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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

27th Sunday in Ordinary Time

2/3 October 2021

Saturday 2nd October
The Holy Guardian Angels

5.30pm Bourke Intention

Sunday 3rd October
27th Sunday in Ordinary Time

8am Mary & Tom Conroy
Intention

10am Liam & Christina RIP
(Anniv)

Monday 4th October
St Francis of Assisi

9.30am Carey Intention

Tuesday 5th October

9.30am Andrew Fernandes

Wednesday 6th October

9.30am Mary Brightwell RIP
(Birthday)

Thursday 7th October
Our Lady of the Rosary

NO LITURGY

Friday 8th October

7pm Helene Amasanti Intention

Saturday 9th October
St John Henry Newman, Priest

5.30pm Lisa Pomroy RIP (Anniv)

Sunday 10th October
28th Sunday in Ordinary Time

8am Anne O'Sullivan RIP

10am Amandini Family Intention

This weekend – 'it is not good to be alone'

The first reading and the gospel this weekend remind us that the sacred relationship of man and woman is part of God's original plan for humankind. 'A man leaves his father and mother and joins himself to his wife and they become one body.....what God has joined together, must not be divided'. We live in challenging times when these 'guidelines from God' are now set aside, ignored or reformulated. All at our peril as men and women and the human family. All in the name of modernity! Even the holy words 'father and mother' are questioned and compromised. Time will tell. There will be a price to pay for these so-called improvements.

A Pastoral letter from Cardinal Vincent

The letter will be read out at Mass this weekend; takeaway copies are also available after Mass. Please take one home.

The Salvatorian College: Wealdstone

On Friday 24 September - the new College buildings were blessed and solemnly opened. Standing proudly next to Saint Joseph's Parish Church - the 'new' college opens up a new and exciting future for Catholic education in this part of the diocese - working closely with local and nearby Catholic Primary Schools. This is a big step forward and Stanmore parish is proud to congratulate everyone involved.

October the month of the holy rosary

In the 1970s and 80s it seemed that the Rosary 'went out of fashion.' It was surely Pope Saint John Paul II who restored this powerful prayer to Catholic practice. To the three well known decades of the rosary (joyful, sorrowful and glorious) Saint John Paul added the five LUMINOUS mysteries: 1. The Baptism of the Lord, 2. The wedding feast at Cana, 3. The proclamation of the Kingdom, 4. The Transfiguration and 5. The Eucharist – the Last Supper. Enter into the quiet rhythm of the beads and the reflective prayers. Monday to Wednesday – rosary in the church after Mass; before Mass on Friday evening. On Saturday/Sunday the rosary will be recited before the first morning Mass.

Father Michael: "sometimes we get things wrong!"

'The last 18 months or so have been challenging in so many ways, for homes and families, working patterns and much more; for parish life and

opportunities for priest and people to be together. Perhaps you have felt that as your Parish Priest I misunderstood! Perhaps something of parish life/suggestions during the COVID journey have been clumsy and caused 'offence' to you and yours. Please know that I am sorry and I deeply regret any hurt I have caused. The fundamental truth is that I love and respect the parish and each parishioner and family. You are all in my heart and my prayers."

Harrow Deanery meeting

The next gathering of Harrow clergy and pastoral workers will take place on Monday 11 October in Sudbury parish - where Monsignor Jeremy Fairhead (the Dean of Harrow) is Parish Priest.

CAFOD - Harvest Fast Day

The day itself was on Friday. After Mass this weekend - those who wish can use one of the CAFOD envelopes in the porch to make a contribution for the work of CAFOD worldwide. Pop the envelope in the basket provided.

Calling parents for our First Holy Communion Programme 2022

We will have our usual First Holy Communion Programme in 2022. This will be for children who are just now starting in year 3, or above, in school. If you would like more information at this stage, please make yourself known to Carol-Anne after the Sunday 10am Mass. Any of the stewards can point you in the direction of Carol-Anne to say hello. Father Michael will announce dates and provide application forms in a couple of months' time.

Father Michael writes

'As I shared with you recently dear brothers and sisters – at some time in the near future I will be stepping down as Parish Priest of Stanmore and moving into retirement. Of course, priests never really STOP! Mass and daily prayer, service of others and the wider needs of the Church continue. I will be helping out in various places where priests are away or indisposed. The diocese has now indicated a future 'home' where I will reside. It is in Bushey – so it is nearby, which I am happy about, yet not too near for the sake of the new priest!! In Bushey it is a house around the corner from the Catholic church. More details eventually.'

SINGING - with joy!

'There are some blessings in our Masses in the hall/church! One of the striking ones for me is the singing at the 10am Sunday Mass. Truly, it is much BETTER than in the church. The words on the screen make a difference and the combination of Jade, Cameron and Marcello leading-is powerful. People of God - keep on singing loud and clear. Praising God with our voices is a special experience together.' (Father Michael)

Readers Rota

<u>2 October – 5.30pm</u>	Martin Rush	<u>3 October – 8am</u>	Rose Okosi
<u>9 October – 5.30pm</u>	Jennifer Bourke	<u>10 October – 8am</u>	Freda Adzinku
<u>16 October – 5.30pm</u>	Lily Meghji	<u>17 October – 8am</u>	Georgina Martins

Counters Rota

<u>3 October</u>	Richard Wong, Pearly Jesuthasan
<u>10 October</u>	Amal Graham, Patricia Cleary, Marcello Borgese
<u>17 October</u>	Eddie Whittaker, Anthony Owolabi, Mary Kehoe