



PARISH OF OUR LADY QUEEN OF MARTYRS

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31st Sunday of the Year - Year C – 30th October 2016.

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

November – Month of the Holy Souls.

Entrance Antiphon - ***“Forsake me not, O Lord, my God; be not far from me. Make haste and come to my help, O Lord, my strong salvation.”***

Responsorial psalm - ***“I will bless your name for ever, O God my King.”***

Gospel Acclamation - ***“Alleluia, alleluia! Blessings on the King who comes, in the name of the Lord! Peace in heaven and glory in the highest heaven. Alleluia!”***

Communion Antiphon – ***“You will show me the path of life, the fullness of joy in your presence, O Lord.”***

Sunday Mass Readings – Wisdom 11:22-12:2, Ps 144, 2Thess 1:11-2:2, Luke 19: 1-10.

FROM FR. MATTHEW.

This Tuesday is All Saints day, a holy day of obligation, masses at 9.15am and 7.00pm. Wednesday is All Souls, masses at 9.30am and 7.00pm. Envelopes for the traditional lists of the dead for the month of November are also available at the back of Church.

ICON – *The Icon of Blessed Roger Cadwallader which the parish has commissioned as part of our 20th anniversary celebrations has been received and is on display in Church. We are looking for parishioners to contribute towards the cost of the Icon, offerings which can be made in memory of a departed loved one. The Icon is costing £1000, so we are asking for benefactors to offer £100. Forms for this purpose are available at the back of Church. Thanks to those parishioners who have already offered sponsorship, so far £700.*

THE PILGRIMAGE OF PRAYER *marking the Archdiocesan 100th anniversary continues, as we pray this week for the parish of Saint Francis, Ely with Saint Clare, Revd. David O’Donnell, Revd. Deacon John Mullin, the Daughters of Charity of Saint Vincent de Paul and the Mary Immaculate High School*

REFLECTION – LOVER OF SOULS.

Our Lord is a lover of souls, the Liturgy shows us today. As we sing in today's Psalm, He is slow to anger and compassionate towards all that He has made. In His mercy, our First Reading tells us, He overlooks our sins and ignorance, giving us space that we might repent and not perish in our sinfulness (see [Wisdom 12:10](#); [2 Peter 3:9](#)). In Jesus, He has become the Savior of His children, coming himself to save the lost (see [Isaiah 63:8-9](#); [Ezekiel 34:16](#)). In the figure of Zacchaeus in today's Gospel, we have a portrait of a lost soul. He is a tax collector, by profession a "sinner" excluded from Israel's religious life. Not only that, he is a "chief tax collector." Worse still, he is a rich man who has apparently gained his living by fraud. But Zacchaeus' faith brings salvation to his house. He expresses his faith in his fervent desire to "see" Jesus, even humbling himself to climb a tree just to watch Him pass by. While those of loftier religious stature react to Jesus with grumbling, Zacchaeus receives Him with joy. Zacchaeus is not like the other rich men Jesus meets or tells stories about (see [Luke 12:16-21](#); [16:19-31](#); [18:18-25](#)). He repents, vowing to pay restitution to those he has cheated and to give half of his money to the poor. By his humility he is exalted, made worthy to welcome the Lord into his house. By his faith, he is justified, made a descendant of Abraham (see [Romans 4:16-17](#)). As He did last week, Jesus is again using a tax collector to show us the faith and humility we need to obtain salvation. We are also called to seek Jesus daily with repentant hearts. And we should make our own Paul's prayer in today's Epistle: that God might make us worthy of His calling, that by our lives we might give glory to the name of Jesus.

Dates for Your Diary

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

200 CLUB OCTOBER DRAW. The 1st monthly draw of the new 200 club has taken place. The winners were 1st prize £75 M. Cotterill no 67. 2nd Prize £25 K. Flatley no 18. The November draw takes place on Sunday 6th November. Membership is still open, forms at the back of Church, annual sub of £25. We have 120 members

Second Collection - World Mission Sunday Next Week - No 2nd Collection.

Tuesday devotions: *Divine Mercy Novena before Mass and mysteries of light of the rosary after.*

ALTAR SERVERS PRACTICE – There is a practice and get-together for all altar servers, especially for those who wish to serve at the celebration mass on 27th November on Sunday 13th November in Church from 2.30-4.00pm.

ALL SAINTS – This Tuesday is the Solemnity of All Saints and is a Holy Day of obligation, Masses are at 9.15am and at 7.00pm. Fr. Matthew will also be celebrating mass at St. Marys school at 11.00am.

ALL SOULS – This Wednesday is All Souls day when we remember and pray for the souls of all those who have died. At the parish masses on that day, 9.30am and 7.00pm we will especially remember all those who have died in the past year. The traditional holy souls envelopes are at the back of Church, all lists of the dead will be placed on the altar and mass offered every day for those names.

St Mary's Syro-Malabar Community Mass. The next mass is on Sunday 30th October at 2.30pm, with Holy Mass, Procession and Cultural Programme followed by refreshments in the parish hall. Please note the date in your diary and be encouraged to come along. Fr Jimmy Sebastian.

POLISH MASS – Every 4th Sunday of the month, mass is celebrated in Polish, next one is Sunday 23rd October 4pm.

CHRISTMAS DRAW TICKETS. The Christmas draw tickets are available at the back of Church please take some to sell to family and friends. Sheet at back of Church to offer the prizes for the draw.

20th ANNIVERSARY COMMITTEE – Next meeting of this committee is this Monday at 6.30pm.

WORLD MISSION SUNDAY – Thank you for your generosity to last weeks collection for World Mission Sunday. Please continue to pray for the work of Missio and the support it gives to Missionaries around the world, nearly £300 was given.

TREE WORKS. In the past week, tree surgeons have done a lot of work around the site, especially the area behind the church, which has been largely cleared.

SAINTS AND MARTYRS OF HEREFORDSHIRE' A day retreat on Saturday 19th November with Dom Andrew Berry and Lynne Surtees at Belmont Abbey, Herefordshire has been blessed with its own fair share of saints and martyrs. Dubricius (Dyfrig), Ethelbert, Thomas Cantilupe, Roger Cadwallador and John Kemble to name but a few. We examine their lives and witness. 10 am to 4 pm. No need to book. Tea and Coffee provided. Suggested Donation £8. (Bring Sandwiches) All Welcome

SCRIPTURE GROUP. Not meeting this week. **PARISH COUNCIL** this Monday 31st October 7.00pm.

SVP. The dates of our future meetings are Friday 11th November and 9th December.

1ST HOLY COMMUNION COURSE. Thanks to all those parents who attended the introductory meeting last Monday, 31 children have been enrolled on the course. The 1st Session is on Sunday 6th November immediately after the 9.30 am mass. There will also be a rite of enrolment at that mass, and a session for the parents after mass in Church. Late enrolments will be accepted, but parents must contact Fr. Matthew ASAP.

Anniversary Ceilidh: Tickets are now on sale for the big evening of our anniversary weekend on Saturday 26th November So come along, enjoy the live music from Sheila's Reels Ceilidh Band, dance, eat, drink and help us all celebrate the first 20 years of this beautiful building. Adults £5, under 16s £2. Price includes a ploughman's supper. Stop and buy your tickets after Mass or call Lindsaye on 07832 694284

ARAMAIC DAY RETREAT - at St. Peter's Church, Hereford Saturday, 26th of November with Susanne Wombacher. A prayer cycle sung in Jesus' original language of Aramaic. Come and discover the many layered richness of Jesus' mother tongue and thus find a renewed and expanded understanding of our oldest of Christian prayers. When we open the Aramaic window we hear the narrative of our human story, find the map of our shared journey and pray the Prayer of Unity. In the morning each phrase of

the Lord's Prayer in Aramaic will be taught, delving into the deeper resonances and levels of meaning of each word. In the afternoon we will sing and dance (with gentle meditative movements) the whole prayer cycle. what a better way to start the Advent Season ? Please bring vegetarian contributions for a shared lunch. Venue: St.Peter's Church ,Hereford HR12DL 10.30-4.30 Cost: £20 if booked, £25 on the day (contribution if unwaged) Susanne on 01432 261222 smwombacher@gmail.com Bookings to 5 Cantilupe St,

WIGL: The children of the WIGL group would like to thank everyone who brought in items or money for our Operation Christmas Child boxes last weekend. We have a few more weeks to reach our target of filling 20 boxes and raising £60 to cover their postage. Please see our board to look for ideas and leave any items in the green box underneath. Any children wanting to join our fabulous new group are very welcome in the hall at 10:45 on Sunday where we keep on "doing small things With Great Love."

FR. THOMAS REGAN OSB. Fr. Thomas will be celebrating mass here at Our Lady's on Tuesday 15th November at 12.00noon, he is unable to be with us for the 20th anniversary celebrations of the new church, but Fr. Cenydd will be with us.

2016/17 CONFIRMATION COURSE IN HEREFORD.

Enrolment is still open for late comers since we have already had the introductory meeting, please contact Fran Keogh ASAP (Email: fran.keogh1461@gmail.com Tel: 01432 840847), The first session will take place over the weekend of **Friday 4th and Saturday 5th November**. Forms are also available from Fr. Matthew.

PARISH SCHEDULE. 30th October – 6th November.

PSALTER WEEK 3. YEAR C SUNDAYS. ORDINARY WEEK 31, YEAR 2 WEEKDAYS.

Sunday 30th October – 31st Sunday of the Year

9.30 am Mass Linda and John Kistorz

11.30am Mass People of the Parish.

6.30pm Mass.

Monday 31st

9.30am Mass – Sick of the Parish.

6.30pm 20th Anniv Comm, 7.00pm Parish Council.

Tuesday 1st – SOLEMNITY OF ALL SAINTS

9.15am Mass – Mary Fisher 90th B'day. (School Mass.)

7.00pm Mass – Tess Forder.

Wednesday 2ND ALL SOULS.

9.30am Mass – Dec'd Parishioners of the past year.

7.00pm Mass - Dec'd Parishioners of the past year.

Thursday 3rd St. Martin de Porres.

9.30am Tess Forder & Nov Lists

Friday 4th St. Charles Borromeo.

7.00pm Mass. Forgotten Souls & Nov Lists

Saturday 5th Memorial of Our Lady.

10.00am Confessions, exposition and benediction.

11.00am Mass–Sebastian Wood & Nov Lists (11.30am Church Cleaning.)

Sunday 6th November – 32nd Sunday of the Year

9.30 am Mass Dorothy, Joseph, and Imelda Martin & Nov

Lists. 11.30am Mass Antony and Benjamin Busko & Nov

Lists. 6.30pm Mass. People of the Parish & Nov Lists.

Rota Schedule for 30th October-6th November.

Flower Arrangers. Leigh. Cleaners: Saturday 11.30am this week. Volunteers please.

Altar Linen - Barbare Spanjers. Counting - Marlene, John and Denise.

Ministries for Sunday 30th October.

Welcomers.

9.30. J. Sullivan and M. Slane. 11.30. J. McGowan and J. Kelly. 6.30. C. Milsom.

Readers.

9.30, F. Keogh. 11.30. V. Thomas. 6.30pm. G. McAleer.

Eucharistic Ministers

9.30. Celia Sharland, Jan Winter, Simon Thompson.

11.30. Kathy Davis, George Mecina, Janusz Wagner.

6.30. Chris Milsom, Daniel Coyne, Cynthia Fookes.

Polish Information:

Następna Msza Św w języku polskim odbędzie się w niedzielę 27 Listopada o godz 16:00

COLLECTIONS The 1st collection was £286.15

Gift aid £159.40 2nd Coll £292.06

Please pray for the Sick - Ross Jackson, Jo Aiello, Marissa Bartley, Ruth Carruthers, Pat England, Marie Williams, Orielle Bottoni, Agnes Lee, Emilia Dzierza, 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 – Tess Forder, John Kostorz, Francesca Burton & John Bindon, and those whose anniversary falls in November Joan Delaney, Amelia Perry, Cecil Evans, Moira Kelleher, Catherine Taylor, Rose Rivers, Terence Davies, Phyllis Jones, Edward Keogh, John Faraday, Bridget Mullens, Mary Matthews, Albert Williams, Ivor Brace, John Frayne, Timothy Langley, John Doherty, Rose Pick, Anthony Keogh, Harold Carroll, Timothy Dillon, Monica Thompson, Corrine Wiles and all those whose names are on the November lists of the dead

20th ANNIVERSARY WEEKEND – 25th-27th November.

Friday 25th. Mass at 7.00pm in Church, followed by opening of exhibition in the parish hall on the parishes history, building of the new church, and the martyrs and saints of Herefordshire, with videos and powerpoint presentations. Talk at 8.00pm from Lynne Surtees on the local martyr Blessed Roger Cadwallader and the Icon that the parish has commissioned of him; with refreshments. **Saturday 26th**, Exhibition open from 10.00am, with High Tea served from 3-4.00pm., with talk from Fr. Matthew on the local saints and martyrs, powerpoint displays and videos. 7.00pm Ceilidh, Tickets available shortly, adults £5, kids £2, with food and bar open. **Sunday 27th**. Mass at 10.30am, Celebrated by Archbishop George, followed by reception in Parish Hall.

HELP NEEDED - We are in need of photos and other memorabilia to use in the exhibition, Celia Sharland and Fran Keogh are organising it, please bring items to Church, marked with you name so they can be returned to you. We also need volunteers to man the exhibition on the Saturday, in one hour slots beginning at 10.00am, sign up sheet at the back of Church.

VENNTURE – PRESENTATION

There is a presentation on the work of the local charity “Venture “ at Our Lady’s Parish room, Belmont Rd, Hereford on Thursday 17th November from 7-9pm. Come along to find out more.

Organised by the Hereford RC Deanery Council.

Today, Hereford City Mission is renamed Vennture and remains a Christian cross-church initiative true to their original vision of loving those who are marginalised or vulnerable. Venntures work today relies on an army of rigorously trained volunteers, who all share a passion to make a difference by ‘Loving people better.’ The charity’s focus is on substantive, sustainable programmes that make a tangible difference for people facing significant challenges. All our people are united by a set of shared values and desire to share the Power of Jesus’ love in the public space. Vennture now runs 4 projects –

1. **Street Pastors** - Teams of trained church volunteers work in Hereford on busy weekend nights, keeping people safe, especially when they’re vulnerable. Every year one in 4 of Herefords 18-24year olds are helped by the street pastors.

2. **Family Pastors** - **Helping families to help themselves.** Volunteers come alongside families in their homes, for 1 hour a week. Listening, encouraging and supporting change. Helping some of Herefords over 1000 troubled families.

3. **Care more, respond faster.** Rigorously trained volunteers care for the injured or impaired in Hereford’s night time economy. Accurately assessing, supervising recovery and reuniting with friends and family, saving over 20 ambulance call outs a month.

4. **Ambassador teams** who volunteer in Hereford during the daytime to keep people safe, support the vulnerable and provide first aid. Their mission is to make Hereford an even better place to shop, visit and work. See www.vennture.org.uk for more info.