# **SACRED HEART OF JESUS - NEWSLETTER**

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# **For your personal use, please take this newsletter away with you.**

**All Massses are now celebrated with the congregation, thanks to our generous stewards.**

**ALL SAINTS**

Saturday 31st October 4.30 – 5pm Confession

Mass 5pm Intention – James & Judith Heyes Wedding Anniversary

Sunday 1st November - Mass 9.30am Intention – People of the Parish

Mass 11.00am Intention – Vicky Prada RIP

Baptism 12 noon Anne Onuoha

Monday 2nd November Mass 10am **HOLY SOULS MASS**

Tuesday 3rd November 5.30 – 6pm Confession

Mass 6pm Intention - Fr Branch and Parishioners of St Peter the Apostle

6.30pm RCIA in the Parish Office

Wednesday 4th November No Mass 10am

12 noon Requiem Mass – David Varley

Thursday 5th November 9.30-10am Confession

Mass 10am Intention –

Friday 6th November 9.30-10am Confession

Mass 10am Intention – Deceased Members of the Kepa family

Saturday 7th November 4.30-5pm Confession

Mass 5pm Intention – Gerard O’Leary RIP

Sunday 8th November Mass 9.30am Intention – People of the Parish

Mass 11.00am Intention – Alice O’Brien RIP

**PARISH NEWS**

**WELCOME BACK TO MASS**

We would like to reassure you that every effort has been made to make the Church covid safe. I am delighted to see so many people returning to Mass and would like to remind everyone that the obligation to attend Mass on a Sunday has been relaxed. The weekday Masses are quieter and therefore where possible please attend during the week. Remember to book your place by emailing or telephoning the office as we are restricted by government regulations as to how many people we can have at each Mass.

**HOLY SOUL OFFERING – HOW IT WORKS!**

Please place your Holy Souls intention and offering in a marked envelope with the collection.

All names will be added together and prayed for at the Holy Souls Mass. The number of Masses offered for Holy Souls depends on the number of donations received.

**MASS INTENTIONS**

If you would like a Mass said for the repose of the soul of a loved one or the wellbeing of family or friends, please contact the Parish Office.

**RCIA**

Ever thought of becoming a Catholic? A programme started on Tuesday 6th October for those who are searching and enquiring about the Catholic Faith. Please contact the office for more information.

**CAR PARK**

Thanks to the generosity of Parishioners the Car Park is well advanced with the surface done and the wooden gates nearing completion. The next project is the iron gate at the front of the entrance to stop the new surface being damaged and providing security to the Church and car park. Your continuous financial support to complete this project would be much appreciated.

**ST SIMON STOCK CATHOLIC SECONDARY SCHOOL – MAIDSTONE**

St Simon Stock Catholic School has created a ‘Virtual Open Event’ to replace the customary open events which are usually held in the Autumn Term, together with welcome messages from the Academy Principal, Executive Principal and other useful information for you to look at. Please visit:

<https://stsimonstock.theschooltour.co.uk/> For more information, please telephone Cathy on 01622 754551

**JEFF CAVINS’ WORLDWIDE-FAMOUS CATHOLIC BIBLE STUDY.**A 7-session course on Wednesdays, starting on Wed 4th November, 2020 @7pm Delivered by Catholic speaker Mauro Iannicelli through live-streamed talks which will include stimulating interaction. Grasp the Big Picture of the Bible from start to finish, the Old and New Testament, once and for all! A 7-session course on Wednesdays, starting on Wed 4th November, 2020 @7pm Course Information & Registration at: www.comeandsee.org

# **The Solemnity of All Saints– Year A**

### Entrance Antiphon.

Let us all rejoice in the Lord, as we celebrate the feast day in honour of all the Saints,

at whose festival the Angels rejoice and praise the Son of God.

**In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.**

**C.** The Lord be with you

**All. And with your Spirit**

**All: I confess to almighty God**

**And you my brothers and sisters,**

**That I have greatly sinned,**

**In my thoughts and in my words,**

**In what I have done and in what I have failed to do,**

**through my fault, through my fault,**

**through my most grievous fault;**

**therefore, I ask blessed Mary ever-virgin,**

**all the Angels and Saints,**

**and you my brothers and sisters,**

**to pray for me to the Lord our God.**

**C:** Lord, have mercy. **All:** **Lord, have mercy.**

**C:** Christ have mercy**. All:** **Christ have mercy.**

**C:** Lord, have mercy. **All:** **Lord, have mercy.**

**All: Glory to God in the highest**

**And on earth peace to people of goodwill.**

**We praise you,**

**We bless you,**

**We adore you; we glorify you; we give you thanks for your great glory,**

**Lord God, heavenly King,**

**O God, almighty Father.**

**Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son,**

**Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the father,**

**You take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us;**

**You take away the sins of the world, receive our prayer;**

**You are seated at the right hand of the Father,**

**Have mercy on us.**

**For you alone are the Holy One,**

**You alone are the Lord,**

**You alone are the Most High**

**Jesus Christ,**

**With the Holy Spirit,**

**In the glory of the Father.**

**Amen**

**C:** Let us pray.

**First Reading Apocalypse 7:2-4,9-14**

I, John, saw another angel rising where the sun rises, carrying the seal of the living God; he called in a powerful voice to the four angels whose duty was to devastate land and sea, ‘Wait before you do any damage on land or at sea or to the trees, until we have put the seal on the foreheads of the servants of our God.’ Then I heard how many were sealed: a hundred and forty-four thousand, out of all the tribes of Israel.

After that I saw a huge number, impossible to count, of people from every nation, race, tribe and language; they were standing in front of the throne and in front of the Lamb, dressed in white robes and holding palms in their hands. They shouted aloud, ‘Victory to our God, who sits on the throne, and to the Lamb!’ And all the angels who were standing in a circle round the throne, surrounding the elders and the four animals, prostrated themselves before the throne, and touched the ground with their foreheads, worshipping God with these words, ‘Amen. Praise and glory and wisdom and thanksgiving and honour and power and strength to our God for ever and ever. Amen.’

One of the elders then spoke, and asked me, ‘Do you know who these people are, dressed in white robes, and where they have come from?’ I answered him, ‘You can tell me, my lord.’ Then he said, ‘These are the people who have been through the great persecution, and they have washed their robes white again in the blood of the Lamb.’

The word of the Lord.

**Psalm: 23(24):1-6, R. Cf.v.6**

**Response: Such are the men who seek your face, O Lord.**

The Lord’s is the earth and its fullness,

the world and all its peoples.

It is he who set it on the seas;

on the waters he made it firm. **R#**

Who shall climb the mountain of the Lord?

Who shall stand in his holy place?

The man with clean hands and pure heart,

who desires not worthless things. **R#**

He shall receive blessings from the Lord

and reward from the God who saves him.

Such are the men who seek him,

seek the face of the God of Jacob. **R#**

**Second Reading 1 John 3:1-3**

Think of the love that the Father has lavished on us,

by letting us be called God’s children;

and that is what we are.

Because the world refused to acknowledge him,

therefore it does not acknowledge us.

My dear people, we are already the children of God

but what we are to be in the future has not yet been revealed;

all we know is, that when it is revealed

we shall be like him

because we shall see him as he really is.

Surely everyone who entertains this hope

must purify himself, must try to be as pure as Christ.

The word of the Lord.

**Gospel Acclamation:**

**Alleluia, alleluia!**

Come to me, all you who labour and are overburdened,

And I will give you rest, says the Lord.

**Alleluia!**

**Priest:** The Lord be with you. **All: And with your Spirit.**

**Priest:** A reading from the Holy Gospel according to … **All: Glory to you, O Lord.**

**Gospel Matthew 5:1-12a**

Seeing the crowds, Jesus went up the hill. There he sat down and was joined by his disciples. Then he began to speak. This is what he taught them:

‘How happy are the poor in spirit;

theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

Happy the gentle:

they shall have the earth for their heritage.

Happy those who mourn:

they shall be comforted.

Happy those who hunger and thirst for what is right:

they shall be satisfied.

Happy the merciful:

they shall have mercy shown them.

Happy the pure in heart:

they shall see God.

Happy the peacemakers:

they shall be called sons of God.

Happy those who are persecuted in the cause of right:

theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

‘Happy are you when people abuse you and persecute you and speak all kinds of calumny against you on my account. Rejoice and be glad, for your reward will be great in heaven.’

**Priest:** The Gospel of the Lord. **All: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

## Apostles Creed

I believe in God, the Father almighty, Creator of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried; he descended into hell; on the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty; from there he will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and life everlasting. Amen.

## Liturgy of the Eucharist:

C: Pray, brethren….

**All: May the Lord accept the sacrifice at your hands**

**for the praise and glory of his name**

**for our good and the good of all his holy Church.**

**C**: The Lord be with you **All:** **and with your Spirit**

**C**: Lift up your hearts. **All: We lift them up to the Lord.**

**C:** Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. **All: it is right and just.**

**All: Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God of hosts**

**Heaven and earth are full of your glory**

**Hosanna in the highest.**

**Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.**

**Hosanna in the highest.**

**Lord’s Prayer: Our** **Father**…

**C:** ……. And the coming of our Saviour, Jesus Christ.

**All:** **For the kingdom the power and the glory are yours now and for ever.**

**SIGN OF PEACE OMITTED.**

**All: Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us.**

**Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us.**

**Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, grant us peace.**

**C:** Behold the Lamb of God,

behold him who takes away the sins of the world.

Blessed are those who are called to the supper of the Lamb

**All: Lord, I am not worthy**

**that you should enter under my roof,**

**but only say the word**

**and my soul shall be healed.**

**Invitation to Communion.**

***Before the Celebrant receives Communion, he will elevate the Host.***

**C: THE BODY OF CHRIST. All: AMEN**

**then elevate the Chalice.**

**C: THE BLOOD OF CHRIST. All: AMEN**

***The Celebrant will now receive Communion by himself and following that there is a period of silence as the congregation prepare to receive the Body of Christ.***

**Concluding Rites.**

**C: Let us Pray……….**

**C:** The Lord be with you

**All: And with your Spirit.**

C:May Almighty God bless you,

The Father, and the Son, and the Holy Spirit.

**All: Amen**

**Priest:** Go in peace, glorifying the Lord by your life.

**All: Thanks be to God.**