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ALL SAINTS – 02 NOVEMBER 2025

SUNDAY MESSAGE FROM FR. SHYJU	WEEKEND & WEEKDAYS HOLY MASS TIMES			
Today we celebrate not only the great, canonized heroes of faith, but also the countless souls, who now stand in glory as a great cloud of witnesses surrounding us. What defines a saint? It is not superhuman power, but a simple, radical devotion to the Gospel. The Beatitudes are our blueprint. Sainthood is meekness, mercy, peace-making and the quiet endurance of hardship. It is a life shaped not by worldly success, but by the transformative love of Christ. Remember. We too are called to be saints, starting today.	Datchet	Sat 01	06.00pm	Margaret Auton RIP
	Eton	Sun 02	09.30am	Tricia Rice RIP
	Datchet	Sun 02	11.00am	Robert James Rogers RIP
	Datchet	Mon 03	09.30am	All Souls Day
	Datchet	Tue 04	09.30am	Charlie Kivik RIP
	Eton	Wed 05	06.30pm	Holy Souls
	Datchet	Thu 06	09.30am	Thanksgiving Mass
	Datchet	Fri 07	09.30am	Holy Souls
	Datchet	Sat 08	No Mass	
ROSARY: Twenty minutes prior to Holy Mass.	CONFESSION: Any Weekday after the Mass / by appointment			
BENEDICTION: Every Thursday after 9.30am Mass	EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION: Weekdays before Mass from 8.30am			

TEA & COFFEE will be available on Sunday after the 11.00am Mass at St. Augustine's, Datchet.

OFFERTORY: 25/26 October: Cash £199 SOs £210.

SICK OF THE PARISH: Please pray for James Ansell, Ken Byerley, Maria Cordosa, Maggie and Peter Darbin, Fred Flaherty, Madleen Magic, Terri Nicoll, Elaine Shaw and Roger Stewart. If anyone would like to have a priest visit them or others who are sick, kindly speak to Fr. Shyju.

PRAY FOR THE SOULS OF ROBERT JAMES ROGERS, TRICIA RICE & MARGARET AUTON. We send our prayers and condolences to Robert's, Tricia's and Margaret's families and friends. The Funeral of Margaret Auton RIP will take place at St. Augustine's, Datchet at 10am on Tuesday 11 November. The Funeral Service for Robert James Rogers RIP will take place at Slough Crematorium at 2pm on Tuesday 11 November. The Funeral of Tricia Rice RIP will take place at Holy Family Church, Langley at 11am on Thursday 13 November.

SATURDAY 01 NOVEMBER is ALL SAINTS DAY and is a day of obligation.

ALL SOULS DAY: As the 2nd November falls on a Sunday this year, the commemoration of the faithful departed will be on Monday 03 November. November is dedicated to prayer for all the deceased.

BEREAVEMENT MASS will be at **6.00pm on Thursday 27 November in St. Augustine's, Datchet.** At this Mass you can place a lighted candle on the altar in remembrance of beloved family members and friends. Please write the names of the deceased on a sheet of paper, which will be offered at the altar during this Mass. If you wish to offer a Mass for deceased family members and or friends, please complete a Mass Intention Envelope, place your stipend within, and give the envelope to Fr. Shyju.

REMEMBRANCE DAY, DATCHET: The service will take place at **St. Mary's, Datchet at 10am on Sunday 09 November.** We hope that members of our parish community will be able to attend.

CHURCHES TOGETHER IN DATCHET will hold their monthly prayer meeting on **Thursday 06 November at 7.45pm** until 8.15pm in The Bridge, The Green, Datchet SL3 9JH.

SVP APPEAL: It is our aim to provide each homeless man in Slough with a bag containing a **warm hat, scarf, gloves** and a **chocolate bar**. *Please do not bring any other items of clothing.* If you have any of these items going spare, please can you bring them to Mass next weekend (08/09 November) or the following weekend (16/17 November). Thank you. **SVP Slough Central Conference**

CHILDREN'S LITURGY: The next Liturgy for children (aged from 4 years up to their attendance at First Holy Communion Classes) will be held during the **11am Mass on Sunday 07 December at St. Augustine's, Datchet**. Fr. Shyju would welcome all parents from Eton & Datchet coming to the Mass with their Children.

SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION 2025/26: If your Son or daughter is in year 9 or above and wishes to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation in 2026, they need to register their interest as soon as possible. Parents/carers, please email your details to the Holy Family Parish Pastoral Coordinator: Kieranmckeown50@yahoo.co.uk Candidates will meet together at Holy Family Church, Langley at 7pm on Wednesday 19 November for an introduction to the programme.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION: Parents and Grandparents, do you have a child in Year Three or Four? Has your child made their First Holy Communion? If they haven't and you would like them to join our Parish's programme in **January**, please speak to Fr. Shyju or Anne Cannon. Classes will be held **on Sundays at 10am** in the Jubilee Room, St. Augustine's. After the class children will attend the 11am Mass in St. Augustine's, as this is an essential part of the programme.

SATURDAY VIGIL MASS: Please check the table of Weekend & Weekdays Holy Mass Times in our printed newsletter or on the Newsletter page of the Parish website, for information as to when the Vigil Mass will be held.

VOLUNTEERS FOR DATCHET: We need more volunteers to assist with Masses in the Datchet church e.g. Choir or Readers. You are most welcome to have a chat with Fr. Shyju if you are considering helping.

NATIONAL YOUTH SUNDAY – Celebrating the Gift of Young People is being celebrated on Sunday 23 November. This is a special moment in the Church's year to recognise and give thanks for the vital contribution young people make to the life and mission of our communities. Northampton Diocese will host a **World Youth Day Concert at Northampton Cathedral at 3pm on Sunday 30 November**, bringing together young people and parish communities for an afternoon of faith, music and celebration. General information about National Youth Sunday: <https://cymfed.org.uk/wys/>

SING THE SEASON – ADVENT 2025: From 11am until 4pm on Saturday 22 November at Our Lady Help of Christians & St Lawrence Church, Olney (MK46 5HH). This is the first of a new series of events organised by the Diocesan Music Liturgy Team. All cantors, choir leaders, singers and musicians (with their instruments) are warmly invited to attend the event. A £5 donation towards the cost of organising future events would be welcomed. Please bring a packed lunch. Tea and coffee will be provided.

THE BIG QUIZ NIGHT in support of Tearfund (the Christian relief and development agency) is being held at Datchet Baptist Church again this year at **7pm (for a 7.30pm start) on Saturday 15 November**. The cost is £10 per person. This includes refreshments. Come as a team (of up to 8 people) or an individual. To book a place email: office@datchetbaptist.org.uk

SPECIAL HARVEST COLLECTION FOR SLOUGH FOODBANK: Thank you to all Parishioners who bought along food and toiletries for the collection last weekend.



PLEASE CONTINUE TO SUPPORT THE FOODBANK

Boxes for donations can be found in each Church. The items on their Shopping List are:

Food Urgent: Soup (tinned), Cooking Sauces (long-life), Fruit Juice (long-life), Milk (long-life), Fruit (tinned), Tuna (tinned), Meat (tinned), Vegetarian meals (tinned), Vegetables (tinned), Rice Pudding (long-life).

Please note they have a 12 month supply of PASTA. It is NOT NEEDED.

Toiletries & Basic Items Urgent: Deodorant, Shampoo, Toothbrushes & Toothpaste, Toilet rolls, Washing up liquid.

Please make sure all food is unopened, non-perishable, in-date and undamaged.

Thank you