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FEAST OF ALL SAINTS



1st Nov 2026



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Dear Parishioners and Friends,
This Sunday brings us into the month of November. It is in November that the Catholic Church remembers and prays for those who have died. On the 1st of November, the Feast of All Saints, we recall with joy and thanksgiving those who have lived such holy and sacrificial lives that we might confidently recognise them to be saints.

On this Feast we can call to mind all those people who have inspired us, or helped us, to be better people. They may have lived ordinary lives in so many ways, but we know that they touched us in such a special way that their influence on us was unique and irreplaceable by any other person. These saints, although their lives may go unrecorded by the Church, can still assist us from their heavenly home—in fact, friends in heaven are the best of friends for us!

On the second day of November, this coming Monday, we remember all those who have died. We refer to this day as All Souls' Day. On this day we pray for all those who have gone before us, and we entrust them to the mercy of God. Our parish Mass on this day will be at 12.00noon at Holy Saviour's. Throughout this whole month we are encouraged to pray for those who have died whom we can help with our prayers, even offering up some of our own trials and adversities as prayers on their behalf.

The most beautiful teaching of the Christian faith is that the bonds of love, forged in this life, are not broken by death, and that those close to our hearts remain so once their earthly pilgrimage has come to an end. What a blessing it is to be able to pray for those we have loved and even for those who have hurt us in this life, entrusting them to the love and mercy of God, and finding healing for our own souls.

Our continuing November prayer for all those who have died, is expressed in these words: Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them; may they rest in peace. AMEN.

May the Lord bless us, keep us free from all evil, and bring us to everlasting life!
Fr Gerard.

ANNUAL CEMETERY MASS

The annual Cemetery Mass will take place at Sacred Heart church on Saturday 31st October at 11.00am.
Followed by blessing of graves at All Souls Cemetery, Wheatley Lane.



Mass schedule for week beginning Monday 2nd November 2026

Monday 2nd Nov	Tuesday 3rd Nov	Wednesday 4th Nov	Thursday 5th Nov	Friday 6th Nov	Saturday 7th Nov	SUNDAY 8th Nov
ALL SOULS MASS H.S. 12.00noon	MASS C.C. 10.00am	MASS H.S. 7.00pm	MASS & Exposition C.C. 10.00am	MASS C.C. 10.00am	NO MASS	C.C. 9.30am H.S. 11.15am

Date	Reader 1	Reader 2
This Sunday: 1st November	Tony Finnan	Gerard Spain
Next Sunday: 8th November	Luke Mendoza	Dawid Zycinski

Children's Church C.C. - Francis & Amanda H.S. - David A, Venus G / Catherine M, Monica

Eucharistic Ministry 1st Sunday (C.C. and H.S.)	
Francis Ryan	Sarah Kelly
Ewa Zycinska	Joanne Thompson
Khuram Javed	Sheila Cooper
Siobhan James	Venus Ghulam
Margaret Morgan	Dawid Zycinski

POUND DRAW WINNERS



£10.00 Monica McArdle
£10.00 Eileen Wilcock
£10.00 Linda Goddard
£10.00 Sheila Cooper

£94.00 raised for parish funds
Thank you for supporting the parish!

C.A.F.O.D

Monies paid into CAFOD since 23rd August are as follows:

£200.00 Teas and Coffees from Christ Church
£651.52 Harvest Collection (£60.00 gift-aided)
£284.90 Teas & Coffees at Holy Saviour's

GRAND TOTAL: £1,136.42

BOOK OF REMEMBRANCE



Nov 1st Eric Oliver (2003)
Nov 2nd Carol Mary Whalley (1944)
Nov 3rd George Bradshaw (2019)
Billy Cairns (2021)
Nov 4th David Lavender (2023)
Nov 5th Colin Murgatroyd (2011)
Nov 6th Irene Wetherall (2003)
Nov 7th Harry Sumner (1988)
Cecilia Allen (2020)

May their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed rest in peace!

MASS INTENTIONS

B'day intention.
David & Steven Yousef, anniv, 8th Nov.
November memorial Masses for members of the Matulevicius, Paulaskas, Kleinaite, Bagdanavicius, and Milalaskas families.
Patricia Armstrong (2009)

CHURCH COLLECTION

25th October: £215.00
Standing Orders: approx. £793.00 p/w.
Many thanks!

CHRISTMAS POUND DRAW—Early reminder!

Thank you to all who join the weekly pound draw, helping us to raise £3,500 so far this year!! Two months to go so can we reach £5,000? We will be running our usual Christmas Special Draw this year.

£100 1st Prize; £75 2nd; £50 3rd; & £25 4th

Same idea as weekly pound draw, put a pound in a brown envelope with your name on and pop it in the SPECIAL CHRISTMAS DRAW BOX at back or side of church. You can have as many goes as you want over the next six weeks starting next Sunday (8th Nov). If you want to have 5 goes or more just write on the envelope 5x or 10x with the appropriate money inside and I will make the envelopes out for you. Many thanks for your support, Ian and the £1 Draw Team.