

**THE BRIGG 10K RUN – A Fundraising Event, and Parish Finances:** Nagham and Bashar Mikail Yasso are running the Brigg 10k Run TODAY (31st October 2021), and are asking for sponsorship **in aid of St Mary's Parish**. Sponsor Forms will be available in both Churches, and people in both Parishes are invited to respond to the generous example of this couple. Thanks to Nagham, and Bashar and all who offer support.

*We now have Lottery License from North Lincolnshire Council.* It is envisaged, that we could have a joint Prize Draw around Christmas, and perhaps, say, a 100 Club or some such. In both cases the profits would be shared equally between both parishes. Each Parish, however, can still have other specific Parish Fundraising events, and socials. However, ideally a Social Event, of any kind, will be with the emphasis on "social" rather than fundraising. (But raise some money aswell.)

Both Parishes will greatly benefit from having occasional fund raising events. However, people are asked to ask themselves if they are freely giving what they can actually afford to support the routine ongoing work, of their respective Parish, and support larger projects, as necessary. The ideal thing is to join the Planned Giving Scheme: using a Regular Standing Order or The Planned Giving Envelopes, and, if a Taxpayer, sign a Gift Aid Form which adds 25% to your offering, at no extra cost to the donor. (It is readily accepted that some people cannot increase their giving at this time).

Some completed, or planned, projects were insisted upon by the Diocese (who have been fully briefed on such matters); one has already completed in Barton and the other is in hand in Brigg. The Diocese had instructed that both projects are completed as soon as possible. The ongoing projects, were, as such, unknown to your P.P. at the time of his appointment and for some time afterwards. The Diocesan Buildings Commission had as them as standing items, on their quarterly agenda, for years. People need to understand that The Diocese was better briefed, than your P.P., on the history, and different solutions that had been suggested, and about possible legal entanglements with a previous contractor to do with Brigg, but the discussions, and the legal options, both had completed their natural course in terms of what some believe was a desirable outcome.

Your P.P. was instructed action had to be taken on the basis of the latest professional advice. In both cases that advice was sought by Fr Benedict and not your current P.P.. It is difficult for a P.P. to make a decision without internal and external advice, and the expert knowledge of The Diocese, as The Trustees. In one sense, it is untrue to say one was unknown to the P.P. Fr Benedict had very briefly spoken of one, as a much disputed and drawn out project, and from memory, he suggested it wasn't his first priority and that he had told some people that he had other priorities in mind, which they were not recognizing as important. Your P.P. didn't understand that, as such, the project was still ongoing until contacted by the Diocese, as was the case in Barton. With hindsight, it might be that Fr Ben was heeding advice from one side of the discussion. The Diocese, however, had been fully briefed on both sides of the argument, and all the options discussed and the entanglements.

The process for deciding expenditure is firstly to pay essential Bills (e.g. Utilities etc) essential Church Requisites, Household, Maintenance, any "Staffing/Office Costs, essential materials for Sacramental and Teaching works, and projects identified within the Parish, and by the Diocesan Trustees. People make offerings to God, and therefore donate to his Church, and not for individual items. (It is unlikely every one would have the same priorities). A bequest may be for a specific purpose, but the Diocese recommends they are offered for purposes decided by the processes outlined, Any opinions expressed are advisory and consultative, and not instructions to The P.P.. It is therefore not possible to have other than consultations but weight would be given to The advice of The Buildings and Finance Committee, Professionals engaged by the Parish or Diocese, The Trustees of The Diocese, and its specialists.

**However, in thanking for you for your past, and continued, generosity we, as The Church recovers from Covid, and it effect psychological, spiritual, and in relation to Church attendance and finance, need a renewed commitment on all fronts, and at levels, to move forward in confidence.**

St. Augustine Webster, Barton & Saint Mary's, Brigg  
31<sup>st</sup> Week of The Year Ordinary Time (B) Weekdays Year 1 Psalter Wk 2

| DAY                  | DATE                         |                     | TIME                       | ORDO  | INTENTION  |
|----------------------|------------------------------|---------------------|----------------------------|---|--|
| <b>Sunday Masses</b> | First of Sunday 31st October | <b>BRIGG</b>        | Saturday 6.00 pm           | The Solemnity of All Saint's.                               | Dave Moore R.I.P..<br><br>People of The Parish Ints ZS             |
|                      |                              | <b>BARTON BRIGG</b> | 9.00 am<br>11.00am         |   |  |
| <b>Monday</b>        | 1 <sup>st</sup> November     |                     |                            |   |  |
| <b>Tuesday</b>       | 2 <sup>nd</sup> November     | <b>BARTON BRIGG</b> | 6.00 p.m.<br><br>7.30 p.m. | The Commemoration of All The Faithful Departed - All Souls' | November Dead List (N.D.L.).<br>N.D.L                              |
| <b>Wednesday</b>     | 3 <sup>rd</sup> November     |                     |                            |   |  |
| <b>Thursday</b>      | 4 <sup>th</sup> November     | <b>ZOOM</b>         |                            |   |  |
| <b>Friday</b>        | 5 <sup>th</sup> November     | <b>BRIGG</b>        | 7.00 p.m.                  |   | N.D.L.   |
| <b>Saturday</b>      | 6 <sup>th</sup> November     | <b>BARTON</b>       | 12.30 p.m.                 |   | N.D.L  |
| <b>Sunday Masses</b> | First of Sunday 7th November | <b>BRIGG</b>        | Saturday 6.00 pm           | The 32 <sup>nd</sup> Sunday of The Year.                    | William and Alice Patchett R.I.P.<br>Margaret Dyer R.I.P<br>N.D.L. |
|                      |                              | <b>BARTON BRIGG</b> | 9.00 am<br>11.00am         |   |  |

**PRIVATE PRAYER: Thurs 10.0 –11.00 am. (Brigg) Friday 12 Noon–100 pm. (Barton)**

**VISITS TO THE CEMETERY: BARTON** after 12.30 Mass Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> November  
**BRIGG 2.30 p.m. Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> November**

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**Joint Parish Website** [www.bartonandbriggcatholicchurches.org](http://www.bartonandbriggcatholicchurches.org)

**Bank Details:** BRIGG RC PARISH/ST. MARY'S or ST AUGUSTINE WEBSTER RCP

For Donations go to our **Joint Parish Website**, or the **Diocesan Web Site:**

[www.http://dioceseofnottingham.uk/](http://www.http://dioceseofnottingham.uk/)

Where a one off donation or standing order can be set up.

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[www.bartonandbriggcatholicchurches.org](http://www.bartonandbriggcatholicchurches.org)

and our OFFICIAL Parish Facebook pages:

<http://www.facebook.com/stmarysbrigg>

<http://www.facebook.com/staugustinewebsterbarton>

*Please try the alternative sources if an issue arises with one of them. Thank You.*

**INTO YOUR HAND O LORD:** in love, we place Josephine McDonough into your merciful hands. We pray for those who mourn her especially her family and friends. May she Rest in Peace. Her Funeral Mass is at 10.30 a.m. at St Mary's , Brigg followed by Cremation.

**NOVEMBER MONTH OF HOLY SOULS:** It is part of our faith, and Tradition, that we routinely pray for our deceased: every time Mass is celebrated, in The Divine Office of The Church, in our private prayers, and obviously at a funeral, or on a visit to a cemetery or a Crematorium. However November is termed "The Month of Holy Souls", and the church grants certain plenary indulgences during that month.

Please note the details of the Barton and Brigg Cemetery visits on the front page, and that often, people attend Mass in much greater numbers on "All Souls Day", sometimes more than on an Holyday, and we propose a 6.00 p.m. Mass in Barton, and a 7.30 p.m. Mass in Brigg. That is on **Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> November**.

Usually, in a Parish, during November, Masses are offered specifically for people on the "November Dead List". The number of Masses offered varies from priest to priest and Parish to Parish. In some, it may be one on a particular day every week, or one Novena of Masses (Nine masses.) The pattern your P.P. is familiar with, and has practiced in every Parish, is that Mass is offered, where possible, every day for those on the List except when there is a funeral, or another specific intention requested. Essentially, "The November Dead List" is, in fact, **all the individual lists submitted collated to form one List** that is "your list" is part of the bigger list, and not a separate list. Which again, is why if you want a specific mass in November, for your deceased relatives, you need to ask now, because those names submitted as part of The November Dead List are part of one list and that means your deceased relatives and friends are included in the multiple Masses offered, not just the one. (We remind you that to have specific Masses offered throughout the year, as well, is good practice.) On days when there is no public Mass it is for those on the N.D.L

*Anyone who wants a specific intention, on a particular date, - say for an anniversary – should send in that request as soon as possible, as priority, otherwise, will be given to those on The N.D.L.. Every November Dead List Mass is for EVERY person on the List, and not specific individuals or families." (Your P.P. remembers that when he was a child, this mysterious list "The November Dead List" was published on a Cathedral Notice Board. Nobody explained to him that there were not many more fatalities in November!) In each Parish what happens with the List differs nowadays. However, as it is likely as the envelopes may contain confidential information they will not be put out publicly. As with all prayer it is not whether the intentions are publicly recorded, anywhere, but whether or not The Church prays! (Indeed the GDPR Laws require, in general, personal details of any kind should not "be published".)*

*It is traditional to include an offering with "The List" in the same envelope. **As with Mass Offerings, people often include confidential information in the envelope, and so whether it is put in The Collection basket or posted through the door at ST MARY'S PRESBYTERY it must, and will, be only opened by your P.P.** For example, if a Mass Envelope says "Private Intention" on the front then frequently inside there is a note sharing with the priest what that intention is. Or it is not unknown, that a deceased person may be a child that other people may not know had ever been conceived/born, or a name of someone people don't want publicly shared (because it is a private family matter.) No person, or committee, can override GDPR or a confidential transaction.*

**FACEBOOK OR WHATTSAPP:** If either Parish sets up a new Facebook page or WhatsApp group we will announce it publicly. **Only ones** we advertise are **recognised and endorsed by their respective parishes:**

<http://www.facebook.com/stmarysbrigg>  
<http://www.facebook.com/staugustinewebsterbarton>

**Our public groups on WhatsApp are:**  
ST MARY'S PARISH BRIGG  
LUMEN CHRISTI @ BARTON

**The Synod of Bishops 2023.** The Preparatory work: In our Diocese the discussion first takes place within Parishes. To uphold the integrity of the process, people who normally attend Sunday Mass outside their geographical Parish, or Diocese, and contribute financially to that Parish and Diocese, should attend the meetings arranged in that place. We have arranged the first of our meetings: **St Mary's, Brigg:** Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> November at 7.00 p.m. in The Hall. Suggested questions for each parish to consider: 1) What is my dream for the Church, for my parish so that it can become more outward-looking, more missionary? 2) To achieve this dream, what do we need to stop doing? What are we doing that needs to be developed or done differently? (The Diocesan Documentation relating to The Synod was sent out as an attachment with The Bulletin, and is published on our official Facebook pages, and our Joint Parish Website, and a scant look at the Scunthorpe Parish Bulletin will show they are using the same material as we are.

Brigg Methodist Church will be holding an **Advent Course** every Thursday lunchtime, starting on Thursday 25 November at 12.15 . We very much hope that some of you will join us. Revd Enid Knowles will be leading the discussions and we will be serving soup and a roll. Donations will go to a chosen charity. Please advertise these meetings in your church notices /websites/Facebook pages. It would be lovely to see lots of people there.

**TIMES ARE ACHANGING: 1. We would be grateful if you would publicise this Ecumenical Service, and attend if you can.** The publicity time is shorter than normal because the consultation that is the norm between Christian Communities, who are to hold a united or joint service, takes time. (Alas, even though it is jointly agreed we have already received a number of apologies.) **YOU ARE ALL WELCOME TO JOIN IN PRAYER, ON WEDNESDAY 17<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER, ON THE FEAST OF ST HUGH OF LINCOLN, PATRON SAINT OF THE SICK, ESPECIALLY SICK CHILDREN. (Former Bishop of Lincoln and Secondary Patron of the Catholic Diocese of Nottingham). 7.00 p.m. St Augustine's Church.** This will be the first jointly agreed service, arranged under universally established and widely published Ecumenical Principles, since covid began. It is a major milestone for The Christian Communities in Barton Upon Humber.

In a Document of June this Year it states: "The bishop's responsibility for promoting Christian unity is clearly affirmed in the Code of Canon Law of the Latin Church among the tasks of his pastoral office: 'He is to act with humanity and charity toward the brothers and sisters who are not in full communion with the Catholic Church **and is to foster ecumenism as it is understood by the Church**' (Can 383 §3 CIC 1983).

**2. A BAPTISM PREPARATION COURSE:** we will have a "pilot" Joint Barton and Brigg Baptism Course, for three families, beginning at 6.30 pm. On Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> November in Barton.

**HOLY MASS IN BRIGG:** Whilst work is being done, hopefully from Tuesday onwards , to create a Day Chapel, Masses and Exposition, will be in The Hall. Hopefully, we will be back in Church again in time for the Sunday Masses. There is no Mass on Monday because your P.P. has to go to work.

THE PRAYER, (By Saint Ignatius of Loyola): "Teach us, good Lord, to serve you as you deserve, to give and not to count the cost, to fight and not to heed the wounds, to toil and not to seek for rest, to labour and not to ask for any reward, save that of knowing that we do your will. Amen."