

THE BRIGG 10K RUN – A Fundraising Event, and Parish Finances: Nagham and Bashar Mikail Yasso are running the Brigg 10k Run on 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.) Any recommendation for the printing of Draw tickets would be welcome

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.

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.

DAY	DATE		TIME	ORDO	INTENTION
Sunday Masses	First of Sunday 24th October	BRIGG BARTON BRIGG	Saturday 6.00 pm 9.00 am 11.00am	30 th Sunday of the Year	Ralph Patchett R.I.P. People of the Parish
Monday	25 th Oct	BRIGG	9.00 a.m.		Private Int.
Tuesday	26 th Oct	BARTON	6.00 p.m.		
Wednesday	27 th Oct			Saints Simon and Jude, Apostles (Feast)	
Thursday	28 th Oct				
Friday	29 th Oct				
Saturday	30 th Oct				
Sunday Masses	First of Sunday 31st October	BRIGG BARTON BRIGG	Saturday 6.00 pm 9.00 am 11.00am	The Solemnity of All Saints.	Dave Moore R.I.P.. People of The Parish Ints ZS

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

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Joint Parish Website 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/

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

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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.

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.

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.)

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

A DAY CHAPEL IN BRIGG: it is hoped the work will begin in creating our new "Day Chapel", in Brigg, on November 1st. Before then, we may need assistance in emptying Sacristy Cupboards and moving stuff. If you can offer assistance please email: stmarysbrigg@gmail.com . Thank You. (We are not sure how long the work will take, but Mass on the Monday will be Church, but possibly any others, and Exposition, during the week, will be in The Parish Hall. (In the long term we think is a better space for smaller numbers, and it will be easier to heat and light.)

NOVEMBER MASSES: This year The Solemnity of All Saints is transferred to the Sunday 31st October. 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 2nd November**.

OUR DISPOSITION AT HOLY MASS: "One merits more by devoutly assisting at a Holy Mass than by distributing all of his goods to the poor and traveling all over the world on pilgrimage." **St Bernard**. It follows then, that this is a good word of advice: if the person you are sitting next to at Holy Mass insists on talking to you, indicate to them it is inappropriate and discourteous not only to God, but everyone gathered for worship of that same God. If that doesn't work stop sitting next to them, and pray they will grow in Christian maturity and in respect for God and others.

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 Augustine's, Barton:** Tuesday 26th after the 6.00 p.m. Mass (or 6.30 p.m.!) **St Mary's, Brigg:** Wednesday 3rd 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 POPE'S MESSAGE FOR WORLD MISSION DAY, SUNDAY 24TH OCTOBER: "...we too can daily touch the sorrowful and glorious flesh of Christ. There we can find the courage to share with everyone we meet a destiny of hope, the sure knowledge that the Lord is ever at our side. As Christians, we cannot keep the Lord to ourselves: the Church's evangelizing mission finds outward fulfilment in the transformation of our world and in the care of creation. **TODAY THERE IS A RETIRING COLLECTION FOR "MISSIO" TO SUPPORT THE FOREIGN MISSIONS, but we are all called to be Missionary.**

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.

SPRING FORWARD, FALL BACK: The clocks go back one hour on Sunday 31st October 2021.