



PARISH OF OUR LADY QUEEN OF MARTYRS

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SOLEMNITY OF THE ASSUMPTION - Year C – 14th August 2016.

Holy Year of Mercy – “Merciful, like the Father.”

Entrance Antiphon - “A great sign appeared in heaven: a woman clothed with the sun, and the moon beneath her feet, and on her head a crown of twelve stars.”

Responsorial psalm - “On your right stands the queen, in garments of gold.”

Gospel Acclamation - “Alleluia, alleluia! Mary has been taken up into heaven; all the choirs of angels are rejoicing. Alleluia!”

Communion Antiphon – “All generations will call me blessed, for he who is mighty has done great things for me.”

Sunday Mass Readings – Apoc 11:19 – 12:10, Ps 44, 1 Cor 15:20-26, Luke 1; 39-56.

FROM FR. MATTHEW.

The pilgrimage of prayer marking the Archdiocesan 100th anniversary continues, as we pray this week for the parish of St. Thomas of Hereford in Weobley, with St. Bede's in Kington and the Parish Priest Fr. Simon McGurk. Today we continue asking for memberships for the new Parish 200 club, please encourage family, friends and colleagues to join as well so we can reach our target of 200 members; extra forms are available at the back of Church. Thanks to those parishioners who have returned their forms already. The first draw takes place in October, the tote continues until then. I return to the parish late on Friday evening with the rest of the Lourdes pilgrims. Fr. Jonathan will be supplying in the parish until then, his direct phone number is 374737.

REFLECTION – FOR THE SOLEMNITY OF THE ASSUMPTION.

Although it is not mentioned in Scripture, the Assumption of Mary has been a solidly held belief of our faith since apostolic times, that Mary at the end of her earthly life was assumed body and soul into heaven, and has been officially celebrated by the Catholic Church since 6th century AD. The Assumption of Mary was declared a dogma of the Catholic Church by Pope Pius XII in 1950: “The Immaculate Mother of God, the ever-virgin Mary, having completed the course of her earthly life, was assumed body and soul into heaven.” (Munificentissimus Deus) Pope Francis says “At the end of its Constitution on the Church, the Second Vatican Council left us a very beautiful meditation on Mary Most Holy. Let me just recall the words referring to the mystery we celebrate today: “the immaculate Virgin preserved free from all stain of original sin, was taken up body and soul into heavenly glory, when her earthly life was over, and exalted by the Lord as Queen over all things” (no. 59). Then towards the end, there is: “the Mother of Jesus in the glory which she possesses in body and soul in heaven is the image and the beginning of the church as it is to be perfected in the world to come. Likewise, she shines forth on earth, until the day of the Lord shall come” (no. 68). In the light of this most beautiful image of our Mother, we are able to see the message of the biblical readings that we have just heard. We can focus on three key words: struggle, resurrection, hope.” And St. Josemaria Escriva “Joy overtakes both angels and men. “Why is it that we feel today this intimate delight, with our heart brimming over, with our soul full of peace? Because we are celebrating the glorification of our mother, and it is only natural that we her children rejoice in a special way upon seeing how the most Blessed Trinity honors her.”

Dates for Your Diary

Please come along and enjoy tea and coffee in the parish room after the Sunday morning Masses

Tote numbers for week No winners. Prize money for week 40 £. 8 numbers to be drawn.

Second Collection. No 2nd Collection this week. Next week Parish Decoration Fund

Tuesday devotions: Divine Mercy Novena before Mass and joyful mysteries of the rosary.

PARISH 200 CLUB. Forms for the 200 club were distributed recently, please return to the sacristy, shop or presbytery, please feel free to photocopy or take some of the extra copies at the back of Church and give to family and friends. So far about 30 memberships have been taken out.

SOUTH INDIAN COMMUNITY MASS – Every 2nd Sunday of the month mass is held in the Syro-Malabar rite for the local community from South India-Kerala, at 4.00pm. The next mass is Sunday 11th September.

POLISH MASS – Every 4th Sunday of the month, mass is celebrated in Polish, the next one is on Sunday 28th August.

BELMONT ABBEY OPEN DAY – Monday 29th August – Free Guided Tours of the Abbey Church.

HEREFORD FOOD BANK – Is in need of the following items, tins of meat, fruit, rice pudding, dried goods – Smashed Potato, Rice, instant coffee, and jars of jam/marmalade, also instant or microwave meals. Items can be left in the church porch/narthex.

HOLY DOOR HELPER! The Diocesan Evangelisation Team invites you to help run a “Mission to the Doors of Mercy” in September this year. Help is needed at Belmont Abbey on Monday 19th September to welcome guests at the door and as table hosts; prepare refreshments and help with the simple prayer service. If you can help, Contact Chris Moore on cjm1957@btinternet.com

FR. MATTHEW AWAY. Fr. Matthew returns from Lourdes this Friday, and then disappears again on Tuesday 23rd August – 3rd September in West Wales. During this time Fr. Archie Casey will be supplying in the parish, he is a Xaverian Missionary and will be making an appeal at all masses that Sunday 28th August. There will be some weekdays without mass, please consult the bulletin for details.

BELMONT ABBEY –DAY OF PRAYER/REFLECTION –To Celebrate the Assumption, Saturday 13th August 10-4pm. See posters at back of Church.

WALSINGHAM YOUTH 2000. The 25th - 29st of August are the dates for Youth 2000's Walsingham retreat 2016! A 5 day Prayer Festival, packed with dynamic talks, live-band worship, powerful prayer services, fun social activities, and loads more with over a thousand other young Catholics from the UK. With top speakers from the USA and all over the country, all descending on the National shrine of Walsingham. For more details on the festival, e-mail: info@youth2000.org or find us on Facebook.

BAPTISM NEXT SUNDAY – Please pray for Olivia Monika Cather being baptised next Sunday afternoon, daughter of David and Monika.

20th ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATIONS – The parish will be celebrating the 20th anniversary of the new church over the weekend of 25th-27th November. On the Sunday, Archbishop George and Abbot Paul will be celebrating mass at 10.30am, replacing the normal Sunday morning masses. There will be an exhibition on the history of the parish and a Ceilidh on the Saturday night. We have also commissioned an Icon of Blessed Roger Cadwalder, one of the martyrs of Herefordshire which will be unveiled that weekend and placed in the Church. A draft design is on display at the back of the Church.

LOURDES PILGRIMAGE. The group of parishioners led by Fr. Matthew is presently in Lourdes and will be remembering all parishioners and all intentions offered each day at Holy Mass. Please say a prayer for their safe return this coming Friday.

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY – SVP. The dates of our future meetings are 9th September, 14th October, 11th November and 9th December. The names and phone numbers of the current members are posted on the notice-boards in the Narthex, so if you know of anyone in need please let us know.

Rotherwas Chapel This Monday 15th August the Mass of the Assumption will be celebrated in Rotherwas Chapel by Abbot Paul at 11am. This will be the first Mass to be said since 1914 in this beautiful, historic Catholic chapel, formerly belonging to the Bodenham family of Rotherwas House, and so an important occasion for the Catholic community in Hereford. All are welcome. Further information: bmwarde@aol.com

.PARISH SCHEDULE. 14th – 21st August.

PSALTER WEEK 4. YEAR C SUNDAYS. ORDINARY WEEK 20, YEAR 2 WEEKDAYS.

Sunday 14th - Solemnity of the Assumption.

9.30 am Mass Mieczny (Michael) Wojtczak.

11.30am Mass. 60th Birthday (J.B.)

6.30pm Mass Bernard Mulloy

Monday 15th -.

No Mass today.

11.00am Mass of the Assumption – Rotherwas Chapel.

Tuesday 16th -.

7.00pm Mass (Rosary-7.30pm.). Sick of the Parish.

Wednesday 17th

No Mass today.

Thursday 18th .

9.30am Mass. Albert Piotr.

Friday 19th .

7.00pm Mass – Forgotten Souls.

Saturday 20th . St. Bernard

10.00am, Confessions, exposition and benediction.

11.00am Mass – Fr. Kevin McEwan.

(11.30am Church Cleaning.)

Sunday 21st – 21st Sunday of the Year.

9.30 am Mass In thanksgiving (H.L.)

11.30am Mass. Alojzy and Hilda Wagner – 50th Anniv.

3.00pm Pilgrimage to the Grave of John Kemble,

In Welsh Newton Churchyard.

6.30pm Mass People of the Parish.

Rota Schedule for 14th – 21st August.

Flower Arrangers. Maria and Carol Cleaners: Saturday
11.30am this week. Volunteers please.

Altar Linen: Annie Whitehead Counting–Celia and Janet
Ministries for Sunday 21st August.

Welcomers.

9.30.M. Whent, E. Pawlowicz, H. Kuriakose,

11.30. D. Scholfield & D. Lissaman.

6.30. Mr and Mrs. Seemarks.

Readers.

9.30. J. Sullivan 11. 30. G. Markham 6.30.V. Woods.

Eucharistic Ministers

9.30. Tim Bray, Helen Fishlock & Sarah Crowley 11.30.

Cecilia Balestra, Arthur Staton & Jim Meenaghan 6.30.

Jan Winter, Celia Sharland and Cynthia Fookes.

Polish Information:

Następna Msza Św w języku polskim odbędzie się w
niedzielę 28 Sierpnia o godz 16:00

COLLECTIONS – Gift Aid £151.40, 1st Collection
£237.61 £Average weekly standing orders £290.

Please pray for the Sick, Pat England, Marie Williams, Tess Forder, Agnes Lee, Emilia Dzierza, Pat Grealy, Albert Piotr, Ann Morris, Brian Morris, Alice Jones, Sue Watkins, Sheila Fawcett, Dymphna O’Neil, Andrew Walker, Sylvia Jones, Anna Foggo, Katie Richardson, Agnes McGowan, Michael Morris, Rita O’Leary, Joshua Isada, Petal O’Hea, Neil Hillyer, and all in our prayer book.

The recently dead – Tina McClean, Abbot Jerome Hodgkinson, Fr. Luke & Joanne Addis.

Those whose anniversary falls in August, Elizabeth Turner, Norman Michael, Neil Payne, Kathleen Jones, William Townsend, Ellen Parton, Tadeusz Radon, John Murray, Agnes Thomas, Monica Holt, John Nordell, Julianna Simon, June Szantay, Archibald Doherty, Ellen Gallagher, Francis Williams, Albert Kelly, Joseph Flanagan, Kathleen Morrell, Wilfred Jefferson, Mieczysław Wojtczak, Gary Bourne, Vera Taylor, Bridget Keenan, Michael Weaver, Wojciech Panek, Mary Norris, Agnieszka Wieclawek, Bridget Kinsella, Patricia Somerset-Butler, Christopher Burns and Simon Thomas.

CAFOD. Will be holding a meeting here, including a briefing on all their projects and work on Wednesday 14th September from 2.00pm – 5.00pm, in our parish meeting room. All Welcome.

TINTERN ABBEY – SUNG VESPERs, Sunday 4th September, 3.00pm. Poster at back of Church.

ANNUAL PILGRIMAGE TO THE GRAVE OF ST. JOHN KEMBLE – Next Sunday 21st August, 3.00pm Welsh Newton Graveyard, followed by Benediction in St. Mary’s Church, Monmouth. Fr. Matthew will be preaching this year!!

SCRIPTURE GROUP No meetings until September 7th. PARISH COUNCIL meeting 12th September 7.00pm.