

The Parish of St Michael and All Angels Belmont Abbey

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Dear friends in Christ,

What a wonderful occasion it was on Tuesday to celebrate our patronal feast of St Michael & All Angels and the Solemn Professions of Doms Meinrad and Gildas. If you missed out the livestream of the Mass is available on the Abbey website: https://www.belmontabbey.org.uk/online-streaming

Next weekend is Prisoners' Sunday; it is the Catholic Church's national day of prayer and action for prisoners, their children and families, and all those affected by imprisonment. It is an opportunity to reflect on Christ's call, "I was in prison and you visited me" and to respond with prayer, compassion and practical support.

Pact is the national Catholic prison charity that supports prisoners, people with convictions, and their families. Rooted in Catholic Social Teaching, they believe in the dignity of every person and in the possibility of a fresh start. Next weekend there will be a second collection to support their work.

This week the fancy new card donation machine arrived and has been set up in the glass porch. With the new machine, the card reader is built in, so you can tap your payment card or device to the screen. The old machine will still be available and can take chip and PIN payments if required.

The Parish Centre has been receiving a few upgrades recently with hand dryers installed in the toilets and this week with new LED lighting and motion sensors in the corridors, kitchenette and toilets.

Many thanks to Fr Patrick for looking after the Parish Sunday Masses for me this weekend while I attend a hospital appointment.

My prayers and best wishes,

Fr Augustine

Belmont Abbey Parish Accounts for September 2026
- Income: £6,178.78
- Outgoings: -£-7,302.65
- **Total: -£-1,123.87**

Parish Standing Orders for September **£2,951.00**

Weekday Mass Readings are from Year II

27TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - YEAR A
4TH OCTOBER 2026

4.00pm	Vigil Parish Mass with hymns *Eileen Walsh RIP*
8.30am	Parish Mass *Brigid B Smith (Nee Hayes) RIP*
9.30am	*Sung Conventual Mass* *Marion Luscombe RIP*
11.00am	Sung Parish Mass *Forgotten Souls*
3.30pm	*Ukrainian Liturgy*
Monday	**Feria**
Tuesday	**Memoria - St Bruno,** *Hermit*
10.15am	Parish Mass with Adoration until 11.30am *Doms Meinrad & Gildas*
Wednesday	**Memoria - Our Lady of the Rosary**
Thursday	**FEAST - ST JOHN HENRY NEWMAN,** *Priest*
Friday	**SOLEMNITY - SS JOHN ROBERTS & AMBROSE BARLOW,** *Martyrs*
10.15am	Parish Mass *Helena Spolnik RIP*
Saturday	**Feria**
10.00am to 10.30am	Confessions

Conventual Mass
8.00am - Monday to Saturday

28TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - YEAR A
11TH OCTOBER 2026 - PRISONERS' SUNDAY

4.00pm	Sung Vigil Parish Mass with schola *People of the Parish*
Sunday	
8.30am	Parish Mass *Louise Wright*
9.30am	*Sung Conventual Mass* *Marion Luscombe RIP*
11.00am	Sung Parish Mass with the Youth Choir *Tymek Stojewski (Birthday)*

If you need a Mass said for any intention, please let Fr Augustine or Fr Patrick know.

Belmont Parish
- Cash last weekend: £237.76
- Digital last weekend: £187.50
- **Total donated: £425.26**

2nd Collection for CAFOD Family Fast Day this weekend
2nd Collection for the Prison Advice and Care Trust (Pact) next weekend

HOSPITAL CHAPLAIN: Fr Patrick Lobo is the Catholic Chaplain who makes regular visits. If you or a loved one wants him to visit while in hospital please let him know. Telephone: 07922 323603. In an emergency, or if Fr Patrick is unavailable, please contact Fr Augustine on the parish telephone number. He is always happy to visit.

SICK: Pray for Denise Ellis, Edmund Hayes, Seamus Hayes, Pat Draper, James Rogers, Sally Hayward, Margaret Rose, Anna Rudnicka, John Hackman, Maria Helena, Rosemary Nicholls, Beth Macbain, Florence (Flo) Ramage, Polly Maund-Powell, Joanna Savory, John Stannard, Anne Williams, Karolina Busko, Greg Primavesi, Derek Wood, Mav Kuhn & Karen Say.

ANNIVERSARIES: Pray for the repose of the souls of Thomas Forder, James Morgan, Anne Hardy, Ellen Stewart, Anthony Tulacz, Monica Blake, Myles Davey, Abbot Ildephonsus Cummins, Dom Vincent Dolman, Mary Green, Denise Patricia Huckle, Bruno Locans, Frank Taday, Jessica Esther Zochowski, Philip Wetz, Helena Spolnik, Monica Day, Cyril Lewis, Derek Stanley, Margaret Patricia Harris & Scholastica Lewis.

11.00AM MASS CHILDREN'S LITURGY: Currently takes place on the 2nd and 4th Sunday of the month at 11.00am Mass. We would like to be able to offer this weekly and are looking for volunteers to help on the 1st and/or 3rd Sunday of the month. Please contact Father Augustine or Helen Jenkins (hatka@btinternet.com) if you are interested.

WOW GROUP - Tuesday, 6th October 11.00am Belmont Abbey Parish Centre
The WOW group is a social group for widows and widowers being brought together by the shared experience of loss . Meetings are usually around 90 mins, opening with a prayer to remember our loved ones. We share a cuppa, cake and a host of different activities which have included quizzes, talks, crafts, simple flower arranging and bingo to name but a few. The group also go on outings, meals out and join in and support parish activities. Any widow or widower is welcome to come along to our monthly meetings of the first Tuesday of the month. For further information email: juliemirfin@btinternet.com

PARISH BEREAVEMENT GROUP: This week we launched the Parish Bereavement Group. The group is open to all in the deanery who have experienced loss and would like join with others in a group support. Meetings will be be monthly and last for two hours. The aim of the group is to provide a safe space to share grief, where people can talk openly about their loss, no matter how long ago, offer support and breakdown the feelings of isolation and loneliness. If you would like any further information please contact: parishbereavement26@gmail.com Or via the parish website www.belmontparish.org.uk

LECTIO DIVINA: The second introductory session to Lectio Divina by Dom Leo Maidlow Davis of St Gregory's Community will be on the evening of **Thursday, 15th October 7.00pm – 8.30pm in the Parish Centre**. Following this, the next meeting will be **Wednesday, 28th October 3.00pm – 4.30pm**. You are most welcome to share in this prayerful engagement with the Word of God. For more information you can contact Renata Schmidt: renata.jmj@outlook.com

CAFOD FAMILY FAST DAY: Took place last Friday. Please donate to the 2nd collection to support CAFOD Family Fast Day. Put your faith into action and share the Lord's love by supporting our global neighbours experiencing shortages of food and safe water. Your gift can support children like Tayla in Zimbabwe to stay in school by helping communities and schools provide nourishing meals, improve access to water and grow food in school gardens. Use the CAFOD envelope if you wish to Gift Aid your donation, call 0303 303 3030, donate online at cafod.org.uk/envelope or scan the QR code.

PILGRIMAGE TO FÁTIMA, PORTUGAL: Abergavenny parish is planning a pilgrimage to Fatima next year- Monday, 20th September 2027 (6 days/5 nights/Full board/transfers/coach to Airport etc) Costs are approximate depending on airfares at time of booking - Flying to Lisbon from Bristol. Sharing room approx. £820.00. Single approx. £955.00 Staying at the Domus Pacis Hotel, run by the World Apostolate of Fatima. Forms available from Fr Matthew - fr.matthew@live.co.uk, Tel: 01873 851051 and on the parish website: https://www.olsm-abergavenny.co.uk/

WALSINGHAM ROSARY FOR PEACE: Takes place on the first Tuesday of the month in the Abbey Church. Everyone is welcome to 21, Woodfield Gardens, Belmont for tea afterwards. The next meeting is Tuesday, 6th October at 3.00pm. Pope Leo has encouraged everyone to pray the rosary daily during the month of October.

THE BIBLE: MYTH OR HISTORY?: A free illustrated lecture series in Biblical Archaeology with David Rohl. Section Two: The geography and archaeology of Genesis - Session 8 - The Great Flood and the Tower of Babel Mesopotamian flood traditions. The Mountain of the Descent. Nimrod and the Tower of Babel. Saturday, 10th October 2.00pm to 4.00pm, Belmont Abbey. Free parking, Free entry. Monthly lectures on the second Saturday of each month.

CALLED TO LOVE: 'Who is my neighbour?' Pope Leo is calling everyone to take a fresh look at what it means to be human, especially in this age of AI. What are the implications for us as Christians? Come and find out more at the Caritas Archdiocesan event at St Mary's Catholic Church, Bridgend, CF31 3HS on Saturday 10th October, 9.30am – 3.30pm. Registration essential. For more information and how to register, see the poster in your church, email caritas@cardiffmenevia.org, click here or scan the QR code.

PARISH SUPPORT GROUP: Provides a regular link and support between the wider parish community and parishioners who are unable to attend Holy Mass or parish events due to a change in personal circumstances.

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