

## Diary

Friday 4<sup>th</sup> November Quiz Night in the Millennium Room 7pm.  
Price £3 including hotpot supper.

**Next Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> November:** Postcard event to mark 50<sup>th</sup>

Anniversary of 1967 Abortion Act. The Union of Catholic Mothers and the Society for the Protection of Unborn Children are working together to commemorate the lives of unborn children lost by abortion since the passing of the 1967 Abortion Act. At both Masses on **6<sup>th</sup> November**, you will be invited to complete a postcard asking your MP to act to protect unborn babies. Please support this initiative which gives us an opportunity to make our voices heard on behalf of unborn children.

**Saturday 12<sup>th</sup> November – CHRISTMAS FAIR.** We would be grateful for any of the following items to sell on the stalls. **Toiletries; Groceries; Fancy Goods; Bottles for the Bottle Stall; Toys and Games; Paper Back Books (please no manuals); DVDs & CDs; Sweets etc. Not forgetting to ask cake bakers to be at the ready.** Your help and support is very much appreciated. Don't forget Raffle tickets available at the back of church.

**Grand Draw – Christmas Fair:** Can you donate a prize for the Grand Draw? If you can please add your name and gift to the list at the back of church. Thank you.

### ST MARY'S 200 + CLUB WINNERS

**For 23<sup>rd</sup> October 2016**  
No. 62 Steve Davies £ 50  
No. 11 Hilda Hockings £ 15

#### LAST SUNDAY

Mass Attendance: **156**  
**8:30** – 58  
**10:30** – 98  
Offertory: £481.99  
Candles: £123.28  
Books/Papers: £27.56  
St. Anthony:  
Building Fund: £11.53  
World Needy: £42.83

### PARISH MASS BOOK + YEAR C

**Volume 2 – Pg. 157**

**Week beginning 6<sup>th</sup> November**

**Church Cleaning**

**Children's Liturgy**  
J. Jackson & M.Chew

**Refreshments after Mass**  
Jo & A.N.Other



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Sunday Mass 8.30 a.m. & 10.30 a.m.

Weekdays except Mondays: 9:45 a.m. Morning Prayer, 10 a.m. Mass

Tuesday: 6:40 p.m. Rosary, 7 p.m. Mass

Mondays: 9:45 a.m. Morning Prayer, 10 a.m. Celebration of the Word

Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession): **Saturday 10:30-11 a.m.**

Adoration of the Holy Eucharist: **Saturday 10:30-11 a.m.**

## Thirty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time

30<sup>th</sup> October 2016

Just and merciful God, true Lord of every house, sure delight of every heart, come into our midst today to speak your word and satisfy our hunger.

Enable us to see you clearly, to welcome you with joy, and to give justice and mercy a place in our lives.

Grant this through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God for ever and ever.

<b>Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> October</b> <b>31<sup>st</sup> Sunday in Ordinary</b> <b>Time</b>	8.30 a.m.	Randall & Pat Wright Anniversary (J.B.& R.W.)
	10.30 a.m.	People of the Parish
<b>MONDAY 31<sup>st</sup></b>	10.00 a.m.	Celebration of the Word
	7.00 p.m.	Nanette Hyland (lately dead)
<b>TUESDAY 1<sup>st</sup> November</b> <b>ALL SAINTS DAY</b>	10.00 a.m.	Raymond & Mary Madij (A.M.)
	12.15 p.m.	Marion Hartley
<b>WEDNESDAY 2<sup>nd</sup></b> <b>ALL SOULS</b>	10.00 a.m.	Annie Pinder (S.B.)
<b>THURSDAY 3<sup>rd</sup></b> <b>St. Charles Borromeo</b>	10.00 a.m.	Funeral Mass for Brenda Grace
<b>FRIDAY 4<sup>th</sup></b>	10.00 a.m.	Pat McGinley (D.&K.)
<b>SATURDAY 5<sup>th</sup></b>	10.00 a.m.	Special Intention (F.C.)
<b>Next Sunday 6<sup>th</sup></b> <b>32<sup>nd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary</b> <b>Time</b>	8.30 a.m.	Beryl Skitterall Birthday Memories (A.S.)
	10.30 a.m.	People of the Parish

***Please remember in your prayers***



»**all the sick**, especially: Elsie Clapp, Patsy Coll, Catherine Dale, Marianne Delaney, Teresa Drake, Sarah Finley, Marion Gerrard, Jacob Gray, Veronica Greer, Joseph Higgins, Mary Holden, June Jagger, Rosemarie Lovatt, Alison Lyon, Gerry McCaul, Michael O'Sullivan, Trevor Sandford, Mary Schon, Joe Scott, Mark Surelock, Winifred White, Baby Zephen (Mumbai)



»**the housebound and those in care**, especially: David Ball, Peggie Ball, Thomas Ball, Bessie Burns, John Donnelly, Florrie Garrett, Brenda McCaul, Walter Myerscough, Marjorie Richardson, Doris Roberts, Monica Syms, P. Warwick

>>**those who have died recently**: Stuart Edwards, Tony Murphy (Fr. Michael's uncle) Brenda Grace, Stephen Clark, Mary Davies, Barbara Siddiqi, Danny O'Neill

**and also those whose anniversaries are this coming week**: James Horsfall, Mary Heaton, Winifred Brookes, Anthony Thompson, Francis Stanton, James Booker, Thomas Houten, Mary Teresa Green, Mary Heap, Mary Kinley, Ellen Noble, James Alexander Lang, Patrick J. McGinley, Rose Esther Nicholson, Terry Atkinson

***THE WORD AHEAD - Next Sunday's Gospel***

*Read* **The Gospel for Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> November 32<sup>nd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary**  
**Time Luke 20: 27-38 The Sadducee's Riddle**

*Reflect* **After spending a few minutes considering this Gospel, continue by reading Fr Henry Wansbrough's reflection.**

*Since they did not believe in the resurrection or any sort of life after death, the Sadducees are trying to make fun of Jesus. By the Levirate Law of Judaism, if I marry and die without begetting a son, my nearest male relative is bound to marry my widow and raise up a son in my name to carry on my line. The Sadducees' neat mockery is to ask what happens if this is repeated seven times (and worse than that, for the perfect number 'seven' means 'ad infinitum'). Jesus, again with typical neatness, turns their argument back upon them by returning to that key text of scripture when God replies to Moses at the Burning Bush. Not only is this reply in the present tense, 'I am (still) the God of patriarchs long dead', but it is the fundamental text which guarantees God's rescue and protection of, and his presence with, his people through thick and thin. This is one more instance of Jesus' deep knowledge and mastery of scripture, of the way that he can transcend the flippant and superficial arguments of his opponents and make plain the deep and true sense of these holy texts. To God no one is 'dead and gone'; we all remain safe in his hands. What does it mean to you to be a 'child' of the resurrection?*

**Dom Henry Wansbrough OSB**

*Please remember also in your prayers during November all the members of our armed forces who gave their lives for our freedom, especially the members of our parish whose names are on the memorials near the Lady Altar.*

Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> November: LITURGY OF PRAYERFUL REMEMBRANCE

This is an annual opportunity to remember and pray for our deceased family, relatives and friends, especially those who have died in the last year. If you would like us to pray for someone by name who has died in the last 12 months, please add their name to the list at the back of church.

**UNDERSTANDING OUR FAITH** – a young man enquired recently about being baptised. I'm going to meet with him on Friday afternoons at 4.00p.m. in the presbytery. Anyone else who is interested in exploring the Catholic Faith is welcome to join us.

**Bill's Christmas cards are on sale at the back of church**