

**ST OSWALD & ST EDMUND ARROWSMITH
CATHOLIC CHURCH**

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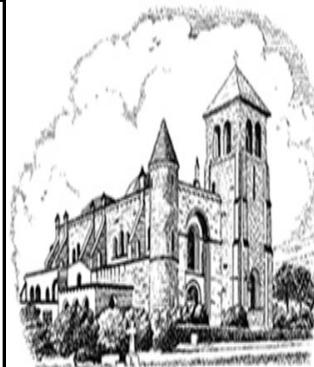
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Week commencing: 25th October 2020

30th SUNDAY of ORDINARY TIME (A)

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30th SUNDAY of ORDINARY TIME (A)

Saturday	6.00pm (StW)	Parishioners
Sunday	9.30am (OLI)	Olive Shaughnessy
	11.00am (StO)	Joseph Corcoran
	6.30pm (OLI)	Joanne Parker

Weekday Masses

Monday	9.00am (OLI)	Stella Larkin
Tuesday	9.30am (StW)	In Thanksgiving (VM)
Wednesday	Sts. Simon & Jude, Apostles	
	9.30am (StO)	Brian Kirkwood
Thursday	9.30am (StW)	James Riley
Friday	9.00am (OLI)	Nicholson & Dittman Family
Saturday	10.00am (StO)	Nick Hennessy

31st SUNDAY of ORDINARY TIME (A)

Saturday	6.00pm (StW)	Private Intention
Sunday	9.30am (OLI)	Parishioners
	11.00am (StO)	Gary Haynes
	6.30pm (OLI)	Sick & Retired Priests

Services during the week

Confessions: Sat: 11.00am—12 noon (StO)

Rosary: There will be no public recitation of the Rosary until further notice.

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament:

Mon—Fri: 10.00am-12 noon (StO)
Fri: 7.00-8.00pm (OLI)

Novena: Wed: 7.00pm (OLI)

Anniversaries

25th Oct	Francis Fitzpatrick	
	James Haselden	Alma Haseldene
	Ernest Lowe	Basil Wasik
26th Oct	Margaret Gallagher	
27th Oct	Margaret Hazeldine	
	Terence McLoughlin	Cath Smith
	Margaret Taylor	
28th Oct	Lillian Green	Robert Green
29th Oct	David Cook	
31st Oct	Harry Bennett	Stephen Morley
	James Riley	James Wood

Jubilee of the 40 Martyrs of England & Wales

This Sunday, 25th October, is the 50th Anniversary of the Canonisation of the 40 Martyrs of England & Wales by Pope St. Paul VI. A recognition of the importance of the Martyrs to the Church in England & Wales comes from a surprising source, the former MP Roy Hattersley who, in his book *'The Catholics: The Church and its people in Britain and Ireland from the Reformation to the present day'*, comments that, with their deaths, 'the Catholic Church in England (and Wales) was beginning to accumulate its most precious asset, a heavenly host of martyrs.'

In commemoration of this, the prayers and Preface of Mass this weekend will be those given for the Feast.

A Word of Thanks

I am most grateful to Canon Pat McNally for standing in for me a very short notice last weekend during my enforced confinement, and to Deacon Jim and all who ensured that the normal cycle of prayer could continue in my absence. In particular, I am especially grateful to Fr Ron Johnson and out team of Catechists for ensuring that the 1sy Holy Communion Masses could go ahead as planned last Saturday.

Thankfully, for me at least, I was 'let out' (some might say 'let loose') again on Thursday not having suffered any symptoms, and am grateful for the messages of support and the offers to keep me supplied with the necessary 'victuals'!

Synod 2021

Following the Archbishop's Pastoral Letter last week about the next phase of the Archdiocesan Synod, copies of the Synod proposals for each of the themes will be attached to the newsletter over the next four weeks.

This week the theme is: 'All called and gifted by God.' Each theme has a number of headings with an 'affirmation' and a series of proposals.

At the beginning of December, our Synod members will be asked to indicate which of those affirmations and proposals they consider should go forward for discussion at the Synod next year. To assist them in this task, you are asked to take the proposals home with you for consideration, and to indicate for each theme **2 affirmations and 5 proposals** which you believe should be the subject of the Synod discussions.

Each week there will basket at the back of Church for you to place your suggestions.

Month of the Holy Souls

Next Sunday, 1st November, is the Feast of All Saints and the beginning of the Month of the Holy Souls. Envelopes are available at the back of Church for you to place the names of deceased family and friends whom you wish to be remembered in our Pious List, for whom Mass will be offered throughout November. These can be returned at any time in the next week or so.

Monday 2nd November is the Commemoration of all the Faithful Departed (All Souls' Day). Although this is not a Holyday of Obligation, there will be Mass at 12.10pm at St. Oswald's in addition to Mass at 9.00am at Our Lady's.

Retrouvaille: A Lifeline for Marriages

Is your marriage stressed, unloving, cold? Do you want to improve your communication? Have you separated, divorced, or are you thinking of doing so? Do you want to try again?

The Retrouvaille programme may be just what you need! The next programme is a 'virtual' one on 12th - 15th November meaning you experience it in your own home.

For further information or future programmes contact
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