

Prayer for Peace in the Middle East and Ukraine

God of mercy and compassion, of grace and reconciliation, pour out your 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 besides you son at Calvary. Give them strength and courage through faith, hope and justice. Grant, through your prayers, that peace may come to that troubled land. Amen

We pray for our new Pope, Leo XIV

O God, who in your providential design willed that your Church be built upon blessed Peter, whom you set over the other Apostles, look with favour, we pray, on Leo our Pope and grant that he, whom you have made Peter's successor, may be for your people a visible source and foundation of unity in faith and of communion.

Plate Collection/Offering at Our Lady's last Week

Last Sunday's Loose Plate collection: £242.55

Retiring Collection: £106.75

May God reward and bless you.

God from God, Light from Light

An Ecumenical service celebrating the 1700th anniversary of the Council of Nicaea: Thursday 12th June at 5.30pm at Hereford Cathedral. This has been organized by the Herefordshire Catholic Deanery together with Hereford Cathedral. We are delighted that Archbishop Mark will preach, and preside alongside the Bishop of Hereford. Do join us in this opportunity to witness to our common faith. What are we celebrating and why is it important? The Council of Nicaea, held in 325 AD, was the first ecumenical council of the Church and marked a turning point in Christian history. Its central significance lies in its definition of orthodox belief in the divinity of Christ, "God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God...consubstantial with the Father." It also gave us the core of the Nicene Creed, uniting the Church over the centuries in a shared profession of faith. Something to celebrate!

Please note that to allow as many people as possible to attend this important event the Parish Advisory Council has been postponed. There will be no Holy Mass at 6.30 pm. Unfortunately, there are no priests available to say it. My sincere apologies for any inconvenience this may cause.

WE BELIEVE, 25th-28th July 2025, A FESTIVAL OF CATHOLIC LIFE

celebrating the Jubilee Year of Hope, with parishes and families in mind. Four days of music, keynotes, conversation & worship, in the beautiful surroundings of St Mary's College, Oscott, Sutton Coldfield. Featuring Dr Gianna Emanuela Molla (daughter of St Gianna Molla), Fr Paul Murray, Mgr Michael Nazir- Ali, AnMari, Fr Toby Lees & many more. Pilgrim-attendees can choose to come for the whole weekend (camping, staying locally or coming from home) at an adult Early Bird rate of £70, or for a day for £40. Early Bird Tickets available now at

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PENTECOST, YR C – 8TH June 25

Sunday, 8 th June			
Pentecost		10:00am 6.30pm	Teresa Gross For the gift of the Holy Spirit
Monday, 9 th June	Mary Mother of the Church	9.30am	Pope Leo XIV
Tuesday, 10 th June		9.30am	Maureen Taylor
Wed, 11 th June		No Mass	Mass at Belmont Abbey & SFX Check the appropriate newsletter for details
Thursday, 12 th June	Jesus Christ Eternal High Priest	No Mass 5.30pm	Mass at Belmont Abbey & SFX Check the appropriate newsletter for details Ecumenical Service at Hereford Cathedral
Friday, 13 th June	St Anthony of Padua	9.30am	Father Michael Glover Private Intention
Saturday, 14 th June	Immaculate Heart of Mary	10.00-10.50 11:00	Adoration with Benediction with Confessions For the sick & housebound
Sunday, 15 th June		10:00am 6.30pm	Christopher Pick RIP <i>Pro Populo</i>
The Most Holy Trinity			

Prayer for Pentecost

Gracious Lord, you have fashioned everything out of nothing, giving life and breath to all that exists. You order everything according to your loving providence, and establish the relationships by which our lives are nurtured. Confirm in us the gift of piety, so that by our honour and reverence for you and for those you have given us, we may bear witness to the working of the Holy Spirit, and become instruments of a new Pentecost in our time. Amen.

Pope Leo's Intention for June

That we all might grow in love and compassion.

FOR THE SICK AND DECEASED OF OUR PARISH

We pray for the sick of our parish both at home, in hospital and in care homes: Joan Dykes, Denise Schofield, Teresa Gross and Barbara (Floss) Preedy, Sandi Bray, Paul Lissamen.

We pray for those who have died, Robin David, Adrian Quinn and all those whose anniversaries of death occur about this time.

PRAYERS FOR THE PARISH – Every Saturday morning (10.00am), we have Exposition and Benediction for the intentions of growing our parish and reaching out to those who need our prayers. There is an opportunity for the Sacrament of Penance (Confessions). This is followed by the Mass at 11.00am. If you cannot be there in person, join us on the live stream. (see the parish website)

Mass Intentions

If you would like a Mass to be said for your intention, there are envelopes available at the back of church for you to use. Holy Mass makes present the mystery of the Lord's death and resurrection. There is no greater prayer than the Mass, since it is the most perfect offering we can make to God. In offering Mass for a specific intention, we are asking that the fruits of Christ's redemptive power may be applied to the requested intention. The offering you make also helps support the clergy. I will try my best to accommodate your request however, if the date given is not available, the nearest possible date will be given. Please give a contact number so that I can ring you if need be.

1st Holy Communion Preparation Course – 16 Children from our parish are being prepared for 1st Holy Communion and the next session of preparation is this Sunday following the 10am Mass. It is important that children preparing to make their 1st Holy Communion attend the Sunday morning Mass before the Catechesis session. Their First Holy Communion will taken place, here at Our Lady's, on **Saturday 21st June at 11 o'clock**. Please pray for our children as they prepare for this special day.



Community Coffee Morning

Our monthly Community Coffee Morning will be held at 10.30am in the Parish Hall this Tuesday, 10th June. Everyone is welcome so do bring a friend or two!

PAC Nominations

The nominations for the Parish Advisory Council are still open so please take this opportunity to vote for those who you believe will represent your views and will glorify God by their lives and actions. Nominations will close on Sunday June 29th and the results announced soon after. The advisory council is a very important part of our parish life so please take this opportunity to vote.

Father Andrew

Longworth Catholic Chapel

We are very fortunate and grateful that His Grace Archbishop Mark O'Toole will be coming to celebrate Holy Mass in Longworth Chapel on Thursday 24th July at 11.00 am. The Chapel is on the road leading to St. Michael's Hospice, Bartestree. All are welcome

Contact: desmondkeohane@gmail.com for further information

Father Andrew

Father Andrew will be away at an archdiocesan conference during this week. Don't worry he'll be back.

Abergavenny Parish Pilgrimage to Lourdes

From **Monday 6th - Friday 10th October**, Flying from Bristol with Tangney Tours, £770, with £170 single supplement. Hotel Alba, full board. More information from Fr Matthew in Abergavenny, fr.matthew@live.co.uk, 01873 851051

A Gentle Reminder

Just a gentle reminder that mobile phones must either be switched off or set to silence before Mass begins. Thank you.

Exhibition on the Holy Shroud of Turin

Will take place at St Francis Xavier's Church, Hereford opening on Sunday 15th June with a talk from international from international expert, Pam Moon, at 3.00pm. The exhibition will run until Sunday 29th June.

Walsingham Rosary Group

We meet on the first Tuesday of each month at 3.00pm to pray the rosary for peace in the world. Everyone is welcome and there is time afterwards for tea and conversation. Our next meeting is Tuesday, 3rd June at 21, Woodfield Gardens, Belmont. For any enquires telephone: 01432 359867

First Holy Communions

On Saturday we celebrated the First Holy Communion Mass for our school children. It was a time of great rejoicing to see our children receiving our Lord for the first, but hopefully not the last, time. Please keep our children in your prayers that they may continue to spread the Gospel and praise God by their lives. A special thanks to Mrs Weston, and all the staff at Our Lady's School for their help in preparing our children and for all those who contributed in any way to make it such a special day. Thank you.