

October, the Month of Holy Rosary

October is dedicated to praying the rosary, and October 7th is the feast of Our Lady of the Rosary. Mary asked that we pray the rosary every day, that the rosary was a means to grow closer to her son and promote much needed peace throughout the world.

Throughout the rosary, we meditate on what we call Mysteries. These Mysteries centre on Jesus' Incarnation, ministry, Passion, death, Resurrection, and Ascension, the Descent of the Holy Spirit, and Mary's Assumption and Coronation.

The rosary is a path to peace because it promotes peace within ourselves, and that peace reflects on everyone we encounter. The rhythmic sequence of prayers is very calming and allows us to meditate more fully on the life of Jesus. It draws us closer to Christ because it is Christ-centered. And where Christ is, there is peace.

Why not try this beautiful devotion for ourselves this month???...Pray the rosary for a greater sense of peace, to bring you closer to the Lord, or simply, because our Holy Mother asks us to.

Though, as mentioned in the last newsletter, I am going for my holidays back to my home for a month, I will remember you all in my prayers especially in my rosary. I hope your prayers are with me always while I am away. I do suggest you to pray the rosary daily, especially this month is a good time for starting the daily practise of the Rosary.

Frs Philip and Stefan will cover the Masses in our three parishes. Hope to see you all healthy in the church when I come back...and the church is full with all our parishioners...

Let our prayers defeat the pandemic...especially with the intercession of Our Blessed Mother.

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27TH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR

3RD OCTOBER 2021

PSALM RESPONSE

May the Lord bless us
all the days of our life.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia!
Your word is truth, O Lord,
consecrate us in the truth.
Alleluia!

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

The Lord is good to those who hope in him,
to the soul that seeks him.

Within you will, O Lord, all things are established,
and there is none that can resist your will.

For you have made all things, the heaven and the
earth,

and all that is held within the circle of heaven; you
are Lord of all. (*Roman Missal*)



Ordinary (B1)	Psalter week 3	Intention/Info
Sunday 2nd/3rd 27th Sunday of the Year	Sat 5pm Mass KF 9.45am Mass BH 11.30am Mass OH	Personal Intention People of the Parish Barry, Rita, Deborah Nott
Monday 4th St Francis of Assisi	12 Noon Funeral KF 7pm KF	Bridget Mason Novena
Tuesday 5th		
Wednesday 6th	10am Mass BH	
Thursday 7th Our Lady of the Rosary	9am Mass School	Children of the School
Friday 8th	11am Mass KF	James Pereira
Saturday 9th St John Henry Newman		
Sunday 9th/10th 28th Sunday of the Year	Sat 5pm Mass KF 9.45am Mass BH 11.30am Mass OH	Sylvia Arnold Jack Doherty People of the Parish

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

Collections: KF 19/9 GA £70.00, Loose £121.00, Missio £77.10, Hall hire £75.00, Loan repayment £500.00 26/9 GA £115.50, Loose £125.00, Repository £100.00, Hall hire £80.00. BH CTF £45.00

BRIERLEY HILL: Craft Group Mon 11th October 2pm to 4pm in Parish Centre
OLD HILL FOODSHARE Tuesday mornings
KINGSWINFORD: Friday 9.30 - 11.30am Foodbank .

Please pray for all those who are sick including Pauline Bant, Jeanette Amphlett, Dorothy West, Margaret Gilroy, Jess Shaw, Harold Shackley, Michael Rose, Jill Rowe, James Kearney, Barbara Masterman, Margaret Shipley, Tess Barnsley, Steve Dunn, Lynsey Cooper, Alec Huffer, Kath Emery, Patricia Smith, Roy Davies, Chris and Tony Rylands, Margaret List, Ken Lowe, Peggy Tromans, Rob and Ilona Bryan, Betty Storey, Lily Petford, Connie Birch, Stella Jones, Margaret Marlowe, Don Neale, Anne Peters, Jackie Spittle, David Barnsley and Dawn Russon. May the Lord grant them hope and healing.

FOODBANKS - If you are able to donate to them they will be happy to accept your donations. The need is growing so donations are much needed and gratefully received.

SECOND COLLECTIONS - THIS WEEK FOR CAFOD, NEXT WEEK FOR FATHER HUDSON'S

Family Fast Day - If you have forgotten to return the CAFOD envelope this week please bring it with you next week and place it in the collection as normal.

IMPORTANT KF - Volunteers needed for your parish! In recent weeks the Gift Aid coordinator has resigned, the Red box coordinator has too and we still need a health and safety representative. Gift Aid makes a big financial difference to the Parish and without a volunteer that money will remain uncollected. The red boxes need some one to empty them twice yearly and pay the money into the bank. Without a health and safety rep the Diocese are not fulfilling their obligations worst case scenario we could be forced to close. You would not be responsible for doing the work but checking and advising Fr Shanju what needs to be done and receiving communications etc. All these roles come with training and are not difficult or too time consuming but need doing. Please seriously think if you can help and let Father know. If you want to speak to someone who is doing that role we can easily sort that!

Novena - Please note the novena prayers will be offered on Monday 4th October at 7pm and not on the Tuesday

House blessings - If you would like a blessing for your home please speak to Fr Shanju as he is very happy to come and do this now

40 days for life - Sept 22nd to Oct 31st - Please see poster at back of Church for more details about the "kick-off event" The pro-life movement vs Satan

School Harvest donations - we are very grateful to St Mary's school who are once again donating all their school Harvest festival donations to our food-share.

Pope's prayer intention for October:

We pray that every baptised person may be engaged in evangelisation, available to the mission, by being witness to a lie that has the flavour of the Gospel. Amen.