

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

One day, when we shall be in the beatitude of heaven, as it is my hope, trusting in the mercy of God, it will be seen that all our fears, for ourselves and our loved ones, about the passing from the wretchedness of this world to the eternal peace and joy of heaven, were a great mistake; but we must seek to belong utterly to the Lord, while we have the time.

Antonio Rosmini

Next Week's Gospel Reading First Sunday in Advent

Gospel – Luke 21:25-28, 34-36

“There will be signs in the sun, the moon, and the stars, and on the earth distress among nations confused by the roaring of the sea and the waves. People will faint from fear and foreboding of what is coming upon the world, for the powers of the heavens will be shaken. Then they will see ‘the Son of Man coming in a cloud’ with power and great glory. Now when these things begin to take place, stand up and raise your heads, because your redemption is drawing near.”

“Be on guard so that your hearts are not weighed down with dissipation and drunkenness and the worries of this life, and that day does not catch you unexpectedly, like a trap. For it will come upon all who live on the face of the whole earth. Be alert at all times, praying that you may have the strength to escape all these things that will take place, and to stand before the Son of Man.”



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Week starting 24th November 2018

34th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sunday Collections - Thank you for last Sunday's offertory collection which amounted to £1484.50.

This Week-end Second Collection will be for Catholic Youth Service. Please give generously.

Month of November- we pray for the souls of all our departed brothers and sisters. May they rest in peace.

First Communion Enrollment – is today, Sunday the 25th at 10am Mass. We hope to see all the Children & parents.

Please Come around to support our Christmas market next Saturday from 12pm to 3pm

Christmas Luncheon – Our retired parishioners are invited to join us for the Christmas lunch on Friday 7th December beginning with Holy Mass at 11.30am. It is a beautiful occasion for all our parishioners to attend with Rugby School singing at Mass and Carols from our Primary school. If you would like to attend, but have not previously done so, or if you know of anyone who should be on our list. please advise the office, or Fr. Tom.

Christmas Raffle Tickets - on sale after all Masses £1 per Ticket or £5 per book. Prizes includes 1st £100, 2nd Jamesway travel voucher, 3rd Hamper basket etc...

Red Wednesday- on Wednesday 28th of November people across UK will be standing together in solidarity for the world's persecuted Christians. Please do pray for this cause.

AMAZing Value Stall- May and Louise would like to thank everybody for the generous donations made so far. We are still collecting gifts, toiletries, perfume and jewelry. We even have a use for broken jewelry! If you would like anything collecting just phone May on 01788 813879 or Louise on 07876656398.

Cake stall- we are calling on all our bakers in the parish to bake a few cakes for our cake stall for the Christmas market and anyone who can donate a cake on the day of the Christmas Market we would be very grateful. Please bring to the parish hall anytime after 10am on 1st December. Thank you.

New- OFFERTORY PROCESSION ROTAS are now available in the Sacristy.

Advent time with Children- I'd like to share some great resources that can be used for children's liturgy or just shared with families. These Advent resources specifically focus on the ancient tradition of the Jesse Tree. Sample PDFs and free copies of the Jesse Tree resource are available to encourage this creative way to read the Scriptures as part of our Advent preparations. Please let Fleur Dorrell, the Scripture Development Co-ordinator Fleur.Dorrell@biblesociety.org.uk know how many you would like and the address with which to send these resources.

APF / Red Boxes – Would all promoters please collect their envelopes from the porch Sunday 1st December and return the collected money by Sunday 23rd December. Thank you.

Our Lady's Statue- if anyone wants to sponsor the statue of our lady you are welcome to do so. The cost of the statue is £250. Please speak to Fr. Tom.

A Very Warm Welcome to St. Marie's!

Have you joined us for the first time?

Please complete a card from the main porch and hand it to the clergy & introduce yourself.

Come and meet other parishioners for coffee or tea in the Parish Halls after weekday or Sunday morning Mass

NB Please remember to inform the Parish Office if you move house or change your contact details.

Parish Office opens from 09.10 – 12.40 on Wednesday to Friday

IN THE PARISH continued...

Life Shop-Thank you as ever to donors, supporters and volunteers at the Life shop in Rugby. A different sort of appeal today, in addition to the regular ones for donations and volunteers - as the fridge we've had since the start of the shop six years ago has broken down. If anybody thinks they might be able to help with a replacement, please get in touch with Lorna or Yolannys at the shop 01788 567435.

Christmas Market- please do not hesitate to bring items for Christmas Market to the parish office or sacristy. Items includes books/ DVD/ bottles/ any other gifts. We are looking for volunteers to help us on Friday and Saturday in setting up and taking down etc... If you can help please speak to Fr. Tom

Sponsor a Brick/Angel - the plaque commemorating the loved ones of all those who sponsored a Brick or an Angel is now in place in the Memorial Chapel.

Diocese of Westminster Marriage and Family Life team have joined forces to produce a series of imaginative contemplations to help families journey alongside the Holy Family in prayer this Advent.

www.pathwaystogod.org/imagining-nativity

Trees by the infant School wall- as you may all notice that Fergus and Eugene Deery have done an excellent job in clearing the accumulation of mud around the trees and clearing the branches growing by the lime trees. I am looking still for more volunteers to clear the branches growing around the trees. You may come and do them in your own time when the weather is better. It will be very expensive to build that wall if it is damaged. Please speak to Fr. Tom if you can help.

Walk with me – booklet with advent readings and reflections are available now. Please take them home for your reflections and prayer. Thank you.

Sunday Lunch by 'Hibbert's Kitchen' will take place this **Sunday 25th November 12:30-2:30pm**. Contact Hibbert's Kitchen - hibbertskitchen@gmail.com or telephone 07596265871.

Hibbert's Kitchen's- Christmas meal is on the Friday the 14th December at 6 p.m. Please contact them to reserve your table. Thank you.

Parish Priest's Diary:

Monday:- meetings/prison training session in Hibbert's 3.30pm

Tuesday:- House visits

Wednesday:- Meetings

Thursday:- Rosminian area meeting/ Mass

Friday:- Communion round.

MASS TIMES & INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

24th November - 1st December 2018

SATURDAY 24th November – St. Andrew Dung-Lac

Confessions 5.30 to 5.55 p.m.

Mass at 6.00 p.m. for May Hull R.I.P.

SUNDAY 25th November - Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King Of The Universe (Youth Day)

Confessions from 9.30 a.m. - 9.55 a.m.

Mass at 10 a.m. for Margaret Maloney R.I.P.

Polish Mass at 12.30 p.m.

Mass at 6.00 p.m. for John Fahey R.I.P.

MONDAY 26th November

Mass at 10 a.m. for UCM Intentions

Adoration 8 a.m. – 7 p.m. in the church. (Morning Prayer at 8:50 a.m.)

Mass at 7.00 p.m. for Guy Richard Gerard Attungue R.I.P.

Oratory Mass- Dinesh Tyagi R.I.P.

TUESDAY 27th November

Mass at 10 a.m. for Bill Morgan R.I.P.

Oratory Mass- Zygmunt, Jean & Donald Borowski R. I.P.

WEDNESDAY 28th November

Mass at 10.00 a.m. for Teresa & Michael Collins R.I.P.

Requiem at 12 p.m. Anthony Patrick O'Neill

Oratory Mass- Arthur and Marie Spencer R.I.P.

THURSDAY 29th November -

Mass at 10 a.m. for Well-Being of Peter Croucher

Requiem at 11.30 p.m. Alun Rees

Oratory Mass- Woods & Merrigan Family R.I.P.

Choir Practice - 7:45 p.m. in Church.

FRIDAY 30th November – Feast of St. Andrew

Mass at 10 a.m. for Maurice Stanley R.I.P.

Oratory Mass- Fred & Dolores Leach R.I.P.

SATURDAY 1st December – Feast of St. Edmund Campion

Mass at 9:30 a.m. for All Parishioners

Confessions 10 to 11a.m.

Oratory Mass- Ben & May O'Farrell

Coach House- is open for Christmas Cards, Calenders, cribs etc...

Please visit.

✠ PLEASE PRAY FOR ALL THOSE WHO ARE SICK: ✠

Tom Donnelly, Derek Larkin, Sharon Colleran, Rachel Mears, Baby Freddie Fereday, Elsie Johnson, Piotr Fior. William Hearn, Gordon Henderson, Sofia Roman Garcia, Hattie Taylor.

✠ RECENTLY DIED ✠

Alun Rees

✠ FOR THOSE WHOSE ANNIVERSARIES FALL AROUND THIS TIME: ✠

Ann Cooper, Jerzey Bruckert, Gordon Hartley