St Monica's Catholic

Parish Newsletter

A NEWSLETTER FOR OUR COMMUNITY'S PARISH MEMBERS



SERVICES FOR THE WEEK – 8TH – 15TH NOVEMBER 2026

THIRTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - 8TH NOVEMBER
REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY
10.00am – For the Parishioners of Saint Monica's
Coffee and Refreshments after mass and Fair-Trade Stall with a selection of Christmas Cards. In the Resource Room

MONDAY – 9TH NOVEMBER – DEDICATION OF THE LATERAN BASILICA IN ROME
The Basilica of Saint John Lateran is the Pope's Parish Church and first publicly dedicated basilica in Christendom
7.00pm – 8.00pm – Prayer Group. Saint John Newman. ALL WELCOME

TUESDAY – 10TH NOVEMBER – SAINT LEO THE GREAT (POPE AND DOCTOR OF THE CHURCH)
Elected Pope in 440, Leo died on this day in 463. He tried to protect the City of Rome from the devastation of the Barbarians. He is remembered for his scholarship and prayers for the liturgy.
12.00noon – Mary, George and Anthony Browne

WEDNESDAY – 11TH NOVEMBER – SAINT MARTIN, (BISHOP OF TOURS.) DIED 397
Martin is remembered for his generosity to the poor, his opposition to the persecution of heretics and his pastoral care.
10.00am – For the Victims of War
10.30am – S.V.P. meeting

THURSDAY – 12TH NOVEMBER – SAINT JOSAPHAT (BISHOP AND MARTYR). DIED 1623
Born in the Ukraine and became Bishop of Polosk in 1617. Tensions between the Church and the King led to unrest and his death
12.00noon – Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

12.30pm – Peter Fogg

SATURDAY – 14TH NOVEMBER
5.00pm – For the Parishioners of Saint Monica's

THIRTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - 15TH NOVEMBER
10.00am – David Donlan
WORLD DAY OF PRAYER FOR THE POOR

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

As mentioned, this weekend, 7th / 8th November, there is a Fair-Trade Stall in the Resource Room after the weekend masses. Your support is always welcome as any profit accruing from sales is directed to helping the less fortunate.

Thank you for your mass offerings for our departed loved ones. November list envelopes are available in the porch.

The First Sunday of Advent falls this year on 29th November. The Advent Books from the United States have arrived and they will be available next weekend. The total cost and shipping of the books from Michigan for the seasons of Advent, Lent and Easter is 945 dollars or in English pounds - £700.00 Sterling. If you would like to make a donation to defray the cost – use the mission Box just inside the church to your right. I shall leave it available till the end of Advent for your contributions.

The Final CAFOD collection from Saint Monica's realised £1769.00. Thanks again for your generosity. Thanks also for our donation of another bicycle to Canon Dave Heywood's Appeal for Asylum Seekers.

A THOUGHT FROM POPE FRANCIS FOR NOVEMBER
"If it is understood as the end of everything, death frightens us. It terrifies us, it becomes a threat that shatters every dream, every promise, every relationship and interrupts every journey. This happens when we consider our lives as a span of time between two poles:- birth and death; when we live as though God did not exist. A sure path comes by recovering the meaning of Christian charity and fraternal sharing, by caring for the spiritual and bodily wounds of our brothers and sisters. The one who practices mercy does not fear death. Because they look death in the face in the wounds of their brothers and sisters and overcome it with the love of Jesus Christ." *(Rome November 2013)*

HAVE A GOOD WEEK
GEORGE BROWNE