

Mass offerings during November

If you would like to have a Mass offered for your loved ones during the month of November, take a Mass offering envelope and specifically mark the name and date and return it to the Parish Priest with your donation.

NB The only dates available are for week day Masses in November.

Weekends are available in December onwards.

Joint Mass for Deceased Priests and Parishioners

(Brierley Hill, Kingswinford, Stourbridge, Dudley, Tipton, Sedgley and Lower Gornal)

Wednesday 15th November 7pm Mass

Kingswinford

The Priests of those Parishes will concelebrate with Fr Shanju and their Parishioners will be invited to attend. There will be tea, coffee and refreshments in the Church hall after this Mass. Please sign the sheet at the back of Church if you will be attending. Thank you.

All Saints' Day

The day is dedicated to the saints of the Church, that is, all those who have attained heaven. All Souls' Day, which is observed on November 2, is dedicated to those who have died and not yet reached heaven.. Although millions, or even billions of people may already be saints, All Saints' Day observances tend to focus on known saints --that is those recognized in the canon of the saints by the Catholic Church. All Saints' Day was formally started by Pope Boniface IV, who consecrated the Pantheon at Rome to the Virgin Mary and all the Martyrs on May 13 in 609 AD. Boniface IV also established All Souls' Day, which follows All Saints. The holy day was eventually established on November 1 by Pope Gregory III in the mid-eighth century as a day dedicated to the saints and their relics. The May 13 celebration was subsequently abandoned.

Pope's prayer intention for November - For the Pope - We pray for the Holy Father; as he fulfils his mission, may he continue to accompany the flock entrusted to him , with the help of the Holy Spirit. Amen.



Catholic Parishes of St Mary's and Our Lady of Lourdes

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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 Miss Lilli Pace. They can be contacted at sg.olol.kingswinford@racob.org.uk or sg.stmary.brierleyhill@rcaob.org.uk or alternatively the Diocesan Safeguarding team can be contacted on 0121 230 6240 / safeguarding@rcaob.org.uk

30TH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR A

29TH OCTOBER 2023

PSALM RESPONSE

I love you, Lord, my strength.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia!

Open our heart, O Lord,
to accept the words of your Son.

Alleluia!

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

We will ring out our joy at your saving help
and exult in the name of our God.

Ordinary A2	Psalter week 2	Intention/Info
Sunday 28th/29th 30th Sunday of the year	5pm Mass KF 9.45am Mass BH	Sylvia Arnold Margret Montgomery
Monday 30th	10am Mass KF	Bernadette, Nicholas, Peter Jeavons
ALL SAINTS DAY - HOLYDAY OF OBLIGATION		
Tuesday 31st	6.40pm BH 7pm Vigil Mass	Rosary Gemma Wright
Wednesday 1st	10am Mass KF	Deacon John Brindley
Thursday 2nd <i>All Souls</i>	10am Mass BH	Dec'd of the Parish
Friday 3rd St Martin de Porres	10am Mass KF 10.30am-11am KF 6.30pm-7pm BH 7pm Mass	Donald Hale Adoration and Confessions Adoration Keralan Mass
Saturday 4th St Charles Borromeo	4.30pm KF 5pm Mass KF	Confessions People of the Parish
Sunday 4th/5th 31st Sunday of the Year	4.30pm KF 5pm Mass KF 9.30am BH 9.45am Mass BH	Confessions People of the Parish Confessions Lemuel and Kemuel Nkwegu

Please pray for all those whose have died recently especially those on our October and November deceased lists, all the Holy Souls and for all those whose anniversaries occur this month. May they all rest in peace.

Please pray for all those who are sick including Christine, Maureen Southall, Marlene and Tony Lyons, Deacon John Brindley, Ian Manley, Noel O'Reilly, Georgina Kutz, Martha Jones, Mavis Geach, Sheila Rowley, Roger Ward, Pauline Bant, Jeanette Amphlett, 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.

Collections BH GA £45.00 Loose £169.55 Missio £111.06 CTF £10.00

BRIERLEY HILL: Craft Group Mon 6th November 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.

Silence....Silence....Silence

Church is a place of silence and prayer.

So let us try to maintain the silence inside the Church, especially for 10 minutes before and after the Holy Mass. Consider others who wish to pray silently. Friendly chats can be in the porch and official talks in the Sacristy. Thank you for doing this. Fr Shanju

SECOND COLLECTIONS - This week for Missio, next week Sisters.

All Saints Day Holyday of Obligation

Tuesday 31st October	6.40pm Rosary	Brierley Hill
	7pm Vigil Mass of All Saints	Brierley Hill
Wednesday 1st November	10am Mass	Kingswinford

All Souls Day

Thursday 2nd November	10am Mass	Brierley Hill
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Confessions - there is an opportunity for Confession before both Masses next weekend. If needed, Confession can be heard after Mass on request.

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

Sr Margaret Ibekwe - is celebrating her Silver Jubilee on Saturday 25th November with Mass at 11am in St Mary's. She would like to invite the Parishioners from KF and BH to join her in celebrating this blessed occasion.

Churches Together in BH After more than 20 years as St Mary's representative for Churches Together in BH, **Brian Saunders** has decided to step down. This is an inter-faith group and it is very important that we have a representative for our Church. If you are interested please speak to Brian after Mass or ring him on 01384 832053 for more information.

Are you currently in Lower Sixth/Year 12/S5? The Christian Leadership Formation programme is open to any student who is motivated by their faith and their studies, with bursaries available as needed. More information and applications via our new website www.christianleadershipformation.com.