

NOVEMBER INDULGENCES FOR THE HOLY SOULS: A plenary indulgence may be gained from noon of 1st November to midnight on 2nd November, applicable only to the Holy Souls, when you: 1. Visit a church and say there for the souls in Purgatory one Our Father and the Creed. 2. Visit a cemetery between 1st and 8th November and pray there for the dead. In both instances make a good confession within the week before or after and be free from all attachment to sin, Also, say one Our Father and Hail Mary for the Pope's monthly intentions and receive Holy Communion worthily on the same day or soon after. If you don't manage to fulfil all these conditions, the indulgence is partial.

TUESDAY 1st NOVEMBER is the Solemnity of All Saints and is a *Holyday of Obligation*. Masses are at 9.15am and 7.00pm.

WEDNESDAY 2nd NOVEMBER is All Souls Day. Masses are at 9.15am, followed by the Blessing of Graves at the cemetery, and also at 7.00pm.

RCIA: The next meeting will be held in the front room of the presbytery at 7.30pm on **Thursday 3rd November**. If you were unable to come to the last meeting, you will be most welcome to attend. *Bernie McEnery*

NEXT ASCRIBED MEETING: Thursday 3rd November, 7.30pm at the Convent.

CONFIRMATION AND FIRST HOLY COMMUNION 2017: Completed application forms must be handed into the presbytery by **Wednesday 2nd November**.

CATHOLIC? GOING TO UNIVERSITY THIS YEAR? Make sure you look out for your Catholic Chaplaincy! Most of our universities and institutes of higher education have a dedicated Catholic Chaplain based in the university or a local parish. The Catholic Chaplaincy is a place for you to explore your faith as a young adult, to meet other young people with similar interests from a great range of backgrounds, and to get involved in activities and social outreach. If you already have a strong faith, this is a chance to deepen it. If you are full of questions and doubts, this is a chance to share them and search for some honest answers about life and faith. Everyone is welcome. To find your local Chaplaincy, and for contact details of all the University Chaplains and Catholic societies, visit the CathChaps website at CCCHE Catholic Chaplaincies – University Catholic Chaplaincies in England and Wales

ITEMS FOR THE NEWSLETTER: If you are sending a notice for the newsletter by email, please send it to **BOTH** newsletter@stmarysloughborough.org.uk AND office@stmarysloughborough.org.uk to ensure it is picked up by both Marion & Louise.

LAST WEEK'S FINANCE

First collection: £711	Mission Sunday: £207
Standing orders: £630	<i>Thank you</i>



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Fr Philip Sainter, Parish Priest; Fr Paul Gillham, Assistant Priest

In community: Fr Charles Sormany and Fr Simon Giles

Newsletter for Sunday 30th October 2016
Thirty First Sunday in Ordinary Time (C)

Psalter Week 3

Pondering the Teachings of the Church: Purgatory

The month of November is dedicated to the Holy Souls in Purgatory. The Catechism of the Catholic Church defines PURGATORY as a "purification, so as to achieve the holiness necessary to enter the joy of heaven," which is experienced by those "who die in God's grace and friendship, but still imperfectly purified" (CCC 1030). It notes that "this final purification of the elect . . . is entirely different from the punishment of the damned" (1031). Purification is necessary because, as Scripture teaches, nothing unclean will enter the presence of God in heaven (Rev 21:27) and, while we may die with our mortal sins forgiven, there can still be many impurities in us, specifically venial sins and the temporal punishment due to sins already forgiven (c.f.1032).

Thus, throughout November the Church commemorates in a special way all her faithful children who have departed from this life, but have not yet attained the joys of heaven. St. Paul warns us that we must not be ignorant concerning the dead, nor sorrowful: "At the signal given by the voice of the Archangel and the trumpet of God, the Lord himself will come down from heaven; those who have died in Christ will be the first to rise ..." (1Thess 4:16). The Old Testament too speaks of prayers and alms being offered for the souls of the dead "so that they might be released from their sin." (2Macc12:43 ff; also Ps 35 13; 1Sam 1:31; 2Sam 1:12)

Please pray for the dead and have Masses offered for the repose of their souls.

Please note:

Friday 11th November, 7.00pm: Mass for the Bereaved of the Parish.

Wednesday 16th November, 7.00pm: Meeting of the Parish Team with group leaders or their representatives.

MASS TIMES & INTENTIONS AT ST. MARY'S

<u>Sat</u>	29 th	1730-1755 1800	<i>Sacrament of Reconciliation + on request</i> Giovanni Brunetti RIP and Michele & Filomena Paoella RIP
<u>Sun</u>	30 th	0900 1030-1055 1100 1245 1600	Giuseppe & Francesca Bosco RIP <i>Presentation of Roran Kilbride</i> <i>Sacrament of Reconciliation + on request</i> Luciano Garelli RIP Polish Mass Italian Mass
<u>Mon</u>	31 st	0915	For the Parish
<u>Tues</u>	1 st	<u>All Saints (SOLEMNITY) Holyday of Obligation</u>	
		0915	Deceased members of Castillo Family <i>Parish Mass and School Mass in Church</i>
		1900	Wilf Kidd RIP
<u>Weds</u>	2 nd	<u>All Souls – The Commemoration of All The Faithful Departed</u>	
		0915	Stanislavo & Concetta Sparano RIP
		1000	Blessing of Graves at Loughborough Cemetery
		1115	Latin Mass
		1900	Holy Souls
<u>Thurs</u>	3 rd	0915	Nora Lillian Hutchings RIP (Anniversary)
<u>Fri</u>	4 th	0915	Senior Citizens' Group
		1730	Novena – Filipino Community
		1800	Parish/Filipino Mass
<u>Sat</u>	5 th	0915	Elizabeth Prendergast RIP (Anniversary)
		1000-1100	<i>Adoration and Reconciliation in Church</i>

MORNING PRAYER: 9.00am, Monday-Friday inclusive, before 9.15am Mass

THIS WEEK AT ST. MARY'S

<u>Tues</u>	1 st	1845	Rosary & Divine Mercy – Church
		1925-2025	NO Scripture & Tradition Group
		1930	Visiting Group – Front Room
<u>Thurs</u>	3 rd	1900-2100	Craft and Chat – Library
		1930	Ascribed Meeting – Convent
		1930	RCIA – Front Room – All newcomers very welcome!
<u>Fri</u>	4 th	1700-2100	Filipino Community – Church Hall
<u>Sat</u>	5 th	1000	Baptism Class (by appointment) – Church

PLEASE PRAY for those who have recently died: - may they rest in peace.

and for those whose anniversaries occur at this time: Elsie Bowler, Angie Hicken, Wilfred Orton, Giuseppina Mazzotti, Margaret Nutt, Vinezza Lallo, Antoni Michalski, Eileen Hatley, Joseph Allan, Mary Hudson, Elena Keetley, Margaret Cramp, Margarete Szczur, Bob Moore, Jerzy Stepowski, Elizabeth Prendergast and Nora Lillian Hutchings.

PARISH VOICE: Sincere apologies to all who were given the wrong edition of the Parish Voice magazine after the 9.00am mass last Sunday 23rd October. Please take a copy of the Autumn Edition from the repository at no extra cost.

OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD - Christmas Shoebox Appeal: If you would like to fill a Shoebox with gifts for a child in need, there will be free pre-printed boxes available for you to pick up from the repository on a first-come-first served basis. You can also wrap your own Shoebox too! Please look at the website for details of what you are allowed to include: <https://www.samaritans-purse.org.uk/what-we-do/operation-christmas-child/>. You can drop off your box at 'Shoezone' in Loughborough between 1st and 18th November. Thank you.
Sue Davies

CHRISTMAS FAIR: Donations for the tombola and bottle stall are needed. Please could you give any contributions to UCM members or leave in the parish office to be collected. Please label 'For Christmas Fair'. Thank you.

MESSAGE FROM FR PAUL: If you know of any parishioner who is sick, in hospital, or in need of a visit from one of our priests, **please let Fr Philip or Fr Paul know!** They cannot know that a sick parishioner is asking to see a priest if no-one mentions it! ***

ROTAS: Copies of the new rota for Welcomers, Readers & Eucharistic Ministers are now available at the back of the church.

EXAIREO: An Exaireo resident is running a tombola to raise money to help refugees. All types of chocolate welcome. Please give to Catherine Brady or leave in the office. Thank you.

ST MARY'S SPUC GROUP: Since the death of Arthur Clarke, who started and ran our Parish SPUC group for several years, the meetings and activities of our group have ceased. We must start again. Our next meeting will be on **Monday 14th November** at 7pm in the presbytery. We would like to invite all our past members to attend, and do hope to have many more people joining.
Fr. Charles

Notes for your diary: Sunday 20th November, Feast of Christ the King, End of the Year of Mercy, 9.00am: Youth Mass. All First Holy Communion and Confirmation candidates and their parents are asked to attend.

Sunday 27th November, First Sunday in Advent, 9.00am Mass: Formal welcome of all First Holy Communion and Confirmation candidates

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PLEASE PRAY for those who are sick: Justin Johns, Kevin and Olive Chapman, Sue Moreland, Stewart Brady, Malcolm Leafe, Phillip Dew, Roger Hubank, Rowena Orton, Ann Checketts, Vera Cunningham, Barbara Watkins, Crispin Castillo, Frank Chatonda, Holly Jones, Reuben Farrant (aged 8), Jack Murray, Brenda Schuler, Vera Hurry, Andrew Spicer, Margaret Stanford, Christina Mortell, Clelia Paciolla, Freddie Hess, Margaret Woodhouse, Pauline Davey (nee Woodhouse), Lee Raven, Louise Raven, Danilo Salvador, Christopher Browne, John Beasley, David and Claire Potter, Caroline Hillyer, Jamie, Mark, Stephen Coultas, Jane Moss, Brian Smith, Jean Hooper, David Hart, Eddie Hamilton, Katie Mercer, Hannah Bechler, Rosinah, Alan and Judith Creighton, Val Wells.