

## ASSISTED SUICIDE BILL

St John Henry Newman Parish are hosting a meeting in the Parish to look at the issues around the forthcoming Assisted Suicide Bill.

It will be primarily facilitated by a parishioner who did an M.A. Dissertation on the subject at St. Mary's, Twickenham and a parishioner who is a Palliative Care Physiotherapist.

Some parishioners may feel that what is being proposed is a 'kind and caring' way forward, so it would be good to enable discussion to take place..

Please see poster for details and all will be welcome.

### Assisted Suicide Bill Resources

The CBCEW website has been updated with a raft of resources for your people to be informed regarding the assisted suicide legislation that is currently working its way through Parliament. This link will take you to the relevant page on the website: <https://www.cbcew.org.uk/opposing-assisted-suicide/>

The posters on the webpage are also attached and have QR codes. This first poster, links to the Right to Life UK website. It provides a simple digital form and suggested letter that helps Catholics contact their MP to ask them to stop assisted suicide being rushed into law. The second poster links to the assisted suicide resources page on the Bishops' Conference website (link above) where you will find resources laying out the Catholic position on assisted suicide, and what you can do to stop its legalisation.

Most importantly pray for the guidance on the Holy Spirit on all those who have the vote on this matter and especially for the Lord's haling for those suffering from terminal illness.

**Pope's prayer intention for October** For a shared mission - We pray that the Church continue to sustain in all ways a synodal lifestyle, as a sign of co-responsibility, promoting the participation, the communion and the mission shared among Priests, religious and lay people. Amen .



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**SAFEGUARDING** - The Parish operates in accordance with Statutory Safeguarding Guidance and the National and Archdioceses policies and procedures at all times. Our Parish Safeguarding Representatives are Mrs Epi Pfunde and Mrs Lilli Brice-Bateman. They can be contacted at [sg.olol.kingswinford@racob.org.uk](mailto:sg.olol.kingswinford@racob.org.uk) or [sg.stmary.brierleyhill@rcaob.org.uk](mailto:sg.stmary.brierleyhill@rcaob.org.uk) or alternatively the Diocesan Safeguarding team can be contacted on 0121 230 6240 / [safeguarding@rcaob.org.uk](mailto:safeguarding@rcaob.org.uk) if you have any concern.

## 29TH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR B

**20TH OCTOBER 2024**

### PSALM RESPONSE

May your love be upon us, O Lord, as we place all our hope in you.

### GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia!

I am the Way, the Truth and the Life, says the Lord,  
no one can come to the Father except through me.

Alleluia, alleluia!

### COMMUNION ANTIPHON

Behold the eyes of the Lord are on those who fear him,  
who hope in his merciful love, to rescue their souls from death,  
to keep them alive in famine.

Ordinary B1	Ordinary	Intention/Info
<b>Sunday 19th/20th 29th Sunday of the Year</b>	<b>5pm Mass KF 9.45am Mass BH</b>	People of the Parish Gareth Floyd
Monday 21st	<b>10am Mass KF</b>	Private Intention ICC
Tuesday 22nd	<b>NO MASS</b>	—————
Wednesday 23rd	<b>10am Mass BH 10.30am-11am BH</b>	Chandy Joseph Adoration and Confessions
Thursday 24th	<b>9am Mass School</b>	School intention
Friday 25th	<b>10am Mass KF 10.30am-11am KF</b>	Teresa Gray Adoration and Confessions
Saturday 26th	<b>5pm Mass KF</b>	People of the Parish
<b>Sunday 26th/27th 30th Sunday of the Year</b>	<b>5pm Mass KF 9.45am Mass BH</b>	People of the Parish Margaret Montgomery

Please pray for all those whose have died recently especially Jackie Yates, those on our October deceased lists and for all those whose anniversaries occur at this time. May they all rest in peace.

Please pray for all those who are sick including Beryl Backler, Ed Benedict, Melina Simpson, Joyce Southall, Fr Cecil, Irene Brown, Christine Holding, Christine, Marlene and Tony Lyons, Ian Manley, Noel O'Reilly, Georgina Czuk, Martha Jones, Mavis Geach, Sheila Rowley, Roger Ward, Pauline Bant, Dorothy West, Kath Emery, Patricia Smith, Chris and Tony Rylands, Margaret List, Ken Lowe, Rob Bryan, Betty Storey and Connie Birch. May the Lord grant them hope and healing.

### **SECOND COLLECTIONS - This week for Missio, next week for our Sisters.**

**Collections** BH GA £148.00 Loose £230.08 Maintenance £119.64 CAFOD £20.00 Hall hire £50.00 Church Donation £50.00  
KF GA £92.00 Loose £140.17 Maintenance £61.97 CAFOD £25.00

**BRIERLEY HILL: Craft Group** Mon 21st October 2pm to 4pm in Parish Centre  
**KINGSWINFORD:** Friday 9.30 - 11.30am **Foodbank** .

**FOODBANKS - If you are able to donate to them they will be happy to accept your donations as the need is growing.**

### **Today we welcome Fr Stefan to Mass at Kingswinford**

**Tea/coffee after Mass** - Please join Fr Shanju and stay for tea and coffee after Mass on Sunday morning at BH for a chat and a catch up.

**Missio Red Boxes:** If you have a Red Box for KF to be emptied, please return it to Richard Turner in the Narthex at Saturday Mass. Thank you.

**Key holders** - If you have any keys for any building belonging to the Church the Diocese now require you to complete a form that will be kept securely in the office. Please ask Father for a form after Mass.

**Divine Mercy chaplet** starting in November The Divine mercy Chaplet will be said during Adoration on Wednesdays and Fridays.

**Children at non-Catholic schools** - if there are any children at non-Catholic schools who are due to receive First Communion or Confirmation, please speak to Father as soon as possible.

**Fundraising meeting at BH** Wednesday 23rd October at 7.30pm, all welcome

**Mass intention for November** - If any one wants a Mass said for the deceased during November please put the name and any offering in an envelope and pass it to Father as soon as possible. Thank you.

**Grave blessing at Gornal Wood** will take place on Saturday 2nd November at 2pm. Please add your name to the list at the back of Church if you will be there to have the grave of your loved one blessed.

**Pilgrimage to Walsingham** - If you would be interested in going on a pilgrimage to Walsingham please add your name to the list at the back of Church so we can see if it is possible to arrange. If you have any other suggestions for a Pilgrimage please speak to Father by today.

**Christmas fayre and raffle at BH** Saturday 23rd November 10am-2pm. Tickets on sale now prizes are £100.00 cash, hamper, whiskey plus many more. We need to raise money to repair our leaking roof and mould problems. Please sell as many as you can and please donate what you can for our fayre.

**Marriage encounter weekend** 29 November - 1 December at The Ibis Hotel, Rugby The Marriage Encounter weekend and online experience are an opportunity to explore your relationship at a deeper, more intimate level, regardless of how long you have been together. For more information go to [www.WWME.org.uk](http://www.WWME.org.uk)

**Quiz and social evening at St Mary's** Saturday 7th December at 7pm. Everyone very welcome, details will be announced soon but **save the date!**