

Masses & Services this Week

Saturday 21st October	4.00pm Confessions 4.30pm Mass: (Bruno Bertolaso RIP)
Sunday 22nd	8.00am Mass: (Holy Souls—especially FOSS) AM 11.00am Mass: (In Thanksgiving C&A) <i>Followed by a pro-life Rosary</i> 4.00pm Pre-Baptism Programme (Part One)
Monday 23rd	9.10am Morning Prayer 9.30am Mass: (Helga Egle RIP) <i>Fr. Greg Tobin</i>
Tuesday 24th	8.00am Mass: (Dominic Bombardini RIP)
Wednesday 25th	6.00pm Mass: (Chris McGarry RIP) Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament <i>Canon Alan Burbidge</i>
Thursday 26th	9.00am Mass: (Special Intentions) <i>Deacon Martyn Swaby</i>
Friday 27th	9.10am Morning Prayer 9.30am Mass: (Norah van der Voet RIP) 6.00pm Lectio Divina
Saturday 28th <i>Ss. Simon & Jude</i>	9.00am Mass: (Private Intention) Confessions available after Mass 4.00pm Confessions 4.30pm Mass: (Eugene Campbell RIP) <i>Monsignor John Lally</i> CLOCKS GO BACK ONE HOUR TONIGHT!
Sunday 29th <i>30th Sunday of the Year (A)</i>	8.00am Mass: (Holy Souls—especially FOSS) BM 11.00am Mass: (People of the Parish) 4.00pm Pre-Baptism Programme (Part Two) <i>The Dominican Sisters in Leicester</i>

Please note that Mass on Thursday will be at the earlier time of 9.00am – sorry for any inconvenience this may cause.

For Sale: Parachute. Only used once, never opened, small stain

Plan to be spontaneous tomorrow!

*With our prayers and good wishes
Fr. Jim & Deacon Dennis*

PARISH OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION & SAINT NORBERT

22nd October 2017 29th Sunday of the Year (A) Psalter 1

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Society for the Propagation of the Faith



**WORLD
MISSION
SUNDAY**
October 22, 2017
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Today is 'Mission Sunday' and in today's readings at Mass we are being reminded of the urgency to proclaim the Gospel to the ends of the world. There can be no slacking or stagnation in the essential mission of the Church to evangelise all people. Today there are countless people thirsting for hope and love who are still waiting for the proclamation of the Gospel.

The missionary command of today's Gospel to "go and tell" involves all the baptised. Our faith is strengthened when it is shared with others. There are different callings in the Church but all Christians are called to give personal witness. Words and witness go together.

There is the special vocation of the missionary in a foreign land who goes and tells the Good News to people hearing it for the first time. Missionaries stay and serve the people entrusted to them in good times and in bad. During the recent painful times in Kenya and Liberia, it was the "unsung heroes," often at risk to their own lives. Missionaries need the primary support of prayer. Many missionaries will tell you of special strength received from an unknown source in times of civil war, illness or natural calamity. People can support missionaries by offering their suffering of mind or body. St Therese of Lisieux offered every painful step to assist some missionary in difficulty.

Every penny collected in England and Wales, and, indeed throughout the entire world this day, is sent to a missionary Church. This gift enables the formation of native priests, sisters, brothers and lay catechists. The Mission Sunday gift is also used for pastoral centres and the formation of lay leaders; the building of simple mission churches and health clinics for children. People are hungry for God not just bread and freedom. As the Pope Emeritus Benedict XVI noted *"when we bring people only knowledge, technical competency and tools, we bring them too little."*

On Mission Sunday, please help missionaries to go and tell. May their efforts bring people freely to conversion and faith.

And the Lord said GO!
And I said who me?
And He said Yes You.

MISSION 2018: Following on from Clare Scully's visit (Clare is our Pre-Mission Co-ordinator from The Sion Community) we still have much work to do in preparation for our Mission. We would like to call a meeting of all our Team co-ordinators on Monday, 6th November at 7.00pm in the Walsingham Chapel so that we can move on with our preparations; many thanks.

LYRICS REQUIRED! Brian Stout, our Music Co-ordinator needs 'words', 'sentences' that will inspire him to compose a song for our mission. Ideas warmly received—contact Brian direct on 01775 768249, or you can hand in your ideas and contributions to the parish office—thank you.

Pilgrimage to Fatima, Portugal May 17th-21st 2018: Fr Paul Lloyd, (Holy Trinity Holbeach) is organising a pilgrimage to Fatima for the above dates. It is for 5 days, 4 nights in a 3 star hotel, half-board. It is priced very competitively at £479 which includes flights (Luton), coach transfers and guided visits to places as per itinerary. We will be going with *All Saints Travel* who organised our successful pilgrimage to Poland last year. See poster at back of church, or visit this website for the forms www.holytrinityparish.org.uk or contact Fr Paul directly on 07773 207974.

The Parish Office will be closed this Friday

FOR SALE: Useful trailer for sale (10'6" X 4'14") Complete with its own cover and trolley—but it is in need of a little TLC. To view and/or make an offer contact Robert & Judith Martin on 01775 760763.

*Last Orders....*The aged mother superior was on her deathbed. The sisters tried to get her to have some warm milk, but she kept on refusing it. One of the sisters added a drop of whiskey to the milk and returned to the mother superior. The Mother Superior took a sip and, to everyone's surprise, she continued to drink the milk until it was all gone. One of the sisters, fearing for the worst, asked the mother superior for some lasting advice, and a pearl of wisdom. **'Don't sell that cow'** was the reply!

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION CATECHISTS: Fr. Jim will visit the children preparing for their first Holy Communion on Tuesday, 31st October and would like to meet briefly with our catechists after the session.

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS: Fr. Jim would like to meet with our Eucharistic Ministers at 7.30pm on Wednesday, 8th November. We will discuss the latest directives from the Diocese and also arrange the rotas over the Christmas period.

Social & Fundraising News: QUIZ NIGHT, this Friday (27th October). Fr. Jim will be your Quizmaster for the evening. We welcome teams of up to five adults – Entry is £5.00 per head. **£100 to the winning team.** All proceeds from this event will go towards our parish mission expenses. Doors open at 7.00pm. The quiz will get underway at 7.30pm. The Bar will be open, but you are invited to bring your own refreshments – tickets now on sale. *Get yours today!*

CHRISTMAS FAYRE 2017: *Yes, it's that time of year again!* Christmas Raffle tickets are now available. We ask that each adult parishioner takes a couple of books to sell (or buy!). If we sold all the tickets we should raise £2,000 on the raffle alone! *Please help us to achieve this target.* Way back in June many of you pledged help in one way or another for the Christmas Fayre, which will take place on Saturday 25th November - *only 6 weeks from now.* One of the team will be contacting you shortly, to make sure we have everything in place for a 'Bumper Fayre' on the day. Please keep an eye on the newsletter and be ready to respond to the weekly requests, just as you did so magnificently last year. Many thanks to you all. The Christmas Fayre Team.

SECOND HAND CLOTHES: Thank you to everyone who brought in a bag (or bags as the case may be!). There was a good pile, including those we bagged up following the Jumble Sale. We will let you know how much we've raised as soon as we hear. Thank you! The Christmas Fayre Committee.

And I said
But I'm not ready yet
And there is studying to be done.
I've got this part-time job.
You know how tight my schedule is.
And He said You're Stalling.

Again the Lord said GO!
And I said I didn't want to.
And He said I Didn't Ask If You Wanted To.
And I said
Listen I'm not the kind of person
To get involved in controversy.
Besides my friends won't like it
And what will my roommate think?
And He said Baloney.

And yet a third time the Lord said GO!
And I said do I have to?
And He said Do You Love Me?
And I said
Look I'm scared.
People are going to hate me
And cut me into little pieces.
I can't take it all by myself.
And He said Where Do You Think I'll Be?

And the Lord said GO!
And I sighed
Here I am...send me.

anonymous

Pro-Life Rosary: We continue commemorating the 50th anniversary of the passing of the Abortion Act in the UK with a pro-life Rosary immediately after the 11.00am Mass this morning.

Pre-Baptism Programme commences this afternoon at 4.00pm and



**MISSION
SUNDAY**

will conclude next Sunday at 4.00pm. Parents must attend both sessions.

Counters Rota: This week: Teresa & Martin
Next week: Betty & Anita

Please pray for our sick and housebound parishioners: Pat Brooks, Maureen van der Voet, Eric Ormond, Allison Law, Pat Saville & family, Margaret Trivett, Audrey Cook, Marcello Viglianti, Maria Dowling, Rosetta Le Compte, Elvira Choma, Ros Mullholland-Gullick, Jean Fairbanks, Rosemarie & Peter Anderton, Norma Yaxley, Tony Ball, Jesus Moniente, Linda Lawless, Susan Bertolaso, Mollie Coaten, Mary Naughton, Norman Coleman, Sylvia Hayden, Katherine McLoughlin, Patrick King, The Taylor Family, Mons. Jonathan Moore, Pat Baxter, Rita Gensiorskyj, Manfred Haacker, June Burrell, Maurice Cranney, Kuriakose Antony Thelekatt, Helen Henry, Philip Chandler, Maria Sharples, Fr. Oliver Martin O.Praem, Madge Rankin, Brian Stout, Alison Merryman-Marx, Fr. Eamonn O'Hara, Fr. Dominic O'Connor, Canon Michael Bell, Fr. Tom Breslin & Maddie Scott.

Please also remember: Bunty Foster, Filippo Fusari, Dominic Bombardini, Jim Neave, Evelyn Goldsmith, George Plowman, Maureen Dumbleton, Anthony Ponting, Anna Woznicki, Mollie Nester and all those whose anniversary occurs at this time. *May their souls, and all the souls of the faithful departed, rest in peace. Amen.*

Jo Baguley thanks everyone for their prayers and support during her recent illness and on going recuperation. God bless you all.

PARISH FINANCE: Last weekend you gave: £767.03. The Mission Appeal on behalf of the White Fathers realised: £437.86 - Thank you.

Forthcoming collections in October:

This Weekend: World Missions

29th/30th October: Parish Maintenance Fund

NOVEMBER – *The month of the Holy Souls*

The Book of Remembrance: It is time for us to update our parish Book

of Remembrance. All those funerals that took place in our parish from November 2016 will be added. If you would like to add the names of your loved ones please email the details (name, and date of death) directly to Fr. Jim (fr.jim@stnorberts.org.uk) or the details may be handed in to Katherine in the parish office for inclusion in this year's update. The closing date for new entries will be **this Friday (27th October)**.

Masses for the dead during November: Envelopes are now available to receive your list of deceased family and friends whom you would like to be remembered in our November Masses. You may place any offerings in the envelopes along with your lists.

Forthcoming Meetings: Fr. Jim would like to meet with the following groups:

CHILDREN'S LITURGY: We did have some interest in re-starting the Children's Liturgy during the 11.00am Mass. To make this possible, we need volunteers to lead the children – no experience is really necessary for this, help will be provided for anyone who would like to become involved as a leader or as a helper. In accordance with the Diocesan Safeguarding guidelines all leaders and helpers will need a DBS disclosure, which will be arranged via our Safeguarding Representative, Mrs. Mary Hurst. Fr. Jim would like to have an initial meeting with those who would be willing to become involved in the children's liturgy during the 11.00am Mass, after the 11.00am Mass next Sunday, 29th October. Thanking you in anticipation.

FLOWER ARRANGERS: Many of you will know already that Teresa Cummings will be leaving our Flower Arrangers Group at Christmas, and Joanna Shardlow has also asked to step down from this group. This does leave some gaps for us to fill, and we do need more flower arrangers. Any volunteers are welcome to contact Fr. Jim directly, in person or by phone (01775 722056) or email: fr.jim@stnorberts.org.uk. In addition to this Fr. Jim would like to meet with all flower arrangers on Monday, 30th October at 7.00pm – new volunteers, would be most welcome to join us at this meeting too, just turn up.