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Solemnity of All Saints

Sun. 1 Nov.	10.0 am. Mass- <u>Public</u> and Streamed	Dec'd of Sullivan Family
	12.0 pm. Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament-Streamed	
Mon. 2 Nov.	10.0 am. Mass - <u>Public</u> and Streamed	Martin McCarthy
Tues. 3 Nov.	10.0 am. Mass – Streamed	David Morris
Wed. 4 Nov.	10.0 am Mass - <u>Public</u> and Streamed	Morey Family
Thurs 5 Nov.	<u>No Mass Today</u>	
Fri. 6 Nov.	10.0 am. <u>Mass - Streamed</u>	
Sat. 7 Nov.	10.0 am. <u>Mass – Streamed</u>	Holy Souls (At St. Gerard)
Sun. 8 Nov.	10.0 am. Mass- Streamed	

Diocesan Prayer Link –St. Luke and St. Teresa (Wincanton), St. Mary (Mere) with Milborne Port, Castle Cary and Bruton.

Scripture Readings This Week:

Mon. Is.25: 6-9. Mt..11: 25-30. **Tues.** Phil.2: 5-11. Lk.14: 15-24 **Wed.** Phil. 2: 12-18. Lk.14: 25-33.

Thur. Phil. 3: 3-8. Lk.15: 1-10. **Fri.**Phil.3: 17-4:1. Lk.16: 1-8. **Sat.**Phil..4: 10-19. Lk.16: 9-15.

Feast Days & Memorials This Week

Mon. Commemoration of All Faithful Departed (All Souls' Day).

Tues. St. Martin de Porres, St. Winifrede **Wed.** St.Charles Borromeo **Sat.** St. Willibrord

Sunday 1 November - Feast of All Saints

Today we celebrate the Feast of All Saints, a feast that brings into focus all those who lead good and often holy lives but are not officially recognised by the Church as being 'Saints'. The church introduced this feast in order to recognise the early Christian martyrs, many of whom were never known by name but who lived faithful Christian lives and who died for their faith. We may not have known anyone who has died for their faith but most of us have met people who have devoted their life to living the values of the Gospel. They are the people who strive to live generously and compassionately. These people are not heroic in the normal sense of the word, but their lives often are heroic. They are the people who are ready go the extra mile for others and then slip away un-noticed. When we think of holiness what do we imagine? Perhaps one definition of holiness is the capacity to live without hankering after the past or imagining the future but being able to focus on the present moment. Such people are attentive to what is going on around them and in doing so can respond to whatever is asked of them. During the pandemic we have seen many such people, heroically giving endlessly to meet the needs of others. These are the blessed people. Today's Gospel invites each one of us live humble, peaceful, and wholesome (holy) lives with Christ at the heart of all our actions and words.

Sick & Housebound – Please remember in your prayers all the sick and housebound, in particular, those recently sick – Rina Kerby, Stephen Hooper, Tom Lewis, Lena Buck, Harry Jenkins, Kathleen Farrell, John Shoemake, Simon Jenkins, William Hewitt, Malachi Moran, Wayne Parrock, Mary Sheehan, Miriam King, Carmel Jenkins, James Barr, Aileen Milkins, Sophie Dewland, Lorna Sandland, Kate Smith, Peter Cooke, Mary Mulcahy.

Please also remember in your prayers all whose anniversaries occur at this time- Agatha Sims, Hannah Day, David Morris, John Windows, Andrew Polland, John Stadden, Royston Malin, Elizabeth Lane, Diane Shoemake, Charles McViegh, Marian Devine, Edith Baker, Betty Bull, Alice Fitzgerald, Phyllis Deady, Tom Hanley, Fred Coombs.

NOVEMBER MONTH OF THE HOLY SOULS

During the month of November we pray for the Holy Souls in Purgatory. We also remember those dear to us who have died, family, friends and the deceased of our parish. Remember, that Purgatory is on the threshold or the gateway of heaven, it is where we encounter the healing fire of God's boundless love and mercy. It prepares us for the fullness of life with God. It is a long-standing tradition to write out the names of those who have died and place these lists of names, known as the November Dead List in a basket below the altar during the month of November. Please place lists in the basket in the porch, these will then be transferred to the basket under the altar. All those named will be remembered at all Masses throughout the month. Eternal rest grant unto them O Lord. And let perpetual light shine upon them. May they rest in peace. Amen.

Joan O'Sullivan A Requiem Mass will be celebrated for Joan on Wednesday 18th November at 10.00am. Joan's graveside funeral is on Friday the 6th Nov. Joan's family would like to express their thanks for all the prayers, cards and flowers they have received. Please continue to remember Joan's family and friends in your prayers. May she rest in peace.

UCM

Joan Sullivan -until the last couple of years Joan was a member of UCM & was also a past President . Joan was a lovely quiet & unassuming lady who will be sadly missed by everyone that knew her specially UCM & the Over 50's club . Please keep Joan & her family in your prayers.

Cafod "100 Club

The second draw of the 2020/2021 season took place on Wednesday 28 October. The prize-winners were:- First £68.25 Chris. O'Brien (38), Second £40.95 Lily Adam-Shaw(51), Third £27.30 Barbara Harrison (34)

Remembrance Sunday 8 November 2020

Poppies for Remembrance Day are on sale in the church porch

Collection Counting

Our counting teams will resume operating from **Wednesday 4 November**, Counters for the month of November:-Angela Morgan (Leader), Mike O'Leary, Marian Johnstone.

Main Xmas Draw

Please remember to write your name, telephone number & amount of ticket donation on the front of an envelope & pop it into the box provided in the church porch . Brendan or Marsha will be on hand both before & after the 10.0 public Sunday & Wednesday Morning Masses

The list of prizes is as follows:

£250 Cash, Hamper, £50 Cash, Box of 6 Bottles wines, £25 Cash, Bottle of Whisky, Bottle of Brandy, An Assortment of Chocolates .

Remember you have to be in it to win it!!

Please give Brendan a call 0117 9092534 or Marsha 07954585347 if you need your entry envelope to be collected. Your support is very much needed & appreciated. Thank You

Collection Boxes

The Perspex collection box usually located in the porch has now been replaced by 2 new boxes which are placed in the church attached to the hymn books storage shelves. Please put your weekly donations into these new boxes but please use our parish envelopes or mark your envelopes clearly to designate the purpose of the donation.

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