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Dear friends in Christ,

Today, parishes worldwide celebrate World Mission Sunday. By supporting Missio – the Pope's charity for world mission – we stand united as God's global family, in prayer, solidarity and action. The Holy Father has chosen the theme 'One in Christ, united in mission'. Since Pope Pius XI established World Mission Sunday (WMS) in 1926, it has grown from a simple appeal to support missionaries through prayer and giving into a global celebration of the Church's missionary identity.

As we celebrate 100 years of World Mission Sunday, we are encouraged to unite with missionaries as they strive to reach out with God's love to communities in need. Please pray for the work of Missio and give what you can to this vital collection. To donate, use the red bag, the card machines, Gift Aid using the Missio envelope, call 020 7821 9755 (office hours), scan the QR code or visit missio.org.uk to give a gift, set up a Direct Debit and Gift Aid your donation if possible.

This coming Tuesday (20th October 2026) I will be chairing the Christians Together in Ewyas Harold & District's Annual General Meeting. The meeting starts at 7.45pm at the Baptist Hall, Ewyas Harold. Christians Together in Ewyas Harold & District is the ecumenical meeting of Churches Together for the district Belmont Parish is part of within Churches Together in Herefordshire. As well as the business of the AGM, there will also be a discussion about ecumenical plans for Advent and for events in the first half of 2027. All are welcome to attend.

Archbishop Mark released the following message this week: "We pray earnestly for our beloved Holy Father, Pope Leo XIV. Now that we know that the recent operation was to remove a cancerous growth, we deepen our sense of solidarity with him and all battling cancer. I ask all parishes and communities across South Wales and Herefordshire to offer prayers for the Holy Father at Masses over this next week, and to offer a Votive Mass for Pope Leo XIV this coming weekend."

The Monastic Community will very much be keeping Pope Leo in our prayers; I hope you will too.

My prayers and best wishes,

Fr Augustine

29th Sunday in Ordinary Time - Year A
18th October 2026
World Mission Sunday

4.00pm	Vigil Parish Mass with hymns *Pope Leo XIV*
8.30am	Parish Mass *Hayes & Parry Families*
9.30am	*Sung Conventual Mass* *Marion Luscombe RIP*
11.00am	Sung Parish Mass with the Praise and Worship Group *Dom Dyfrig Harris RIP & Michael Harris RIP*
Monday	**Memoria - St Paul of the Cross,** *Priest & Religious*
Tuesday	**Feria**
10.15am	Parish Mass with Adoration until 11.30am *Pope Leo XIV*
Wednesday	**Feria**
Thursday	**Memoria - St John Paul II,** *Pope*
Friday	**Feria**
10.15am	Parish Mass
Saturday	**Memoria - Blessed Virgin Mary**
10.00am to 10.30am	Confessions

Conventual Mass
8.00am - Monday to Saturday

30th Sunday in Ordinary Time - Year A
25th October 2026

4.00pm	Vigil Parish Mass with hymns *People of the Parish*
Sunday	
8.30am	Parish Mass *Derrick Murphy RIP*
9.30am	*Sung Conventual Mass*
11.00am	Sung Parish Mass with Children's Liturgy *Joey Mazzone RIP*

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

Weekday Mass Readings are from Year II

2nd Collection for Missio this weekend.

1st Collection (Belmont Parish)
- Cash last weekend: £230.85
- Digital last weekend: £167.50
- **Total donated: £398.35**

2nd Collection (Pact)
- Cash last weekend: £143.59
- Digital last weekend: £92.00
- **Total donated: £235.59**

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, Mav Kuhn & Karen Say.

ANNIVERSARIES: Pray for the repose of the souls of John Cotterell, Jos O'Farrell, Christopher Fookes, Anne McManus, Teresa Nicholls, Ida Mary Osborne, Elizabeth Scullion, Dom Stephen Holdsworth, Dom Paul Bloom, Bridget Barton, Kieran Roebuck, Mary Behau, Violet Rosser & Elizabeth Webster.

PARISH SUPPORT NETWORK GATHERING: All parishioners are warmly invited to join us on Friday, 23rd October at 11am (after Mass) in the Richardson Room of The Chapterhouse for tea, coffee, cake and a friendly chat. The Parish Support Network brings together people who care about our parish community, helping us to look out for one another and offer friendship and practical support where needed. Everyone is welcome!

CHURCHES TOGETHER IN HEREFORDSHIRE OPEN MEETING: Takes place on Wednesday, 4th November, 7pm at St John's Methodist Church. Peter Spence, Spiritual Support Lead at St Michael's Hospice will be talking about extending psychospiritual care for those that need support at home in a new partnership with Hereford Cathedral.

CHRISTMAS FAIR – Saturday, 14th November, 11am–2pm
Come along to our Christmas Fair in The Chapterhouse and enjoy some Christmas shopping, with over 30 local stalls offering a wonderful selection of handmade crafts, gifts and seasonal treats. There will also be refreshments and a raffle, so bring your family and friends and join us for a lovely festive occasion!

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.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNIONS 2027: If your child is in Year 3 or above and you would like him/her to receive First Holy Communion in 2027, please email Rob and Jacqui Corrigan on fhc.belmontabbey@gmail.com by the end of December to register your interest. The classes will run from January to June on alternate Saturday mornings with the Mass taking place on or around Corpus Christi.

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: All are very welcome to attend one or both of the following sessions which will be held on the afternoon of **Wednesday 28th October 3.00pm – 4.00pm**, and on the evening of **Thursday of 5th November 7.00pm – 8.00pm**. Each session will be followed by refreshments for those who wish. For more information you can contact Renata Schmidt: renata.jmj@outlook.com

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/

THE BIBLE: MYTH OR HISTORY?: A free illustrated lecture series in Biblical Archaeology with David Rohl. Section Two: The Dispersion of the Nations - Session 9 - The descendants of Noah – Cush, Mizraim, Put, and Canaan. Discoveries in Egypt's Eastern Desert. The iconography of Mesopotamian influence in early pharaonic Egypt. Saturday, 21st November 2.00pm to 4.00pm, Belmont Abbey Parish Centre. Free parking, Free entry. Monthly lectures usually on the second Saturday of each month except this month.

PARISH CHRISTMAS CONCERT – Saturday, 5th December at 7.00pm
Join us in The Chapterhouse for a wonderful evening of festive music featuring the Hereford Police Male Voice Choir. Come along with family and friends for a magical start to the Christmas season, while supporting our parish.

Tickets: £10 adults, £5 children under 10. They can be booked by scanning the QR code or by contacting Linzy Parry on 07929 277604 or emailing linzy.parry1@btopenworld.com.

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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