Prayer for Peace in the Middle East and Ukraine

God of mercy and compassion, of grace and reconciliation, pour out our power upon all your children in the Middle East. Let hatred be turned to love, fear to trust, despair to hope, oppression to freedom, occupation to liberation. Grant that violent encounters may be replaced by loving embraces and peace and justice be experienced by all. Amen

Gracious Mary, Mother of God and Our Lady of Kiev, we humbly ask for you to intercede for the people of Ukraine, for the people, their government, and all who suffer because of war. Be with them as you stood beside you son at Calvery. Give them strength and courage through faith, hope and justice. Grant, through your prayers, that peace may come to that troubled land. Amen



All Souls

November is traditionally the month when we pray for the Holy Souls. Envelopes will be available for you to place the names of your deceased parents, relatives, friends and all whom you wish to pray for. Please

hand these into Father Andrew with your donation and these will be placed before the altar. Holy Mass will be offered for the Holy Souls during the month of November.

FOR THE SICK AND DECEASED OF OUR PARISH

We pray for the sick of our parish both at home, in hospital: Joan Dykes, Ann Orchard, Barbara (Floss) Preedy, Sandi Bray, Jim Winters and Brian Tanswell. We pray for those who have died, Ross Williams and Tony Channin, Dom Stephen Holdsworth. We also pray for those whose anniversaries of death occur about

Horizons of Hope

The Middle Coming: Fr Michael Casey OCSO. For our next Horizons of Hope talk, a renowned Cistercian spiritual writer will talk about the interior landscape of spiritual experience: the quiet ways in which grace transforms the human heart. He is on a rare visit to the UK from Australia. Saturday 13th December, 10.00am - 12.30pm at 'The Chapterhouse', Belmont Abbey, Hereford HR2 9RZ. All are welcome.



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CHRIST THE KING

Christ the King	9	10:00am	Michael Morris
		6.30pm	For Peace
Monday 24th November	St Andrew Dung- Lac and companions	9.30am	Arthur Staton
Tuesday 25th November	St Catherine	9.30am	Holy Souls
Wednesday 26th November	NO MASS	NO MASS	Mass at Belmont Abbey & SFX
Thursday 27th November	Feria	6.30pm	Pro populo
Friday 28th November	Requiem Mass	9.30am	Deceased family and friends
Saturday 20th	Memoria of Our	10.00am	Adoration and Confessions
Saturday 29th November	Lady	11:00am	Jim Meenaghan RIP
First Sunday of Advent		10:00am	Fr. Stuart's Intention
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First Holy Communions 2026

The Parish First Holy Communion Mass will be at 10am on Saturday 13th June 2026. Those children within the parish who do not attend Our Lady's school still need to be prepared for their First Holy Communion. If your child is aged 7/8 (Year 3) could you, please contact Father Andrew by email on hereford@rcadc.org to register your child. This must be done by SUNDAY 30th NOVEMBER 2025 so that arrangements can be made for them. Please note we will not accept applications after this date. We will be in touch as soon as we have finalised the dates for the preparation course.



Healing Prayer Service at Belmont Abbey on Friday 28th November at 6.45pm. Fr Michael Clothier OSB will lead this service. Come to pray for your own healing, or also for the healing of others. As in Jesus' ministry, this healing is available to all who come in faith with the simple desire to be healed. All are welcome.

STARBRIGHT: A Reflective Course for Advent

As we prepare to meet the Christ-Child who comes as a light to the world, take time to pause and reflect on the mystery of the God who was pleased to dwell with us. Starting on Tuesday 2nd December, 6.3opm in the parish room of Our Lady Queen of Martyrs, Belmont Road. Over the four weeks of Advent, the course will weave together scripture, art, music and poetry to help



us reflect fully on the message of Advent. The course is open to all, so please come along as we embark on this special Advent journey. For more information, please contact the parish office on 01432 265177



Our Lady's Catholic Primary School - A caring Catholic education for your child or grandchild

If your child or grandchild was born between 1 September 2021 and 31 August 2022, you will need to apply for a Reception Class place for your child to start school in September 2026. Our Lady's School – next door to Our Lady's Church – offers a good, caring Catholic education in a happy and supportive environment. There are no fees to pay, and you can choose

a Catholic education even if it isn't the school nearest to where you live. We would be delighted to welcome you to this hidden gem of a school. Come and meet our new Headteacher, Mrs Przybylska, who will be happy to show you around the school and introduce you to some of our pupils and staff. Further details and application forms are available on our school website: www.our-ladys.hereford.sch.uk. To book an appointment, please phone the school office on 01432 274814 or email:

admin@our-ladys.hereford.sch.uk.

We aspire that, through the love of Jesus, everyone should 'have life and have it to the full

Reminder for your Diary

On <u>Sunday 7th December in the Parish Hall after the 10.00am Mass</u> we are holding our Christmas 'shared table' event. We want to make this a multi-national gathering representing all the different communities that worship at Our Lady's. It would be wonderful if people could bring 'different food from different places.' So please bring food to share, something that will reflect the many cultures that have made their home here at Our Lady's. Let us enjoy each other's company coming together from our many nations and languages to praise the wonder of God's love. You will be made very welcome.



Our Lady's Parish Christmas Draw!
Prizes Include
1st Prize: £50

2nd Prize: Food Hamper 3rd Prize: Meat Voucher

Other Prizes Include: Spirits, Wine & Chocolates

Tickets are now available after Mass price £1 per ticket.

The draw will be made on Sunday 7th December in the parish hall, during our shared Christmas table event.



On <u>Friday 12th December at 6.30pm</u> we are holding our annual, ADVENT CAROL SERVICE. This year we welcome the choir of St Mary's Lugwardine who will be joining us as we gather to sing the praises of God. St Augustine famously said: "They who sing pray twice" and this is an ideal opportunity for us to give glory to the God who comes to us in humility and love. So come along and join in thanksgiving and praise. There will be mulled wine and mince pies to keep us going.

Jubilate deo omnis terra. (Praise the Lord all nations on Earth)

A date for Confirmations has now been agreed with Archbishop Mark for Wednesday 17th June at St Francis Xavier, Broad Street. Anyone who would like their child to receive this Sacrament of the Church please contact your parish priest. Please include the full name and contact details of the young person seeking confirmation, also include their date of birth and the school they are currently attending. Registration details should be received no later than January 1st, 2026. Preparation classes will begin in the New Year. Further details to follow