



St. Michael's Bulletin



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REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY November 11th, 2007

Saturday Vigil 5.30 pm Jessie McGinn

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1115 am The Fallen

Monday 9.00 Morning prayer & Mass

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Wednesday. 1130 am Widows and Widowers Mass

Thursday 9.00 am Eucharistic Service

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Saturday 5.30 pm Holy Souls.

Confessions each Saturday at 1130 am – 1200 noon: and after Vigil Mass.

FOR OUR SICK PARISHIONERS.

Loving Father, send Your healing Spirit on all who are distressed. We pray for those separated from their families and for those who have lost children and cannot find them. We pray for Frank Sweeney, Catherine Viner, Jacque Bussell, Eugenie Micotti, Claudina Rodrigues, Alison and Betty Gosling, Jack Daly and Philomena Smith.

Bring them Your healing and peace.

FOR THE DECEASED MEMBERS OF OUR PARISH FAMILY

We pray for all who died recently, for all who have been killed in wars, disasters and accidents throughout the world. For victims of terrorism and oppression; for those who die of starvation or neglect: we remember Bill Buffery, Geza Toth, Sylvia Warder, Eunice Dover and Maureen Norris, whose anniversaries fall at this time.

May they find rest in Your Love and Peace.

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REMEMBRANCE DAY.

“With proud thanksgiving, a mother for her children,

England mourns her dead across the sea.

Flesh of her flesh they were, Spirit of her spirit,

Fallen in the cause of the free.”

Today our Nation pays her respects to her War Dead. Throughout the country our fellow citizens gather at their local Cenotaphs and pay silent tribute to those who throughout the years have paid the ultimate price for our freedom. Sadly, conflicts continue throughout the world, and each day brings sorrowful news to yet another family. It is not just soldiers who suffer, but grieving families whose lives have also been torn apart. Today we must also pray for a renewed determination to bring peace to our world.

Today we remember The Fallen. Our wreath and poppies, placed at the altar, are a reminder of their sacrifice.

We show our gratitude and thanks by remembering and commending them all to the loving mercy of God.

MASS FOR WIDOWS AND WIDOWERS.

On Wednesday we shall celebrate Mass at 1130 for all deceased parishioners. I invite all widows and widowers to come to this Mass. I suggest we also bring a dish to share and then come into the house for a shared lunch afterwards. If anyone else would like to come along to share with us at Mass and lunch you will be most welcome

CLEANING OUR CHURCH. We always expect the church to be clean and tidy each time we come, and maybe we take it for granted that it will be so. But to achieve this there are a few busy people giving generously of their time. Thanks to all who have put their names on the list at the back of church. With so many new volunteers St Michael's will be the cleanest church in Christendom! A new rota will be made up shortly. Those who at present clean the church on their own may be invited to join up with others to make work easier and gentler all round.

Does anyone else wish to sign up as a volunteer, either in a mixed or men-only team?

SKITTLES WITH ST ANNE'S. The list for your names will be closed later today. Any more takers for Saturday evening's social at The Gardener's Arms in Surley Row?

CATENIANS. This is an organisation for Catholic Men. A speaker will be coming to us on the week-end of November 24/5th to seek recruits from among the men in our parish.

PIANO IN CHURCH. We now have a piano in church. Maybe some of our musicians may be tempted to come along and share their talents with us. Our new electric piano will, I hope, have an appeal to many who have various levels of expertise on such a keyboard. Please don't be shy. Come and have a look at it and try it out today.

DEANERY MASS FOR DECEASED CLERGY At St Anne's on Tuesday at 1200 noon. You are all welcome

DROP-IN CENTRE needs clothes for men. Gentlemen, lets have a good sort-out of our wardrobes before Xmas.

NEXT WEEK. The Preparation for Holy Communion continues at our 1030 am Mass. The children will be helping us come to a deeper understanding of the need to listen attentively to the Word of God in the Scriptures

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May we all have a safe and peaceful week. Fr Chris