

# ST JOSEPH'S, STONEHOUSE & THE ANNUNCIATION, WOODCHESTER

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### SOLEMNITY OF ALL SAINTS - PSALTER WEEK 3 – 1<sup>ST</sup> NOVEMBER 2020

ST JOSEPH'S			THE ANNUNCIATION	
Sun	9.00am	<i>Mass: People of parish</i>	11.00am	<i>Mass: People of parish</i>
Mon	9.00am	All Souls Day Mass <i>Intention: For all Faithful Departed</i>	11.00am	All Souls Day Mass <i>Intention: For all Faithful Departed</i>
Tue		No Mass		No Mass
Wed		No Mass		No Mass
Thurs		No Mass		No Mass
Fri		No Mass		No Mass
Sat		No Mass		No Mass

### LECTIONARY

Sun	Apoc 7: 2-4, 9-14	Psalm 23: 1-6	1Jn 3: 1-3	Matthew 5: 1-12
Mon	Is 25: 6-9	Psalm 26: 1, 4, 7-9, 13-14	Rom 5: 5-11	Matthew 11: 25-30
Tues	Phil 2: 5-11	Psalm 21: 26-32		Luke 14: 15-24
Wed	Phil 2: 12-18	Psalm 26: 1, 4, 13-14		Luke 14: 25-33
Thurs	Phil 3: 3-8	Psalm 104: 2-7		Luke 15: 1-10
Fri	Phil 3: 14- 4:1	Psalm 121: 1-5		Luke 16: 1-8
Sat	Phil 4: 10-19	Psalm 111: 1-9		Luke 16: 9-15

#### PRAYERS FOR THOSE WHO ARE ILL AT ST JOSEPH'S

Vi. Burrage, Mike Gibbons and Olga, Julie Wood, Elizabeth Carr, Mary Evans, Rosemary Mabud,  
Aine Anderson, Mary Scully, Maggie

#### AND FOR THOSE WHO HAVE DIED ABOUT THIS TIME

Patrick Hanley, Ellen O'Reilly, Peter Crowley, Sarah Kane, Guiseppe Farrugia, Catherine Calenti, Edward  
Stewart, Christopher Brennan, Mark Timlin

#### PRAYERS FOR THOSE WHO ARE ILL AT THE ANNUNCIATION

Fr. Richard Finn O.P. and family, Rebekah Hollingshead, Brendon Conboy, Della Cox, Barry Norris,  
Cynthia Stevens, Peggy Chapman, Barry Taylor, John Presland, Tony Thompson, Georgina Mazzone, Frances  
Little, Christopher Notley, Trese Hulbert, Elizabeth Lillinton, Tina Hathaway, Chris Jay, Penny Gear

#### AND FOR THOSE WHO HAVE DIED ABOUT THIS TIME

Patrick Hanley, Betty Wilkie, Flora Tanner, Alfred Jones, Hubert Wellington, Josefa Jach, Jan Cieszkawsk, Frank  
Ford, Mary Workman, Francis Palm

#### POPE FRANCIS' PRAYER INTENTION FOR NOVEMBER

That the progress of robotics and artificial intelligence may always serve humankind.

### DIOCESAN PRAYER LINK

*Wincanton, with Mere, Milbourne Port, Castle Cary and Bruton: St Luke and St Teresa*

## CORONAVIRUS UPDATE

**CURRENTLY WE ARE ONLY HAVING SUNDAY MASS: 9AM MASS AT ST JOSEPH AND 11AM AT WOODCHESTER. SUNDAY OBLIGATION IS STILL REMOVED AT PRESENT.**

### IN GENERAL

## SECOND COLLECTION

This week's collection is for the Priest's Retirement Fund. During their years of service to parish congregations many priests did not have the opportunity to prepare adequately for retirement. The support received for this appeal each year is a great reassurance to them that they are not forgotten. There are currently twenty retired priests in receipt of financial support, which includes funding for retirement properties, retirement grants and care home fees, amounting to over £250,000 per annum. Your support for this important collection is much appreciated by our retired priests, who continue to give great help in many parishes by offering their services as supply priests.

## GOSPEL REFLECTION

Today we celebrate the Feast of All Saints, a feast that brings into focus all those who lead good and often holy lives but are not officially recognised by the Church as being 'Saints'. The church introduced this feast in order to recognise the early Christian martyrs, many of whom were never known by name but who lived faithful Christian lives and who died for their faith. We may not have known anyone who has died for their faith but most of us have met people who have devoted their life to living the values of the Gospel. They are the people who strive to live generously and compassionately. These people are not heroic in the normal sense of the word, but their lives often are heroic. They are the people who are ready to go the extra mile for others and then slip away un-noticed. When we think of holiness what do we imagine? Perhaps one definition of holiness is the capacity to live without hankering after the past or imagining the future but being able to focus on the present moment. Such people are attentive to what is going on around them and in doing so can respond to whatever is asked of them. During the pandemic we have seen many such people, heroically giving endlessly to meet the needs of others. These are the blessed people. Today's Gospel invites each one of us to live humble, peaceful, and wholesome (holy) lives with Christ at the heart of all our actions and words.

## COVID-19: IMPORTANT THINGS TO REMEMBER WHEN YOU COME TO CHURCH

- Trace and Trace App - Our church now has a QR code which you can scan with your smartphone as you enter church.
- The wearing of a face covering is mandatory for everyone over the age of 11, unless they have an exemption. Please ensure it covers your nose fully at all times.
- Social distancing applies - stay 2 metres apart from people you do not live with where possible, 1 metre is allowed if wearing a face covering.
- Please do not talk to others within the Church itself. Conversations can be held outside after Mass.
- Ensure your hands are sanitised both before and after mass.
- When receiving communion, please extend your arms out straight to maximise the distance between you and the priest
- Please leave church quickly at the end of mass – do not stay in the porch or in your seat.
- Again, with social distancing, please move away from the entrance door if you wish to have a chat. We need to have

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clear exits out for those who wish to leave straight after Mass.

By keeping to the basic guidelines, we help to keep ourselves and others as safe as we can. Thank you.

- Andrew Gibbons

## STROUD FOODBANK

Stroud Foodbank partner with over 27 agencies and charities and 14 schools in order to reach over 1000 people. This Christmas is no different to any other time of the year. To help the poorer families in our communities celebrate Christmas, they are putting together Christmas hampers, which they need our donations for. They are looking for sweets, chocolates, luxury crisps, Christmas cake, Christmas pudding, mince pies, hot chocolate, nuts, savoury crackers, gravy granules, dried stuffing, tinned ham and Christmas preserves. They request for these to be donated before 4<sup>th</sup> December as hampers are packed and delivered by 14<sup>th</sup> December.

## ROSARY WHIRLWIND MISSION

The Rosary Whirlwind Mission for October culminates in the National Rosary relay Rally across the Dioceses of the British Isles on Saturday, 31<sup>st</sup> October between the hours of 9am – 9pm. Each Diocese has been given a The designated hour for the Clifton Diocese is 1pm – 2pm and there will be live streaming on <http://www.cliftondiocese.com>. The idea is that each Diocese across the UK will take an hour to pray the Rosary. The intention is for Faith, Life and Peace to prevail in our Nations.

## LGBT MASS

The monthly Mass at St Nicholas of Tolentino for the LGBT+ community, family, friends and allies has now resumed. As previously, they are held at 3pm on the third Sunday of each month. These Masses are also now being livestreamed and then made available as recordings, for the benefit of those unable to join in person. The livestream can be accessed via a link on the parish website: <https://tolentino.org.uk>

## CHURCHES TOGETHER

Additional representation is being sought for Churches Together in both Stonehouse and Woodchester. If you are interested, please could you contact Bogdan in the first instance.

### ST JOSEPH'S

## CAFOD

Thank you to everyone who has contributed to the CAFOD Fast Day appeal either by on-line donation or by returning your envelopes at church. £30 was raised in total and will be sent off and put to good use.

## THANKYOU!

A week last Monday, the farmer came to cut out large hedge. He came especially because rains were forecast for Wednesday. Four of our men came to clear up. One family even walked from Kings Stanley in order to help us! We are very grateful to all who helped.

- Bernard

## MISSIO RED BOXES

Please can you bring in your Missio Red Boxes for collection. You can place them in the porch where I will collect them. Many thanks.

- Brendan