St Monica's Catholic

Parish Newsletter

A NEWSLETTER FOR OUR COMMUNITY'S PARISH MEMBERS



SERVICES FOR THE WEEK – 1ST – 8TH NOVEMBER 2026

SUNDAY 1ST NOVEMBER – ALL SAINTS
10.00am – Deceased Relatives of McStravog Family

MONDAY – 2ND NOVEMBER – COMMEMORATION OF ALL THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED
12.00noon – For all departed Parishioners of Saint Monica's
7.00pm – 8.00pm – Prayer Group. Saint John Newman Church. ALL WELCOME

TUESDAY – 3RD NOVEMBER – SAINT WINEFRIDE. SECONDARY PATRON OF THE DIOCESE
Very little known of this saint. Lived in 6th / 7th century near Treffynon (Holywell) where a Well, named in her honour, became a place of pilgrimage and healing from penal times to the present day.

WEDNESDAY – 4TH NOVEMBER – SAINT CHARLES BORROMEO. ARCHBISHOP OF MILAN. DIED 1584
Remembered as an exemplary, pastoral Bishop and ardent proponent of reform and renewal.
12.00noon – Pauline Hall

THURSDAY – 5TH NOVEMBER –FERIAL
12.00noon – Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
12.30pm – For the Health and Wellness of Pope Leo

SATURDAY – 7TH NOVEMBER
11.00am – Sacrament of Reconciliation
5.00pm – Sharon Hopkinson

THIRTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - 8TH NOVEMBER
REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY
10.00am – For the Parishioners of Saint Monica's

SICK: Angela Turner and Sheila Miller **.** Please remember in our prayers all our sick and housebound and especially those who love and care for them.

THE MONTH OF NOVEMBER which begins this Sunday with the celebration of the Feast of All Saints is noted both for the remembrance of our deceased brothers and sisters and those who have given their lives in defence of their country. The practice of "praying for the souls of the dead" is rooted in the biblical tradition – it even occurs in the Old Testament Wisdom literature. Saint Monica, the mother of Saint Augustine, said to him that in the event of her death, all she desired was to be remembered each day at the altar of God. She reminds us of our mutual responsibility for each other while we are alive and after we have died. It is a laudable tradition in the Catholic Church especially during the month of November.

BICYCLES FOR ASYLUM SEEKERS in Warrington under the aegis of Canon Dave Heywod of Saint Oswald's, Padgate and Marian Gibbons (01925-815646.) has resulted in ONE offer to date. If you have a spare/unused adult cycle which you would be happy to gift to the cause (there were two requests for bicycles this week) can you contact Marian or indeed myself to arrange transport.

CHILDREN'S LOTTERY We enter that time of year when appeals to our charity grow more insistent and numerous. Dame Rachel de Sousa, the Nation's Children's Commissioner, records that Sunderland, Middlesbrough, Halton and Liverpool are among the hardest places for children to grow up. By contrast, Cheshire East, Cheshire West, Chester, Richmond-upon-Thames and Wokingham were described as the least challenging places to be a child. We will be taking a collection at Christmas for the children of our diocese.

HAVE A GOOD WEEK
GEORGE BROWNE