



ST MARY'S CATHOLIC PARISH BREWOOD

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29th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Saturday 21 st October	5.00pm	Vigil Mass	Mary Pritchard RIP
Sunday 22 nd October	9.00am	Sunday Mass (in Penkridge)	People of the parish
	11.00am	Sunday Mass	Baby Nellie Rose
Monday 23rd Feria	9.00am	Holy Mass	Tom O'Shea RIP
Tuesday 24th Feria	9.00am	Holy Mass	Tony Stevens RIP
Wednesday 25th Feria		No Mass	
Thursday 26th Feria	5.00pm	<u>Adoration and</u> <u>Benediction</u>	Margaret Clews & family SI
	6.00pm	Holy Mass	
Friday 27th Feria	9.15am	Holy Mass	Maureen Stanton

30th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Saturday 28 th October	4.30 – 4.45pm 5.00pm	Confessions Sunday Vigil Mass	Madeleine Jordan RIP
Sunday 29 th October	9.00am	Sunday Mass (in Penkridge)	Private Int
	11.00am	Sunday Mass	People of the parish

Please join us for refreshments in the Hall after the 11am Sunday Mass

The Sacrament of Confession is celebrated every Saturday 4.30-4.45pm or after each weekday Mass or by appointment.

Welcome to Mass on this 29th Sunday in Ordinary Time. This Sunday is World Mission Day, a day of prayer for the Church's missionary across the world. In his message specially for today, Pope Francis encourages us all to set hearts ablaze with God's love and compassion for 'everyone has the right to receive the Gospel and we, as Christ's followers, have the duty to proclaim it without excluding anyone.' There is a retiring collection this weekend for the work of MISSIO (also known as APF) who support our missionary work from the UK across the world.

Commitment Mass – This Sunday at the 11am Mass we welcome the children preparing for the sacrament of Confirmation which will be celebrated here on 28th November at 7pm by Archbishop Bernard. The children will be accompanied with their parents, who will be making a formal commitment to support their children on this important journey of faith, especially by bringing them to Mass every Sunday. Please make them very welcome and keep them in your prayers.

Social Committee Meeting – There will be a meeting this Thursday 26th October to plan our Cheese and Wine evening. Please make sure to come along to help us plan this.

Reception into the Church – Please keep Matt Rudd in your prayers who will be received into the Church and Confirmed next Sunday at the 11am Mass.

Prayer and Fasting for the Holy Land - The Catholic Patriarch of Jerusalem has asked the world to fast and pray for peace in the Holy Land. Perhaps make this a special prayer intention this week and add some fasting as part of our intercession before the Lord.

MONTH OF NOVEMBER

Solemnity of All Saints – On Wednesday 1st November the Church celebrates All Saints Day, for us a Holy Day of Obligation. Please make sure you attend Mass that day either in your parish or elsewhere. The Mass will be celebrated at St Mary's at 7pm.

All Souls' Day – Thursday 2nd November is the Commemoration of the Faithful Departed. The Mass that day will be celebrated at 6pm and we invite all our parishioners to attend.

November List of the Dead - As is our custom at St Mary's, we invite you to put the names of your deceased loved one in November List of the Dead

which is available at the back of the church. This will be placed in our Remembrance Book and everyone will be remembered at parish Masses throughout November.

Blessing of the Graves – Following the 11am Remembrance Sunday Mass (12th November) there will be a short service with blessing of graves at St Mary's churchyard.

Mass for the Bereaved - Our November Mass for the bereaved will be held at the end of November (date to be confirmed). It will be offered for those in our November Remembrance Book and also for those whose funerals have been celebrated in our church in the last two years. Please invite to anyone who may find comfort and strength in this Mass.

OTHER PARISH ITEMS

Booking Masses – If you would like to book a Mass please use the Mass Booking envelopes at the back of the church. We now have plenty of new ones.

Parish Finances – A big thank you to everyone for supporting your parish financially by your generous contributions. Just to remind you, there are three options of giving – Direct Debit, Planned Giving envelopes and Sunday Collections. Out of these Direct Debit is the easiest and the best option for the parish. If you're a taxpayer please also consider signing up to the **Gift Aid** scheme. Gift Aiding your contributions makes a huge difference to parish income at no extra expense to you. Every pound you contribute to the parish enables us to claim of 25p back. This makes an incredible difference. Please take the information handout at the back from the archdiocese for more information.

Interested in being Catholic? – If you are thinking of becoming a Catholic or know of someone who is please speak to Fr Tomas. We would be glad to accompany you on your journey of faith.

If you are going into hospital, please contact Fr Tomas in order to receive the sacrament of the Sick before you go. When you are admitted to the hospital, you will have to explicitly ask for the catholic chaplain to be informed you are there.

If you know of a parishioner with a serious/long-term illness or who is dying, please let Fr Tomas know so that he can get in touch and arrange a visit.

Food Bank – There is a basket at the back of the church where you can leave non-perishable items that will then be given to The Well, our local Food Bank.

Please pray for the sick, especially Adam Dent, Clive Baker, Jean Ellson, Susan McLuckie, Maggie Morris, Mary Stokes, Frank Birch, Deacon Stephen Gee, Philip & Christine Elson, Bill Baker, Bernard Boyes and Gerald Kierans.

COLLECTION

Weekend of 15th October 2023

Loose:	Brewood	Penkrige
	£106.31	£39.80

Gift Aid	£88.00	
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TOTAL: £234.11

The total Gift Aid S/O for September was £1044.50
(weekly average £261.12)

The Parish operates in accordance with Statutory Safeguarding Guidance and the National and Archdioceses policies & procedures at all times. Our Parish Safeguarding Representative is Colette Hughes. She can be contacted at sg.stmary.brewood@rcaob.org.uk or alternatively the Diocesan Safeguarding team can be contacted on 0121 230 6240 or safeguarding@rcaob.org.uk if you have any concern.