

# St Mary of the Annunciation Catholic Church

32nd SUNDAY IN  
ORDINARY TIME

# NEWSLETTER

## Remembrance Sunday



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*Served by the Rosminians*

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Remembrance Sunday was first observed in 1945 to remember the dead of both World Wars, and is observed on the Sunday nearest 11th November, the anniversary of the end of the First World War in 1918. Today Remembrance Sunday embraces all battles up to the present day so as we remember the dead of all these wars. No one can deny the heroism of the men and women on both sides who gave their lives for their country, their family and their friends. **From our Catholic point of view, we don't merely remember them – we pray for their souls**, that those being purified in Purgatory arrive soon in Heaven. We remember especially those who died suddenly on the battlefield with severe injuries, and with little or no preparation to meet God. It is for them particularly we offer the Sacrifice of the Mass today and pray for them in earnest, that God grant them eternal rest and peace. We remember also the **chaplains** who gave their lives administering the Last Rites to the dying on the battlefield, preparing these brave men for their particular judgment.

By the time World War I had finished, as many as 40,000 British Military had converted to the Catholic Faith during the four years of fighting. One example was **Bernard Berlyn**. Before the war, he was an **Anglican clergyman** and became a military chaplain when war was declared. In letters he sent home he remarked how indifferent the Anglican soldiers appeared to be to their religion, even while at the front. In contrast he noted how devout the Catholic soldiers were, and he would watch them as they crowded around their chaplain for absolution before going into battle. And he wrote, **“In the hour of their need they [Catholics] turned to it as naturally as a child to its mother ... I saw in that terrible time something of the real Catholic spirit of the Church – the French, English, Belgians, and even the German prisoners, all receiving the same Sacraments from the same English priest.”** And he wrote that at this point, **“The scales fell from my eyes, and I saw the**



*St Martin of Tours*

**Please pray for those who are sick**

**for those who have recently died**

Phyllis Ragg

*May she rest in peace*

**and for those whose anniversaries occur at this time**

Lea Chievetta

Peggy Hicks

Marion Scrivens

Domenico Romano

Tom Metson

Danny Borzacchiello

Stan Borkowski

Raymond Tebbutt

Mirosław Popowicz

Angela Brienza

## MASS INTENTIONS AT ST MARY'S

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**Sat 9th Vigil Mass**  
6.00pm Michele Giorgio (RIP, Anniversary)

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**Sun 10th Thirty-Second Sunday in OT (Remembrance Sunday)**  
9.00am For the Parish  
11.15am For the Fallen *Requiem Mass*  
4.00pm Italian Mass

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**Mon 11th St Martin of Tours (Memoria)**  
9.15am Deceased members of the Giorgio & Mancini families

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**Tues 12th St Josaphat (Memoria)**  
9.15am Holy Souls

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**Weds 13th FERIA**  
6.30pm Holy Souls (Ordinariate)

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**Thurs 14th FERIA**  
9.15am Christopher Dover (RIP)

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**Fri 15th St Albert the Great (Memoria)**  
6.00-6.25pm *Confessions*  
6.30pm Mathew Pukkurayil (RIP)

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**Sat 16th St Gertrude (Memoria)**  
10.30am *Private prayer with Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament*  
-12.30pm *with Confessions 10.30-11.30am & Benediction 12.20pm*  
6.00pm **Vigil Mass:** Gino Romano (RIP)

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**Sun 17th St Hugh of Lincoln (Feast)**  
9.00am Domenico & Teresa Petti (RIP)  
11.15am Intention for the living  
4.00pm Italian Mass

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**Rosary** *Mon, Tues, Thurs after 9.15am Mass; Wed, Fri at 6.00pm; First Saturday of each month after 10.00am Mass*

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## THIS WEEK AT ST MARY'S

**Weds 13th** UCM - 2.00pm in the hall

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**The annual Mass for the Bereaved will be on Tuesday 26th November at 6.30pm.**

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### PLEASE NOTE

Due to government regulations regarding personal data (UK-GDPR), we are not able to publish name details of Mass intentions for the living in this online version of the newsletter.

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**Catholic Church as I had never done before.”** And a month after writing those lines he was received into the Church.

As we remember the Fallen, many of them will already have reached Heaven. Most of them we know little or nothing about. There are the famous canonised saints and martyrs like **St Maximilian Kolbe** and **St Edith Stein**, but the stories of the lesser known soldiers and civilians also humble and inspire us. Say a Hail Mary right now for the repose of the souls of those soldiers still in Purgatory, and let us be inspired by their deep faith and patriotism, and ask them and the saints in Heaven to pray for us and for peace in these perilous times in which we live today.

*Fr Paul Gillham, IC*

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**Feast of St Hugh of Lincoln:** The Bishop has decided that with next Sunday, **17th November**, being the Feast of St Hugh of Lincoln, patron of our Diocese of Nottingham, the Masses celebrated in the Diocese next weekend will be that of the Feast of St Hugh of Lincoln, in place of the Thirty-third Sunday of the Year. This will affect the readings and prayers used at Masses on that day.

*Fr Paul*

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**A reminder that the new Lectionary**, with the new translation of the Mass readings, comes into effect on the weekend of **Sunday 1st December**, the First Sunday of Advent.

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**New Sunday Missals:** Pre-ordered copies of the CTS Sunday Missal, with the new translation of the readings, will arrive by Advent; we will let you know as soon as they are here. Limited copies of the Hodder Sunday Missal will be available soon, at a discounted price of £13.00 (RRP £18.99). You can reserve your copy at the Repository.

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**“He loved us”:** A Reflection on the latest Encyclical by Pope Francis on renewing our understanding and devotion to the Sacred Heart of Jesus. Presented by Canon Jonathan Cotton on **Monday 11th November**, 7.00 - 8.00pm in the Sacred Heart Parish Hall, Park Road, Loughborough, LE11 3AB. All very welcome.

**Parish Christmas Fayre  
Saturday 23rd November**

**We need help with:**

New/unwanted gifts for the raffle and tombola

Bottles for the bottle stall

Teddy bears and books in good condition

Jewellery

Bags of sweets

Items can be placed in the box by the Repository after each weekend Mass.

*Thank you*

Raffle tickets will be on sale after all weekend Masses from this weekend until the end of the Fayre.

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**Assisted Suicide Bill: On Monday 18th November** we will have a Holy Hour to pray that the Assisted Suicide Bill will be defeated in Parliament. I hope many of you will be able to attend. The Bill has its second reading in the House of Commons on **29th November**. *Fr Paul*



*St Gertrude*

## Prayer for vocations to the priesthood and religious life

**Leader:** Please kneel for our prayer for vocations. Let us ask God to give worthy Priests to His Holy Church and Brothers and Sisters to Religious Orders.

**All:** O God, we earnestly beseech You to bless this diocese with many priests, brothers and sisters, who will gladly spend their entire lives serving Your Church and making You known and loved.

**Leader:** Bless our families. Bless our children.

**All:** Choose from our homes those who are needed for Your work.

**Leader:** Mary, Queen of the Clergy!

**All:** Pray for us. Pray for our priests and religious. Obtain for us many more. Amen.

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## Prayer to Saint Michael

Holy Michael, the Archangel, defend us in the day of battle. Be our safeguard against the wickedness and snares of the devil. May God rebuke him, we humbly pray; and do thou, O Prince of the heavenly host, by the power of God thrust down to hell Satan and all the wicked spirits who wander through the world for the ruin of souls. Amen.

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**Prayers for the Holy Souls**, which you are invited to pray particularly during this month of November, are available at the back of the church for you to take.

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**Book of Remembrance:** The First Friday Mass is always celebrated for our deceased relatives and friends whose names are enrolled in our Book of Remembrance. If you wish to add any names, please fill in the sheet at the back of the church. If you have already added a name you don't need to do so again.

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**Mass Intentions:** A reminder that if you want a Mass celebrated on a particular date, you are advised to book at least six months in advance. There is little point asking a week or two before as it will almost certainly already be taken.

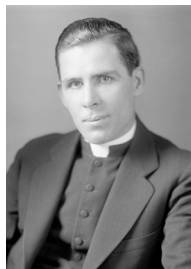
*Fr Paul*

## From the Saints

*"Unless souls are saved, nothing is saved; there can be no world peace unless there is soul peace. World wars are only projections of the conflicts waged inside the souls of men and women, for nothing happens in the external world that has not first happened within a soul."*

Venerable Fulton Sheen, 1895-1979

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**CAFOD** have written to thank you for the recent donation of £489 from Family Fast Day. You will find the letter on the noticeboard.

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**Last Rites does not mean Last Minute!** As soon as a person begins to be in danger of death because of illness, injury or old age, the time for anointing has surely already come. *Fr Paul*

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## Last Week's Finance

**1st Collection:** £724 (£167 gift-aided)

**World Mission Sunday:** £88 (2nd count) (£20 gift-aided)

**Standing orders:** £829 @ 31/10 (£688 gift-aided)

**Attendance:** 683

*Thank you*

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## St Mary's bank account details for online donations

*Bank:* Lloyds

*A/c name:* St Mary of Annun Lough RCP

*Sort code:* 30-95-21

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