

The Parish of St Michael and All Angels Belmont Abbey

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Dear friends in Christ,

This week we have the visit of the relics of St Gerard Majella taking place on Monday. The relics will be available for prayer from 6.30pm (after Vespers) with Mass at 7.00pm celebrated by Father Prior. Blessings with the relics will be available after Mass, along with tea and coffee in The Chapterhouse. Fr Royston Pryce CssR will be preaching on the life of St Gerard, as we celebrate the 300th anniversary of his birth. St Gerard is the Patron Saint of mothers, couples trying to conceive, those looking for work, and making a good confession. It will be good to welcome Fr Royston back to Belmont since he preached at the May Procession in 2024.

On Thursday we celebrate St Hilda of Whitby, whom we now celebrate as a Feast since she has been approved as the female secondary patron of the English Benedictine Congregation. St Hilda was a seventh-century abbess and one of the most influential women in the early English Church. As Abbess of Whitby, she established a flourishing dual monastery that became a centre of prayer, learning, and Christian culture. Renowned for her wisdom, holiness, and gift for leadership, she also played an important part in the Synod of Whitby in 664, which helped establish unity in the practices of the English Church. St Hilda reminds us of the importance of wisdom, education, prayer, and generous leadership in the service of Christ and his Church.

Next Sunday we celebrate the Solemnity of Christ the King, which always takes place on the last Sunday of the Church's Year. Once again, there will be Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament from 1.00pm until the end of Vespers. This gives us an opportunity to thank Our Lord for all the good things he has given us in the last year and to pray for good things in the year to come.

My prayers and best wishes,

Fr Augustine

Parish Collection

- Cash last weekend: £268.67
- Digital last weekend: £192.50
- **Total donated: £461.17**

33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time - Year A
15th November 2026

4.00pm	Vigil Parish Mass with hymns *November Dead Lists*
8.30am	Parish Mass *Savory and Brooks families*
9.30am	*Sung Conventual Mass*
11.00am	Sung Parish Mass with the Praise & Worship Group *Denise Ellis*
Monday	**Memoria - St Gertrude,** *Virgin*
7.00pm	Mass for Visit of the Relics of St Gerard Majella
Tuesday	**Feria**
10.15am	Parish Mass with Adoration until 11.30pm *November Dead Lists*
Wednesday	**Memoria - St Hugh of Lincoln,** *Bishop*
Thursday	**Feast - St Hilda of Whitby,** *Abbess*
Friday	**Memoria - St Edmund,** *King & Martyr*
10.15am	Parish Mass *November Dead Lists*
Saturday	**Memoria - Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary**
10.00am	*World Apostolate of Fatima Symposium* *Mass with Archbishop Mark*

No scheduled Confessions this week

Conventual Mass
8.00am - Monday to Friday

Christ the King - Year A
22nd November 2026

4.00pm	Vigil Parish Mass with hymns *People of the Parish*
Sunday	
8.30am	Parish Mass *Sylvia Hayes RIP*
9.30am	*Sung Conventual Mass*
11.00am	Sung Parish Mass with Children's Liturgy *November Dead Lists*
1.00pm to 6.30pm	*Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament for Christ the King*

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

Weekday Mass Readings are from Year II

HOSPITAL CHAPLAIN: Fr Patrick Lobo is the Catholic Chaplain who makes regular visits but is on holiday until 21st November. 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, Karolina Busko, Greg Primavesi, Mav Kuhn, Karen Say, Dominic Primavesi & Fr Joseph.

ANNIVERSARIES: Pray for the repose of the souls of Dom Matthew Henson, Richard Hayes, Stella (Peggy) Margaret Keeler, Anthony Rigby, Roland Reynolds, Abbot Basil Whelan, Florence Buckeridge, Thomas Passmore, Francis Snell, Carole Elizabeth Upham, Anna Harrington, Patrick Joseph Lonergan, Elizabeth O'Shea, Brian Butler, Anastasia Maureen Clemens, Arthur Shaw, John McComish, Barry Lofthouse, Henry Lyons & Lilian Tyler.

150 CLUB NOVEMBER RESULTS:

1st Prize £40.00 No.34 Jeanette Livermore 2nd Prize £20.00 No.55 Pauline Gill

Drawn by Eddie Wyman. Witnessed by Witnessed by Jan Wyman, Annie Sullivan, Garry Chapman, John Hackman and Bella.

BELMONT ABBEY SHOP: Is open 2pm-4pm Monday-Saturday, after the 9:30am and 11:00am Sunday Masses and depending on staff availability after other special services. Unfortunately it will no longer open before the 8:30 Sunday mass. Br Alban who now looks after the shop would like to thank our current volunteers for their time and commitment. We are looking for more volunteers in the New Year, so if you are willing to help on a regular basis, please call into the shop for details.

VISIT OF THE RELICS OF ST GERARD MAJELLA – Monday, 16th November, 7.00pm Mass
Celebrate the 300th anniversary of St Gerard's birth with the visit of his relics to Belmont Abbey. Fr Royston Price CssR will preach at the 7.00pm Mass. The relics will be available for prayer from 6.30pm (after Vespers). Blessings with the relics will be available after Mass, along with tea and coffee in The Chapterhouse. St Gerard is the Patron Saint of mothers, couples trying to conceive, those looking for work, and making a good confession.

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 Fr 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.

LECTIO DIVINA: Future sessions will take place in the Parish Centre on the afternoon of Wednesday, 18th November at 3pm (this will include prayer to mark Aid to the Church in Need's Red Wednesday, so you may like to wear or bring something red), and the evening of Thursday 10th December at 7pm. As usual, refreshments to follow. For more information, contact Renata Schmidt: renata.jmj@outlook.com

Wednesday, 18th November marks the 10th anniversary of Red Wednesday, when you can support this charity through prayer, donations, the online shop, and/or wearing a red item of clothing as an outward mark of remembrance and support. This year there is also an opportunity to mark Red Wednesday with the Lectio Divina group. More details about ACN online: https://acnuk.org/

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.

SCHOOL BUSINESS MANAGER VACANCY AT ST FRANCIS XAVIER'S RC PRIMARY SCHOOL
St Francis Xavier's is seeking to appoint a dedicated and skilled School Business Manager to join their leadership team starting in January 2027. The Role involves overseeing school finances, HR process, Health & Safety, and premises/project management. A School Business Manager qualification or strong transferable leadership and financial management experience preferable. Hours & Contract: Permanent, 36 hours per week (term-time, plus 3 weeks). Requires five early mornings (from 7:45 AM) and three afternoons per week. Salary: HC7 (£26,860.79 - £31,202.99) plus pension. The successful candidate will be required to complete an enhanced DBS check. Visits to the school welcomed (01432 273941). For further details please visit the school website: www.st-francisxaviers.hereford.sch.uk/

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.

QUIZ SUPPER – Friday, 8th January 2027 in The Chapterhouse 6.45pm for 7.00pm
Tickets £15.00 per person, £10 for under 18s. Application Forms can be collected from the folder in glass porch. Donations of any Raffle Prizes (such as unwanted Christmas Gifts) greatly appreciated.

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.

Please get in touch with us on: 01432 374712 or belmontsupp@gmail.com