

THE PRECIOUS BLOOD OF OUR LORD AND ALL SOULS



29TH JULY – 11TH AUGUST 2018

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SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY (YEAR B)

Sunday 29th 9.30am Family Mass (Patrick O'Malley)

Entrance	720	Be still for the presence of the Lord
Offertory	603	Blest are you Lord
Recessional	662	O bread of heaven

11.15am Solemn Mass (Frank & Eileen Duckett)
:- see specially prepared music sheets.

FROM FATHER MICHAEL

Returned from Rome only a week ago I feel that I have been on a vocational roller coaster. First the ordination of Friar Gerard Mary to the priesthood and then that of John Waters to the diaconate, I have barely had time to take a breath, two such very different occasions but both so beautiful and powerful. You can't beat having an ordination on your own turf, surrounded by family and friends, and in the very parish of your baptism, schooling and First Holy Communion. But nor can you beat an ordination in a beautiful little church on the banks of Lake Albano overlooking the Papal Palace of Castelgondolfo. Other than Deacon John's parents I was the only member of All Souls to be there with him, and it was indeed a great honour to represent you all there. As all the staff and students of the Venerable English College sang at the end of a long and convivial lunch "Ad multos annos...."(To many years...)

Last Sunday's readings were about ministry and vocation as well. The gospel told us that Jesus took pity on the people gathering around him, as "they were like sheep without a shepherd." But not all shepherding is good shepherding: "Doom for the shepherds who allow the flock of my pasture to be destroyed and scattered," shepherds who are more interested in their own security and status than they are in the welfare of their flock. As Pope Francis has said, good shepherds need to have the smell of the sheep.

One very important and often overlooked element of ministry and shepherding is the need to "come away to some lonely place all by yourself and rest for a while," something that I for one, will, to an extent, be attempting to do over the course of these next few weeks. I pray that over the holiday period each and every one of us will have a little more time to be with the Lord. And many thanks to Fr. David Bazen for celebrating the Sunday Masses whilst I'm away.

Tuesday	31 st	St Ignatius of Loyola	9.15am	Liturgy of the Word and Holy Communion
Wednesday	1 st	St Alphonsus de Ligouri	9.00am	Liturgy of the Word and Holy Communion
Thursday	2 nd		9.00am	Mass (Bob & Mary Jones)
Saturday	4 th	St John Vianney	8.00am	Prayer breakfast at St Barbara's

EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY

Sunday	5th		9.30am	Family Mass	(Kathleen Ryan)
		Entrance	934	Dear Lord and Father of mankind	
		Offertory	732	Loving Father from your bounty	
		Recessional	960	Guide me, O thou great redeemer	
			11.15am	Solemn Mass	(David & Dorothy Atkinson) <i>see specially prepared music sheets.</i>
Monday	6 th	Transfiguration of our Lord	12.00noon	Mass	(Eileen McGill)
Tuesday	7 th		9.15am	Liturgy of the Word and Holy Communion	
Sunday	12th	Nineteenth Sunday	9.30am	Family Mass	(Michael & Rosaleen O'Connor)
			11.15am	Solemn Mass	(Brendan & Darren Smith)
Tuesday	14 th	St Maximilian Kolbe	9.15am	Liturgy of the Word and Holy Communion	
Wednesday	15 th	The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary	9.30am	Mass	(Grenville Campbell)
		Holy Day of Obligation	7.00pm	Mass	(Wilham Lawton)
Thursday	16 th	St Stephen of Hungary	9.00am	Mass	(Intentions of Cassidy family)
Friday	17 th		7.00am	Mass	(Josephine Murphy)
Saturday	18 th		12.30pm	Holy Matrimony Stacey & Martin	

SAVE THE DATE FOR EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS

Retreat Day at Mater Ecclesia, Church Stretton, Monks Kirby Saturday 15th September
Special Focus on the pastoral aspects of Eucharistic Ministry

SAFEGUARDING

Archbishop Bernard Longley has commissioned a review of our current safeguarding/child protection practices in light of the National Catholic Policies and Procedures. This review is to be welcomed as a means of ensuring that our systems to protect our children and young people are as effective as possible. This review is being carried out by an independent charity called SCIE (Social Care Institute for Excellence). As part of the review, SCIE would like to speak with any individuals who have had any experience with any safeguarding issues within the Archdiocese, and have experience of working with our parish safeguarding representatives and the safeguarding team at the Archdiocese.

Anyone who is impacted by abuse issues can contact the safeguarding team on **0121 230 6240** (emergency out of hours **07976 516629**).

If you are able to contribute to this important review and share your experiences with SCIE then please contact Hugh Constant (Hugh.Constant@scie.org.uk or 0207 766 7374 or 07872 602 207).

ANNUAL PILGRIMAGE TO HARVINGTON HALL – Shrine of the English Martyrs

Sunday 2nd September 3.00pm Mass Free Parking. Teas. Picnic Area. Bring your own chair!

STRAWBERRY TEA IN THE MAGDALEN CENTRE

3.00pm 4th August Tickets £3.00 available at the door.

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