can provide food vouchers or support you in purchasing school uniform etc.



Foodbank NEWS: You have been extra generous to the Foodbank in September. This month donating 65kg of food, £100 in cash & an Aldi voucher for £40. Thank you very much. They were very grateful.



PRAYERS FOR THE SICK & BEREAVED:

Please pray for those suffering any illness at this time. We also pray for those struggling with the heavy cross of bereavement.

NOVEMBER – MONTH OF PRAYER FOR THE HOLY SOULS

On Sunday 3rd November at 12.30pm, we will hold our annual Service for the Faithful Departed and blessing of graves at Plymyard Cemetery.

RECENTLY DECEASED: Dorothy Johnson, Tony Fellows, Richard Catterall, Doreen Halewood, Anthony Byrne RIP.

Dorothy Johnson: Funeral Service Monday 14th October 2.30pm Doreen Halewood: Requiem Mass Friday 18th October 11am in Church

MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION: Meeting 6.30pm Monday 28th October

We are inviting all existing ministers and those interested in this ministry to come along to the parish hall for this meeting as we seek to improve and progress this special and important ministry.

ADDITIONAL PARKING AT CHURCH FOR SUNDAY MORNING MASS

(Reception) carpark on Allport Road. The gates will be open on Sunday for the 10am Mass, as will the side pedestrian gate that leads towards our hall from the school. If we park with consideration this will allow another fifteen or so cars to park. if you intend to stay in the hall for refreshments ensure that you are not blocking anyone from leaving the carpark.

PASTORAL LETTER FROM BISHOP MARK: Threat of Assisted Suicide

We will hear this letter from Bishop Mark at all our Masses this weekend. This further dangerous step in what Pope St John Paul II called 'The culture of death' is being presented in Parliament. The bishop asks us to stand up against this attack upon the sanctity of life by contacting our MP and expressing our opposition to the Bill.

(justin.madders.mp@parliament.uk / Tel 0151 355 2365)

FEAST OF ALL SAINTS - HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION: Friday 1st November

As always, we encourage our families to embrace the true meaning of this great feast and of Halloween...meaning **All Hallows Eve, referring to the Solemnity of All Saints.** As the secular world presents the 'Pagan Darkness' we as Catholics should be celebrating all that is of light and of God. On Friday 1st we will hold an evening Mass at 6.45pm and invite our children to attend dressed as saints or angels, thus rejecting evil and embracing God. The Mass will be followed by refreshments in the hall.

All are welcome, please come along.

CHRISTMAS SHOEBOX PACKING WEEK

Monday 28th October 12.30-3pm, Tuesday 29th - Thursday 31st October 10-3pm. Donations of gifts can be left in the large plastic box in the church porch or brought to the parish hall during the packing week. Please take a leaflet and if you can fill a shoebox I would be very grateful. Volunteers to help with packing would be most welcome. Call Cath Hesketh 07910781031 or Teresa Brady 07961809926 for information.

RED BOX HOLDERS: If you would like to have your Red Box emptied this year or make a donation, your collector will be in touch soon to arrange. Please make any cheques payable to **APF Mill Hill**. If it is more convenient for you, drop off your collection or donation directly to me. *Trish Dodd, Red Box Local Secretary 343 0746*

50/50 CLUB: Draw 7. 1st Prize £95 -No55 T&P Brady / 2nd Prize £50 - No196 P Engle **Draw 8: 1**st Prize £95 -No267 Rod Kittlety / 2nd Prize £50 - No296 Mrs R Simmons

LAST WEEK'S OFFERINGS AT: £796.26 / AUGUST STANDING ORDERS: £1547 Thank you for your continued generosity and support towards the maintenance and mission of our parish and the Church.

In this Marian month of October, we keep everyone in our prayers and wish many blessings for you all and for your families.

Our Lady of the Rosary - Pray for us Fr Louis, Fr Humphrey & Deacon Tony