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Blessed Sacrament Parish Newsletter

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FIRST HOLY COMMUNION INTRODUCTORY MEETING

The First Meeting regarding First Holy Communions will be an introductory meeting on **Saturday 9th November at 10am** in the Church. If you do not attend this meeting your child will not be registered for the course. Please note you <u>MUST</u> be a member of the Blessed Sacrament Parish to fulfil the requirements for joining the FHC course. Please bring your child and their Baptism Certificate to the meeting. The cost of the course is £30 this is for the books (both child and parents) and all art materials.

CHRISTMAS TABLE

Our Christmas table will be open this weekend for you to purchase your Christmas cards and gifts.



CHRISTMAS RAFFLE

We require good quality raffle prizes for our Christmas hampers, please hand into either Clare or any welcomer. Thank you in advance.

BISHOP ALAN VISIT - SAVE THE DATE

Bishop Alan will be visiting our Parish on Thursday 21st November at 7.30pm to lead a session on St. Ignatius and discernment in prayer. All welcome to attend.

REVERSE ADVENT CALENDARS

As in previous years we are asking our parishioners if they could create a 'reverse' advent calendar box for either the Little Edi Foundation or the Foodbank. Please feel free to change your gifts to suit your budget. If you can't make a box, maybe you could make up the Christmas Eve Treat box instead? Thank you for your support, it truly makes a difference.

WELCOMERS NEEDED

We are after welcomers to join our group. You would only be required for either Saturday or Sunday masses. Please speak to Annette or Clare for further information.

HOLY SOULS

If you wish your departed loved one(s) to be prayed for, please fill in the form, place in the attached envelope with your offering and leave in the basket at the welcomers' desk. These will be placed



before the altar throughout November. Spare forms are at the welcomers' desk.

SAVE THE DATE!

To celebrate the beginning of Advent, the J&P Group is organising a bring and share lunch. The Group would like the food to be international to reflect and celebrate our Parish's diversity. Last year's celebration was a happy affair and we would like to make this year's even more successful. There will be no charge but we will give all donations to Sisters Moira and Margaret for their community in the DRC. The sisters there have a great need for an ambulance so all offerings will go towards that.

SAFEGUARDING

Please accompany your child(ren) to the toilet if they need it whilst in the Church.

SILENCE!

PLEASE keep SILENCE before Mass especially during the Rosary on Saturday evenings. People may be trying to pray and listen to God.

CONFESSIONS

Father Paul is available for confession: Saturdays 5-5.30pm. Tuesdays during adoration after 6.30pm Mass. Thursdays during adoration after 9.15am Mass.

OFFICE EMAILS

Please be aware that emails sent over the weekend or on a Monday will not be seen until the Tuesday. Thank you.

NEWSLETTER DEADLINE

If you require a notice to appear in the newsletter – the deadline is on **Wednesdays.**

COLLECTION PLATE

Week ending 26th & 27th October 2024 Envelopes & Loose Plate - £453.81 September Standing Orders - £2,545.67 Thank you for your generosity.

DIVINE MERCY PRAYER GROUP

Divine Mercy will take place in the side chapel at 8pm on Wednesday 20th November. Please use the side door.

PRAISE AND WORSHIP

Praise and Worship will take place at **7pm on** Wednesday 13th November.

GIFT AID ORGANISER

Our Gift Aid organiser is Greg Carvalho. His contact is: greg@god.co.uk or on 261302.

MEDITATION GROUP

WCCM Meditation Group meets online at 8pm on Mondays. Please contact Val directly on 07887785502 or email her on valhilsley@btinternet.com

WALSINGHAM PILGRIMAGE

Father Paul is away in Walsingham at an Ordinariate Plenary next week Tuesday to Thursday. He will pray for all our parishioners whilst there.

CAFOD FAMILY FAST DAY APPEAL

The J&P group would like to thank everyone who generously contributed to the recent Family Fast Day appeal. We raised the sum of £430.71 which is being sent to the DRC to help young people learn new skills to earn a living and support their families. You can still donate to this appeal online or by the QR code on top of the green box.

HALL REFURBISHMENT UPDATE - HELP NEEDED URGENTLY!

Thank you so much to everyone that has contributed time and funds to support our refurbishment project.

A work schedule has now been drafted and we now require help from anyone who has experience in the building trade including plumbers, electricians, roofers, and general building works. We also need skilled professionals in capital project management and health and safety.

The roles will be in an advisory capacity to the works sub-group of the main committee in a voluntary capacity as we are now able to begin some of the works. Even if you can only offer one hour a month, we need your help. If you can offer advice/support, please let Clare or Father have your details or email the church office.

<u>AGE UK</u>

Age UK have given one of our parishioners lots of 'how to stay safe' information and handbag size gadgets. All free. Please take what you require.

WILLIAM INNES RIP

It is with sadness we announce the passing of Bill Innes. He is a long-standing parishioner and altar server at Our Lady Immaculate. There will be a Requiem Mass for Bill – details to follow later.

Please pray for the repose of Bill's soul. Please also pray for Maureen and their family.

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday 2nd November – ALL SOULS COMMEMORATION OF ALL THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED

9.15 am – All Souls' Mass

2pm - Canonesses' All Souls' Mass at New Hall

5.30 pm – Rosary

Vigil Mass – First Mass of Sunday

6 pm – Eileen Annie Moore RIP (M. & P. East)

Sunday 3rd November

THIRTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (B)

9.30 am - People of the Parish

11.30 am - Eileen Patrick RIP (M. Elliott)

Monday 4th November – NO MASS Father's & Clare's Day Off

Tuesday 5th November – NO MASS

Wednesday 6th November – NO MASS

Thursday 7th November – NO MASS

Friday 8th November

9.15 am - Anne Warren RIP (Greene Family) and we welcome Year 3 from St. Pius

Saturday 9th November

5.30 pm – Rosary

Vigil Mass – First Mass of Sunday

6 pm – Ligory & Cecelia Moras RIP (V. & O. Moras)



Sunday 10th November

THIRTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (B) Remembrance Sunday

9.30 am - Mavis Smith RIP (A. & J. Smith)

11.30 am – People of the Parish