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SACRED HEART FATHERS

Fr. Jim Matthews, scj - Fr Blaise Nsangou, scj - Deacon Terry Simms

Confessions available in the Hall, rather than the confessional, where ventilation is difficult

Saturday	23rd	5.00 pm	Margaret Runcieman intentions
Sunday	24h	11.30 am	Graham Hindson intentions
Monday	25th	12 noon	Alice Wild, Cannon Kevin O'Connor Anniversaries
Tuesday	26th	12 noon	Sir David Amess Recently Deceased and family intentions.
Wednesday	27th	12 noon	Bernard Groarke Anniversary
Thursday	28th	12 noon	Bro Joseph Tormey, scj Anniversary
Friday	29th	12 noon	Mary Woodland (100) Months Mind (mum of Sue, our former Bjno caller)
Saturday	30th	12 noon	Julie O'Hara healing intentions
		5.00 pm	Doris Martin Recently Deceased VIGIL OF ALL SAINTS
Sunday	31st	11.30 am	Evelyn Simpson Recently Deceased. FEAST OF ALL SAINTS

Our sick: Marion Williams, Simon Glenn, Gerry and Nius McGettrick, Graham Hindson, Terry Kenny.

Lately Dead: Fr John Gaul, scj, Doris Martin, Eileen McCann (London), Dorothy Mary Price

Anniversaries: Alice Wild, Cannon Kevin O'Connor, Bro Joseph Tormey, scj, Joe Fleming

Fr John Gaul, scj RIP 06/01/1934 – 18/10/2021. Professed 19/03/1953. Ordained 08/12/1958.

Fr John is survived by his twin sister Grace Carter (Southampton, his younger sister Anne Fullen (Pateley Bridge) and sister Jane (Scotland). Our prayers go out to them and their families.

He was our English teacher at Woodcote Hall, our junior seminary, in the 1960s. He then became more involved in vocation work for the Province. He worked on our "Stream" and "Tom" magazines. In 1972 he continued this work at St Joseph's, Malpas, while doing supply work in parishes. In December of that year his father was ordained priest for the Shrewsbury Diocese. In 1975, he went to our house of formation in Barton under Needwood where he also worked on our 'Contact' magazine, which he continued to do when he moved to our parish in Northampton in 1976. In September 1980 he was appointed Parish Priest at Ampthill, later moving to the new church in Flitwick. In the late '90s he served in the parishes of Northampton, Market Rasen and Newport Pagnell. His last appointment as Parish Priest was to St Joseph's, Malpas, where he stayed on to look after the parish after the retreat centre closed in 2006. He retired to St John's, Stockport in February 2013.

Eternal rest grant unto him, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon him. May he rest in peace. Amen.

Doris Martin RIP Our sincere condolences to the family of Doris Martin who has died, aged 88. We pray for her children Ian, Peter and his wife Fiona. She had a stroke during Lockdown. Sometime before that she was still acting as an Extraordinary Minister Of the Eucharist, up until she felt more comfortable moving around using a walking stick. Her Requiem Mass will be on Thursday 4th November at 12 noon, prior to interment at Cypress chapel at 1.30. May she rest in peace.

NOVEMBER DEAD LISTS, enclosed in an envelope, are available in church. Kindly place your completed list and offering in the envelope and place it in the collection basket or post it through the Presbytery letter box. The 5.00 pm / 11.30 am / 12 noon mass throughout November will be offered for the deceased persons specified on the lists. Anniversaries / Recently Deceased will be added.

We pray that our school community will be able to relax in their safe environments in the half term holiday.

Jeremiah 31:7-9*I will guide them by a smooth path where they will not stumble*

The Lord says this: Shout with joy for Jacob! Hail the chief of nations! Proclaim! Praise! Shout: 'The Lord has saved his people, the remnant of Israel!' See, I will bring them back from the land of the North and gather them from the far ends of earth; all of them: the blind and the lame, women with child, women in labour: a great company returning here. They had left in tears, I will comfort them as I lead them back; I will guide them to streams of water, by a smooth path where they will not stumble. For I am a father to Israel, and Ephraim is my first-born son.

Psalm 125**R.** *What marvels the Lord worked for us! Indeed we were glad.*

When the Lord delivered Zion from bondage, it seemed like a dream.

Then was our mouth filled with laughter, on our lips there were songs. **R.**

The heathens themselves said: 'What marvels the Lord worked for them!'

What marvels the Lord worked for us! Indeed we were glad. **R**

Deliver us, O Lord, from our bondage as streams in dry land.

Those who are sowing in tears will sing when they reap. **R**

They go out, they go out, full of tears, carrying seed for the sowing:

they come back, they come back, full of song, carrying their sheaves. **R****Hebrews 5:1-6***'You are a priest of the order of Melchizedek, and for ever'*

Every high priest has been taken out of mankind and is appointed to act for men in their relations with God, to offer gifts and sacrifices for sins; and so he can sympathise with those who are ignorant or uncertain because he too lives in the limitations of weakness. That is why he has to make sin offerings for himself as well as for the people. No one takes this honour on himself, but each one is called by God, as Aaron was. Nor did Christ give himself the glory of becoming high priest, but he had it from the one who said to him: *You are my son, today I have become your father, and in another text: You are a priest of the order of Melchizedek, and for ever.*

Alleluia, alleluia! I am the light of the world, says the Lord; anyone who follows me will have the light of life. Alleluia! **Jn8:12**

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

As Jesus left Jericho with his disciples and a large crowd, Bartimaeus (that is, the son of Timaeus), a blind beggar, was sitting at the side of the road. When he heard that it was Jesus of Nazareth, he began to shout and to say, 'Son of David, Jesus, have pity on me.' And many of them scolded him and told him to keep quiet, but he only shouted all the louder, 'Son of David, have pity on me.' Jesus stopped and said, 'Call him here.' So they called the blind man. 'Courage,' they said 'get up; he is calling you.' So throwing off his cloak, he jumped up and went to Jesus. Then Jesus spoke, 'What do you want me to do for you?' 'Rabbuni,' the blind man said to him 'Master, let me see again.' Jesus said to him, 'Go; your faith has saved you.' And immediately his sight returned and he followed him along the road.

Prayer for the Conference Of the Parties 26 climate summit

Loving God, we praise your name with all you have created. You are present in the whole universe, and in the smallest of creatures. We acknowledge the responsibilities you have placed upon us as stewards of your creation. May the Holy Spirit inspire all political leaders at COP26 as they seek to embrace the changes needed to foster a more sustainable society. Instil in them the courage and gentleness to implement fairer solutions for the poorest and most vulnerable, and commit their nations to the care of Our Common Home. We ask this through Our Lord Jesus Christ your Son. Amen

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