

**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.

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.

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.

St. Augustine Webster, Barton & Saint Mary's, Brigg  
32nd Week of The Year Ordinary Time (B) Weekdays Year 1 Psalter Wk 4

DAY	DATE		TIME	ORDO	INTENTION
<b>Sunday Masses</b>	First of Sunday 7th November	<b>BRIGG BARTON BRIGG</b>	Saturday 6.00 pm 9.00 am 11.00am	The 32 <sup>nd</sup> Sunday of The Year..	William and Alice Patchett R.I.P. Margaret Dyer R.I.P N.D.L.
<b>Monday</b>	8 <sup>th</sup> November	<b>BRIGG</b>	10.30 am		Funeral Mass: Josephine McDonough R.I.P.
<b>Tuesday</b>	9 <sup>th</sup> November	<b>BARTON</b>	6.00 p.m.	The Dedication of The Lateran Basilica (Feast)	November Dead List (N.D.L.).
<b>Wednesday</b>	10 <sup>th</sup> November				
<b>Thursday</b>	11 <sup>th</sup> November	<b>ZOOM</b>	7.00 pm	St Martin of Tours Bishop (Memorial)	Ints ZS
<b>Friday</b>	12 <sup>th</sup> November	<b>BRIGG</b>	7.00 p.m.	St Josophat, Bishop and Martyr (Memorial)	N.D.L.
<b>Saturday</b>	13 <sup>th</sup> November	<b>BARTON</b>	12.30 pm		N.D.L
<b>Sunday Masses</b>	First of Sunday 14th November	<b>BRIGG BARTON BRIGG</b>	Saturday 6.00 pm 9.00 am 11.00am	The 32 <sup>nd</sup> Sunday of The Year.	John and Norma Clohesy, and Walter and Edith Pogson R.I.P N..D.L N.D.L.

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

**VISITSTO THE CEMETERY: BRIGG 2.30 p.m. TODAY (Sunday) 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

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

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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.**

**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 (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).

**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. OUR RECENT BAPTISM PREPARATION COURSE:** Thank You to Tony and Elizabeth for leading the Course, and the three families who attended this joint Parish Course in Barton. Please pray for the children, and families, concerned and for all seeking baptism, and that all Christians will live out in their lives what baptism is, and call us to be.

**JOURNEY WITH CHRIST, AND LEAD OTHERS TO HIM:** The need for personal contact, social activity and outreach is fully understood by most people, but we live in uncertainty. Let's seek to spread hope and confidence, and build up, and not knock down, or relive past dreams. New heart. Fresh vision. The Apostolic Kerygma is our basic message, and has 5 key points.

To summarize the main points of the kerygma preached in the early Church:

God's promises foretold by the prophets have now been fulfilled through Jesus Christ.

God has exalted his Son, Jesus Christ, at his right hand.

The Holy Spirit is present in the Church and is the sign of Christ's present power and glory.

Matthew 28:19: "Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit."

**WITH OUR EYES OPEN AS WE JOURNEY WITH CHRIST IN HOPE, LET US LOOK AT THE THE REALITY ON THE GROUND. He himself said his path, and ours, will be a path of suffering.:** Before the Induction Mass for Fr Michael on September 21<sup>st</sup> we were reminded "in June 2020 our Bishop wrote 'I have appointed Fr Michael as your Parish Priest in addition to his Chaplaincy work.....I know you will make him welcome....His extra (external) responsibilities...will mean that he will depend very much on your close collaboration with him. Please do all you can to work with him...?'"

The collaboration requires that we continue to be forward looking, and not replay "All Our Yesterdays", or constantly look for decisions made, based on Diocesan Advice, Civil and Canon Law, the P.P. alone makes decisions after wide consultation, and following appropriate advice, to be revisited. We must recognise the damage covid has done to every Parish and Diocese. It is for that reason alone that committed Catholics need to work to recreate and refashion a Parish for our times.. Even in this time of Mass Communication, which has proved a great help in the last 18 months, we still need feet on the ground, and people sitting or kneeling in the pews, and in Jesus' name welcoming others. Not "reinventing the wheel" may mean reviving or refashioning past proven agents of Community Building, and active Lay involvement, with a structured Home Visiting Group possibly based on The Legion of Mary, or The S.V.P., kind of approach. We need to reach out to those who feel unable to come back to worship "just yet", and we should work on the basis that it is better for a representative of The Parish (well a pair) to be within earshot than send a mailshot. Further no operates a call line for social contact with Parishioners, especially poor rural ones. To employ any admin for a few hours a week is now daunting in our changed circumstances. The kind of welcome, and reassurance, many people need is better done face to face, or on the phone.

If the "elderly" don't come out in the dark, and many of our "active" Parishioners have experienced many winters, what kind of socials should we have, and when?

It needs to be stated clearly that people who phone the Presbytery or email can be sure their voicemails or emails are received, and dealt with, in confidence. No one, anywhere, should believe or should suggest otherwise. (All messages received are dealt with in line with the priority that should be afforded them.) Our P.P. has done end of life visits within our Parishes for quite some months, and even in Grimsby, recently! It is important people use these modern means of communication. Small rural Parishes like ours cannot employ people for many hours, or indeed many people. All messages will be responded to as speedily and appropriately as possible. (Indeed, The P.P. recently was able to inform some Parishioners, who had been in daily contact with another Parishioner, as to how they could maintain than contact in the changed circumstances at that time.) *In every instance, people should be advised emails and voicemail left on the Joint Parish Landline (01652 652221) is the best option. Although we have a Parish Mobile it is entirely inaccessible during the core working day. (The Joint Parish Office is locked when the P.P. is not around, and if people are not in the house specifically to help in the office work. (It is not necessary for names to be published. Some prefer to give without the spotlight on them, and all volunteers, and employed people, are "vetted", or should be, by the P.P.. The saying "horses for courses" comes to mind.*

On Wednesday, in Brigg, our P.P. mentioned that he had been advised some of our regular weekday Masses would not readily attend Mass in a school at present. Some expressed disbelief. Coincidentally, he asked a particular person if they would attend a planned Mass in a school, for a specified reason, and they without hesitation said "No. Not at present". Views and experiences of things often clearly differ. Let us, with Jesus, keep our eyes looking towards the horizon, but not miss the reality on the ground.