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Mass – Sunday
Sat 5.30pm (1st Mass of Sunday)
Sun 8am & 10am
Weekdays
Mass Monday, Tuesday & Wednesday 9.30am
Thursday as announced
Friday 7pm
Confessions Saturday 10.30am and on call

30th Sunday in Ordinary Time

23/24 October 2021

Saturday 23rd October

5.30pm Private Intention

Sunday 24th October

30th Sunday in Ordinary Time

8am James & Mary McDermott
RIP (Anniv)

10am Samuel & Louis Balogh RIP

Monday 25th October

9.30am Bridie Kelly RIP
(Bridie Williams)

Tuesday 26th October

9.30am Gino Mansi RIP (Ruane)

Wednesday 27th October

9.30am Anne O'Sullivan RIP

Thursday 28th October
Ss Simon and Jude, Apostles

NO LITURGY

Friday 29th October

Blessed Martyrs of Douai College

7pm Maria Smith Intention

Saturday 30th October

5.30pm Nuala O'Brien RIP
(10th Anniv)
Linda O'Brien RIP
(1st Anniv)

Sunday 31st October
All Saints

8am Nicholas Agnelo Dias RIP

10am Shirley D'Souza

"Jesus, Son of David, have pity on me"

"Moving through Mark's gospel - we come this weekend to a very well-known meeting, between Our Lord and Blind Bartimaeus. This account touched my own life very early; maybe it was the same for you? Though not sharing in the physical blindness of Bartimaeus I was deeply struck by the persistence of the blind man, pushed aside along the road. The gospel tells us that Bartimaeus didn't submit a polite request. We read that when Bartimaeus heard that it was Jesus of Nazareth who was passing by - he didn't cough politely to try to attract the attention of Our Lord. Instead 'he began to shout and to say – Jesus son of David have pity on me.' The blind man makes his strong request - despite those who want him to 'pipe down'. Dear people of God, look at and look again at this Gospel. It is powerful and reminds me to be very direct in addressing Jesus; to trust him so that each of us can be RESTORED. The Gospel ends with the reminder that the blind man with sight restored **followed Jesus along the road!**

Catholic Men's Retreat Day - local/Edgware

This invitation is a wonderful opportunity. Next Saturday - 30 October, Catholic 'gents' are invited to a Retreat Day, starting at 9am (until 5.30pm) in Saint Anthony's Centre, Edgware.

For details: STANTHONYSDICIPLESHIP@GMAIL.COM

This is something to taste and try!

All Souls Day Mass for COVID victims

We have our customary 'lists' available and envelopes - at the door of the church. Please write down the names of your departed. Place the list and offering in the HOLY SOULS envelope. There is a special basket for the envelopes. Through the month of November Masses will be offered for the names on our parish HOLY SOULS lists.

On Tuesday 2nd November (All Souls Day) Masses will be at 9.30am and 8pm. The evening 8pm Mass will be offered for all those who have lost their lives because of COVID.

Little Amal

Little Amal, a 3.5m puppet of a refugee girl, is walking from the border of Turkey/Syria to Manchester, 8000km, in search of her mother. On her journey she will visit Westminster Cathedral on **Monday 25th October at 2pm**, where she will be welcomed by Cardinal Vincent. You are invited to join Cardinal Vincent for this Welcome Liturgy and to learn more about

migrants and refugees. It is during half term week, an opportunity for families to come together. Further information about Little Amal's journey is available at <https://www.walkwithamal.org/> Please be seated by 1.45pm.

A message from CAFOD

Thank you for supporting our Climate Crisis Appeal for our recent Family Fast Day. Every donation helps us in our work and is gratefully received cafod.org.uk/climatecrisis Please pray for the success of the upcoming UN climate talks in Glasgow, COP26, from 31 October to 12 November. There are prayer cards at the back of church; please do take one and pray that that world leaders will put the needs of marginalised communities around the world, those most affected by climate change, right at the heart of these climate talks. For more information see cafod.org.uk/COP26

May the Holy Spirit inspire all political leaders at COP26 and instill in them the courage and gentleness to implement fairer solutions for the most vulnerable.

The word SYNOD means 'walking together and listening'

There are special prayer cards available today for the SYNOD journey. Juliet Martins and Daniela Amasanti-DeBono are going to be the pastoral link for our parish - to the diocese and beyond.

A recent email

Father Michael writes... "In my role as Catholic chaplain in Stanmore Orthopaedic Hospital - I have received a request from a nurse hoping to complete a 6 week course in Stanmore. Originally her accommodation was included, but now there is no funding 'because of the pandemic'. The dates are 14 February – 25 March. If you feel you could help - please let me know, but also please note that I do not know the individual making the request - so I cannot offer a personal testimony."

Our parish family from many nations (1)

"It would be good if parishioners could share a short update about life and times in their country of origin - in the light of COVID and other realities. Many of our parish family have Nigerian connections. Nigeria is suffering greatly in terms of continuing terrorism and conflict. In Biafra region - the Ebo people are under sustained attack; adults and youngsters. Our hearts are broken by the accounts of such cruelty.

Returning to Mass in Church!

On the first Sunday of Advent, the obligation for Catholics to attend Mass on Sunday and on specified HolyDays will be restored. You will remember that Rome and our own bishops lifted the obligation at the beginning of the Virus lockdowns. This will be an important step for our parish community. The parish will also review the continuation of live-streaming. Opinions welcome!!

A Daily Prayer to Saint Joseph - given to us by Pope Francis for this year of Saint Joseph

Hail, Guardian of the Redeemer, Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary.

To you God entrusted His only Son; in you Mary placed her trust; with you Christ became man.

Blessed Joseph, to us too, show yourself a father and guide us in the path of life.

Obtain for us grace, mercy and courage, and defend us from every evil. Amen

Readers Rota

<u>23 October 5.30pm</u>	Monica Clifford	<u>24 October 8am</u>	Rosemary Chukwulobelu
<u>24 October 10am</u>	Readings Tim & Mel Goodger Bidding prayers Carol-Anne Chandler		
<u>30 October 5.30pm</u>	Noretta Reece	<u>31 October 8am</u>	Daphne Byron
<u>31 October 10am</u>	Readings Georgia Nwawulor Bidding prayers Robert Chandler		

Counters Rota

<u>24 October</u>	Richard Afonso, Walter Acuti, Beatrice McAdam
<u>31 October</u>	Judith Brightwell, Monica Assoku, Funmi Da Silva