

CATHOLIC PARISH OF OUR LADY OF LOURDES & ST. SWITHUN'S

NEWSLETTER



27 OCTOBER 2024

30TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

REFLECTION FROM FR. ANTHONY. Bishop Philip Egan reminds us today of the importance of standing up for life. As Catholic Christians, we are called to show to the world the inherent dignity of all human beings, regardless of their state in life. We respect the great gift of life from birth to natural death.

Let us unite in prayer and compassionate action to oppose assisted suicide, which is currently being proposed in the House of Commons. Consider contacting your MP to voice your concerns about the proposal and to advocate the respect of the inherent dignity of all human beings especially those who are sick and suffering. Template letters are available at the entrance of the church.

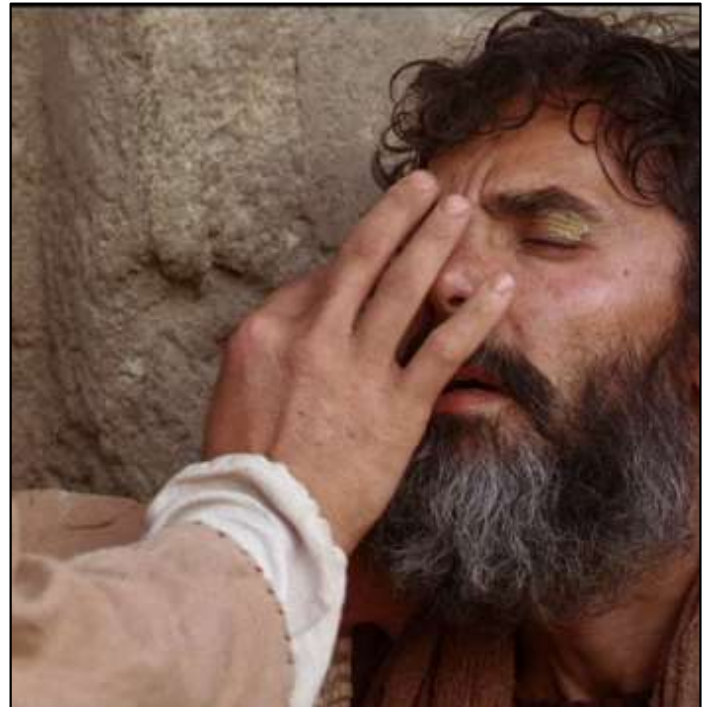
ALL SOULS. November is fast approaching, the month we traditionally dedicate to praying for All Souls, the faithful departed we have known and loved who are now completing their pilgrimage of faith beyond death.

COULD YOU HELP CAFOD? Your desire for a better world will help promote CAFOD's work, connecting your community with those overseas and enabling our sisters and brothers in the poorest places in the world to lift themselves out of poverty.

"When people are in need, giving money is not the only way to help. With volunteering, you give your time and skills to make a difference."

Please contact Jo Lewry for more information by email jlewry@cafod.org.uk or phone 07710 094447.

DIOCESE SAFEGUARDING TRAINING - Saturday 9 November. Further details are to follow.



GOSPEL. Mark 10:46-52. *"Go; your faith has saved you."*

MASS INTENTIONS AND OFFERINGS. It is a long-standing Catholic tradition to have the eucharist offered for a particular intention, for the living and the dead. We do this because our faith is centred on the celebration of the eucharist, the source of our life in Christ. Of course, Mass is free, but it is customary to make a donation in a form of Mass stipend or offering to support the presider. In the UK, the suggested amount is £5.00 but it is customary to give £10.00. If you would like to arrange a Mass offering, please contact the office.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION. Parents of year 3 children or older are invited to enroll in the First Holy Communion programme. Please collect a form from the sacristy or email the following address: b.mccreesh@ntlworld.com.

MASS TIMES AND INTENTIONS

Saturday 26 October - OUR LADY ON SATURDAY

6.00pm - Our Lady of Lourdes (Vigil Mass) - *People of the parish*

Sunday 27 October - 30TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

8.30am - St. Swithun's - *Peace in the world*

10.15am - St. Swithun's - *Harper-Rose & Harley-Rose Cramp*

Monday 28 October - 30TH WEEK IN ORDINARY TIME

No Mass

Tuesday 29 October - 30TH WEEK IN ORDINARY TIME

9.00am - St. Swithun's - *Vocations to all states of life*

Wednesday 30 October - 30TH WEEK IN ORDINARY TIME

9.00am - St. Swithun's - *Private intention*

Thursday 31 October - 30TH WEEK IN ORDINARY TIME

9.00am - St. Swithun's - *World peace*

Friday 1 November - ALL SAINTS

10.00am - St. Swithun's - *Mary Ann Glynn (RIP)*

Saturday 2 November - COMMEMORATION OF ALL SAINTS

9.00am - St. Swithun's - *Faithfully departed*

6.00pm - Our Lady of Lourdes - (Vigil Mass) - *People of the parish*

Sunday 3 November - 31ST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

8.30am - St. Swithun's - *Sick and suffering of the parish*

10.15am - St. Swithun's - *Faithfully departed of the parish*

SYRO-MALABAR MASSES Syro-Malabar Holy Qubana

St. Swithun's Church

Monday - 9.30am

Tuesday - 6.15pm

Wednesday - 10.00am

Thursday - 6.15pm

OFFERTORY. The Parish bank account details are as follows:

Lloyds Bank Account name: CDP Our Lady of Lourdes' and St Swithun Church

Sort code: 30-93-04

Parish Account no: 01730453

PARISH CONFESSION TIMES.

Saturday morning after Mass at 9.45am at St Swithun's, and 5.15pm at Our Lady of Lourdes. Other times are available.

YOUR PARISH CONTACT DETAILS

Have you moved since you first joined the Parish? Do we have your current email address? Have you added to your family? Help us to keep our database up to date. Thank you!

BAPTISM. If you are looking to have your baby baptised, please speak to Fr. Anthony Fyk or email the office if he is unavailable.

PARISH SICK LIST. Do you know of someone who is ill and would like Holy Communion at home? If so, please let Fr. Anthony Fyk know once you have gained the person's permission to pass on their details. Thank you for your support.

VOLUNTEERING. If you could help us in any way, please speak to Fr. Anthony Fyk.

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