Solemnity of All Saints **Sunday Missal Page 1066**

Entrance Antiphon: Let us all rejoice in the Lord, as we celebrate the feast day in honour of all the Saints, at whose festival the Angels rejoice and praise the Son of God..

Psalm response: Such are the people who seek your face, O Lord.

Acclamation: *Alleluia, Alleluia*. Come to me, all who labour and are heavy laden, says the Lord, and I will give you rest. *Alleluia.*

The Apostles Creed is on page 456. / Nicene Creed is on page 455

After the Bidding Prayers:

Hail, holy Queen, Mother of mercy;
hail, our life, our sweetness and our hope.
To you do we cry, poor banished children of Eve.
To you do we send up our sighs,
mourning and weeping in this vale of tears.
Turn then, most gracious advocate,
your eyes of mercy towards us,
and after this our exile show unto us
the blessed fruit of your womb, Jesus.
O clement, O loving, O sweet Virgin Mary.
Pray for us, O holy Mother of God,
that we may be made worthy of the promises of Christ.

To conclude the Bidding Prayers:

May He support us all the day long,
'til the shades lengthen and the evening comes,
and the busy world is hushed, and the fever of life is over,
and our work is done.
Then, in His mercy, may He give us a safe lodging,
and a holy rest, and peace at the last. Amen.

Communion Antiphon. Blessed are the clean of heart, for they shall see God. Blessed are the peacemakers, for they shall be called children of God. Blessed are they who are persecuted for the sake of righteousness, for theirs is the Kingdom of Heaven.

The newsletter is also available at www.saintmichaelsonningcommon.org.uk
If you do not need to take this one home, please return it to the console at the back of Church after Mass, so that it can be reused. Many thanks.
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Solemnity of All Saints **31 Oct./1 Nov. 2026**



SERVICE FOR DECEASED LOVED ONES:
7pm Monday 2nd November.
Everyone is welcome at this lovely service based on Evening Prayer for All Souls.

BLESSING OF GRAVES:
Kidmore End Cemetery
2pm Sunday 8th November.
Prayers will be offered at the graves of relatives and past parishioners.

In the Bible, Heaven is often described in ways that sound geographical because people naturally think in terms of places:
'up above', 'beyond the clouds', 'beyond the stars'. But Jesus says, "*The kingdom of God is among you."*
(Luke 17:21).
The Feast of All Saints celebrates the belief that the faithful departed remain part of one great communion with us. In that sense, Heaven is not so much 'out there', as the unseen part of God's family.
Where exactly Heaven is remains a mystery, but the feast reminds us that those who have gone before us are not forgotten and are held in God's love.

WELCOME TO ST MICHAEL'S

If you are a visitor or new to the parish, we welcome you warmly.
The Catholic Parish of St Michael's St Michael's Hall Hire Tel:01189723418
St Martin's Catholic Primary School Tel: 0118 901 5544. www.stmartinscaversham.co.uk
If you would like a home visit, please call Deacon Brian Theobald
Tel: 07484332580 or email dcn.brian.theobald@rcaob.org.uk
Items for inclusion in this newsletter: fran.stm.news@gmail.com
Most Masses are live streamed: streaming links can be found on our website.

2nd Collection this weekend for the Johnson Clergy Association

For over 315 years, this Association has supported priests, many of whom are sick, infirm or retired and who depend on the support of the Association. In the past year grants of over £399,000 were made to approximately 60 priests.
Please help care for those who have cared for you.

2nd Collection next weekend for Fr Hudson's Society

It is still possible to respond via the card reader to last weekend's appeal by Sister Anne.

SCRIPTURE COURSE: Friday 6 November: 10am

Thurs 5th at 7.30pm on Zoom Meeting ID 847 7279 9050. Passcode: 034423

FURNITURE REMOVALS!

A lot of furniture was removed and re-purposed by our parishioners. If you would still like to make a donation for the furniture, please use one of the brown Project 80 envelopes at the back of Church and label it' Presbytery furniture' or use the button on the Dona machine. Many thanks

CHRISTMAS PUDDING MAKING EVENING:

Forms are now available at the back of Church. Do come and join in the fun, dine well on a festive-themed supper and raise money for the Project 80 fund. Please return forms FAO Krissie to the sacristy or the new letterbox by November 8th please. Many thanks and we look forward to seeing you there

CHRISTMAS WREATH-MAKING WORKSHOP: SAT. 12 DECEMBER

Please arrive at 9.30 for a 10am start. Finishes at noon. Contact:
Eveline on evododd@yahoo.co.uk 0118 947 2899 or
Janice on Janice.halter@gmail.com 0118 947 4241

Could all holders of presbytery front, back or garage door keys please put them in an envelope with their name on and return them to the sacristy FAO Krissie

The Parish operates in accordance with Statutory Safeguarding Guidance and the National and Archdioceses policies & procedures at all times. Our Parish Safeguarding Representative can be contacted at: **sg.stmichael.sonningcommon@rcaob.org.uk** or alternatively the Diocesan Safeguarding team can be contacted by telephoning: 0121 230 6240 or emailing **safeguarding@rcaob.org.uk** if you have any concerns

Liturgies 31 October /1 November		ALL SAINTS
Weekend Celebrants: Revv. Andrew Foster & Michael Doyle		
Saturday Vigil	5.30pm	Marie & Paul Rogers: Intentions
Sunday	9.00am	Holy Souls
	10.30am	Maddy Sharman, R.I.P.
Monday	**9.30am** **2.15pm** **7pm**	**Eucharistic Service ALL SOULS** **Mass at St Martin's School** **Service for Deceased Loved Ones**
Tuesday	12 noon	Mass
Wednesday	-	No liturgy
Thursday	9.30am	Mass
Friday	9.30am	Mass, followed by Scripture Course
7/8 November		**32nd Sunday in O.T.**
Saturday Vigil	5.30pm	Barbara Stitt, R.I.P. (Birthday anniversary)
Sunday	9.00am	People of the Parish
	10.30am	Holy Souls

Confessions: *Available before and after each of the weekend Masses*
Sacrament of the Sick: *On request: 0118 972 3418*

Please Pray for our Sick Parishioners, family and friends;
Lord, send your healing Spirit on all who are sick or distressed.
Dominic Antão; Catherine Belletty; Robert Brooks; Joe Bunton; Savanna Clark; Carmelina Imperato; Mary Edwards; Rogan Hodgson; Vivien Kear; Jennifer Learmouth; Peppin Sanz; Dominic Sakrouge; Daniel Carroll; TJ. Cian Murphy; Ben Fox;
If circumstances change please ask for the name to be removed from the list.

For All Deceased Members of our Parish Family

We pray for all who have died, and for those whose anniversary occurs about this time:
Deacon Paul Grosvenor; Archbishop Maurice Couve de Murville; Fr. Frank Dawson; Suzanne Meyers; Anna-Maria White; Margot Gubbin; Patrick Barke; Rita Creighton; Henry Prendergast; Bertha Rementina Rodrigues; Paloma Evans.

May the light and joy of God's peace shine upon them.