



**OUR LADY & ST BENEDICT'S CHURCH NEWSLETTER**

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7<sup>th</sup> – 8<sup>th</sup> Nov 2020

**32<sup>nd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time**

“The Bridegroom is here, go out and meet him.” Matt: 25: 1-13

**32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time Lectionary Year A. Psalter week 4**

***The Pope's Prayer intention for November Artificial Intelligence.***

We pray that the progress of robotics and artificial intelligence may always serve mankind.

Sat 7 <sup>th</sup> November	Optional Memorial of St Willibrord Bishop <b>Divine healing Maureen Walsh, Pat Creehan, Peggy Lennon</b> <b>Church Open for Private Prayer</b>	Mass 9.15 am In Private  <b>5.30 – 6.30</b>
Sun 8 <sup>th</sup> November	<b>32<sup>nd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time</b> <b>John Joe Malley RIP</b> Online Mass Live Stream via Zoom Password as Previous <b>Remembrance Sunday</b>	<b>Mass in Private</b> <b>Mass Online 10.00 am</b> <b>Second collection</b> <b>Catholic Education Service</b>
Mon 9 <sup>th</sup> Nov	Feast of the Dedication of the Lateran Basilica	Mass 9. 00 am In Private
Tue 10 <sup>th</sup> Nov	Memorial of St Leo the Great, Pope, Doctor of the Church	Mass 9.15 am In Private
Wed 11 <sup>th</sup> Nov	Memorial of St Martin De Tours, Bishop	No Mass
Thurs 12 <sup>th</sup> Nov	Memorial of St Josaphat, Bishop Martyr <b>Deceased member of the Rogers Family</b>	Mass 9.15 am In Private
Fri 13 <sup>th</sup> Nov	Feria in Ordinary Time,	Mass 9.15
Sat 14 <sup>th</sup> November	Optional Memorial of Our Lady on a Saturday <b>Ramon Cross RIP</b> <b>Church Open for Private Prayer</b>	Mass 9.15 am In Private  <b>5.30 – 6.30</b>
Sun 15 <sup>th</sup> November	<b>33<sup>rd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time</b> <b>Divine healing Maureen Walsh, Pat Creehan, Peggy Lennon</b> <b>Online Mass Live Stream via Zoom Password as Previous</b>	<b>Public Mass @ Mass Online 10.00 am</b> <b>Second collection</b> <b>Catholic Communications</b>

**Remembrance Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> November**

This Sunday our 10.00 mass, will be a special mass of remembrance for the civilians, military and all who have lost their lives in times of war. Our Primary School has made remembrance crosses which have been placed in front of our church.

**Prayer intentions**

Please pray for those on our parish sick list and all sick the elderly, the housebound, all who are self -isolating and all who care for them.

In this month of the Holy Souls, We pray for all our family and friends who have died, for those whose anniversaries are near, Lilian Jackson, Laurence McDermott, Gladys Baldry, Eileen Bates, Michel Lee Duncan Mulholland, and all who lost their lives through war, may they meet the Lord God in the glory and peace of the Heavenly Kingdom.

**Message from Fr Damian.**

By now you will have all seen the news of the new National lockdown for England. The Statement from the Bishops conference follows. While these are challenging times, we need to be there to support one another to get through this pandemic. Although we will be closed for public worship for the next four weeks, we will open on Saturday Night for Private Prayer. If you can please join the bishops call for a moment of prayer at 6.00 every evening for the ending of the Pandemic. Although I will not be able to see you in church for a few weeks, I will continue to offer my prayers in private daily mass for your intentions. If I can help any to you, please give me a call.

**Warwick Deanery Website:** [www.warwick-catholicdeanery.org.uk](http://www.warwick-catholicdeanery.org.uk).

**Follow the daily Readings at Mass** <https://universalis.com/mass.htm> or <https://www.alivepublishing.co.uk>

*The Parish is part of the Archdiocese of Birmingham Registered Charity No. 234*

## **Statement on the Four-Week National Lockdown in England and a Call to Prayer 4 November 2020**

Today, Parliament passed into law the Regulations governing many aspects of activity in the whole of England until Wednesday 2 December.

These Regulations prohibit the gathering of people for communal worship in churches and other religious buildings. Churches remain open and in use for activities other than communal worship, including personal prayer and support for those in need.

Funeral Masses and funeral services may be held. Please refer to the Regulations (for places of worship see paragraph 18) and associated Guidance.

Despite profound misgivings it is important that we, as responsible citizens, observe these Regulations, which have the force of law:

*“Remind them to be obedient to the officials in authority; to be ready to do good at every opportunity” Titus 3:1*

We do this in solidarity with so many others on whom are being imposed restrictions which impact severely on their lives and livelihoods.

It is also important to recognise that these Regulations are not an attack on religious belief. However, they do demonstrate a fundamental lack of understanding of the essential contribution made by faith communities to the well-being, resilience, and health of our society.

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.

### **Daily Prayer**

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 (21 November) as a day of prayer for the ending of this pandemic.

We encourage you all in your practical service and support of each other and those around you in need.

This pathway of prayer and service is the royal road we are to take as a gracious witness in our society today.

**Cardinal Vincent Nichols President**

**Archbishop Malcolm McMahon OP Vice-President**

### **Nanka School Water Project.**

We are on the final push to raise funds for our Nanka Water project. Through the school and Parish in 9 weeks or so we have raised over £6,600 towards our total target. A huge thanks to all who have helped us so far. In these difficult times the parish, the children and their parents at school have been outstanding in their response.

There is about a week left on the Crowdfunder page, please spare whatever you can, even if it is only the cost of a bottle of water or a cup of coffee to help finish this project and get us over the line.

The Children in class 5 are working hard, giving up pocket money, doing little jobs and challenges around their homes and with their families to raise £500 in their Jar. When they get £500 in the jar every pupil in Class 5 gets to throw water over Father Damian. He needs to get his towel ready.

Our flower Ladies have raised £150.00 from the sale of Jams. There are a few Jars and IOU's outstanding, so there is a chance of more sales. Thanks to all who helped.

If you would like to donate in this final push, please leave a donation with the Church or the School or through the Crowdfunder page. **This is the link to the Crowdfunder fundraising page**

<https://www.crowdfunder.co.uk/water-for-nanka-1>

### **Needed! Sewing machines for Nanka Nigeria.**

Have you got a sewing machine you no longer use taking up space in your attic? There are trained machinists in Nanka who cannot work because they have no machine. I am looking to send a shipment of machines with material (cotton/silk/wool and thread) over to Nanka to empower those who have the skills but lack equipment. Please email me at [louisesandford@btinternet.com](mailto:louisesandford@btinternet.com) if you have a machine or supplies to donate so that I can see if can make this work.

### **MISSIO RED BOX 'Here I am, send me!'**

If you have a Red Box it is time to get it emptied to send on, please contact **Mary Clarke on 01564 795396**, or drop the parish email a message on [olandsb@gmail.com](mailto:olandsb@gmail.com) or leave the box with Fr Damian. If you would like to have a Red box in your home to collect for Missio throughout the year, please contact Mary

### **Church Opening for Private Prayer Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> November 2020. HANDS- FACE- SPACE**

There are posters around the church that identify the location, where you can scan the QR code on a smart phone as part of the Government's track and trace if you have the app installed.

Can we ask all attending to please follow the guidance we have issued; this is for your own benefit as well as other worshippers attending for prayer. Please follow the steward's directions.

**If you or your family have the symptoms of COVID 19 please do not come to the church**