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NEWSLETTER

Sunday 31st October 2021

The Solemnity of All Saints

WEEKEND MASSES: St. Augustine's Church: 6pm on Saturdays and 11am on Sundays.

Our Lady of Sorrows: 9.30am on Sundays.

WEEKDAY MASSES: 9.30am on Tuesdays, Wednesdays, Thursdays, and Fridays.

We would ask those attending to observe the usual protocol regarding wearing of masks, social distancing, and hand sanitising, track and trace (for those who do not come regularly).

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION (CONFESSION): Saturdays from 12.30pm to 1pm

MASS INTENTIONS

Sat 30th 6.00pm	Private Intention	Mon 1st Nov	NO MASS
Sun 31st 9.30am	Michael Cadwallader RIP	Tue 2nd 9.30am	Mass for Holy Souls RIP
Sun 31st 11am	Success of Climate Change Conference	Wed 3rd 9.30am	Carolyn Ansell RIP
		Thu 4th 9.30am	Society Intention
		Fri 5th 9.30am	Private Intention

SICK OF THE PARISH: Please pray for the sick in the Parish, especially James Ansell, Maria Cordosa, Dorrie Keating, David Mendes, Judy de Monte, Fred Oufi, Nino Puma, Michael Torpey and Roger Stewart. Please pray also for those who are caring for them.

PARISH COUNCIL: On Wednesday 3rd November we are holding a Parish Council meeting and we ask for your prayers, that the Holy Spirit will guide us on the way towards strengthening the Faith in our Parish.

MONTH OF THE HOLY SOULS: November is the Month set aside by the Church for us to remember all who have died, especially our loved ones. We ask for their assistance while we are still in exile, as we journey towards our homeland in Heaven. A box will be placed in front of the Altar at St Augustine's so that you can place the names of those your particularly wish to pray for during the month.

CAFOD Donations: Many thanks for your generous support for CAFOD as £349.75 has been donated so far. Your prayers and gifts will make a difference to communities on the front line of the climate crisis and those who are dedicating their lives to protect our common home.

MISSIO BOXES: If you have Red Missio Boxes in your home would you please bring them to Church this weekend. Many thanks for your generosity towards this valuable work over the years.

SLOUGH FOODBANK: The CURRENT WISH LIST IS:

FOOD. Long Life Milk, Tinned Fruit, Tinned Meat (stewed steak, mince, chicken in sauce), Jam, Long Life Fruit Juice, Long Life Sponge Puddings, Coffee (small jars), Pasta Sauce.

TOILETRIES AND BASIC ITEMS: Razors, Deodorants, Washing up Liquid, Strong Carrier bags, Shampoo

VOLUNTEERS FOR READINGS: We have a shortage of readers for the Saturday evening and Sunday morning Masses at St Augustine's. We would be very grateful if you would agree to volunteer. We will commission the new volunteers as soon as possible.

ALTAR SERVERS: We hope to begin shortly a few training sessions for the new Altar Servers, both for St Augustine's and Our Lady of Sorrows. Would anyone who wishes to join the list, please give their names as soon as possible.

THE FORTHCOMING SYNOD OF THE UNIVERSAL CHURCH: The Church of is convoking a Synod. The opening ceremony took place on Sunday 10th October in the Vatican. The opening of the Synod in our Diocese took place on Sunday 17th October. Each Diocese and Parish is asked to play its part in this very important initiative of Pope Francis. A principal aim of the Synod is to get the Parish together and listen to each other, so that we can, collectively, discover what the Spirit is asking of us in our mission to renew and strengthen the Faith in our Parish/Diocese. Bishop David has asked that a special prayer be said before the final blessing at each Mass for the success of the Synod. The prayer will be said by the community at Masses this weekend.

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

The Month of November – more than any other – is a time when we are more in heaven than on earth, because of the many saints whose feasts we celebrate this month. In today's Feast of the Solemnity of All Saints we celebrate not just the renowned saints whose statues have graced many of our homes, but the more intimately beloved souls, who have touched our own lives very personally and whom we have known and loved and now miss because they are no longer here with us. Today is their day, and it is a feast into which we can enter wholeheartedly, and which can draw us all closer to Jesus, because in faith we believe He has taken them to Himself, where they are enjoying the fullness of His love. It is an opportunity to thank Him for the gifts they have been to us and an invitation to us to reflect on our own desires and hopes. Today's feast is an invitation to rediscover that hope which is such a vital aspect of our faith – hope of being reunited with our beloved saints, hope of seeing what they now see eternally – the radiant light and joy of God's Glory. In that hope we dare to live that joy even now.

Fr. Frank

Have a good week. Fr Frank