PARISH CLERGY:

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DATE Sunday 17th September 2023

SUNDAY Twenty-Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time Year A

DIVINE OFFICE Week 4

Live-stream: All of our services are now Live-streamed.

Saturday 16 th Sept 1 st Mass of Sunday	6:00pm	Thomas Mitchell RIP (CM)
Sunday 17 th September Twenty-Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time	9:30am	People of the Parish
Monday 18 th Sept Feria	9:15am	Winnie Doherty RIP (AR)
<u>Tuesday 19th Sept</u> St. Januarius _{Bishop, Martyr} ^{Memorial}	9:15am	Emma Jones _{RIP} (ES)
Wednesday 20 th Sept St. Andrew Kim Tae-gon _{Priest} , Paul Chong Ha-sang, and Companions _{Martyrs} ^{Memorial}		No Services Today
Thursday 21 st Sept St. Matthew Apostle Feast	7:00pm	Sam Cassar _{RIP} ^(YD)
Friday 22 nd Sept Feria	9:15am	Private Intention
Saturday 23rd SeptSt. Pio of Pietrelcina Memorial(1st Mass of Sunday)	10-11am	Paddy Breen _{RIP} ^(KB) <i>Exposition, Confessions & Benediction</i> People of the Parish
Sunday 24 th September Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time	9:30am	John O'Neill _{RIP} ^(BB)



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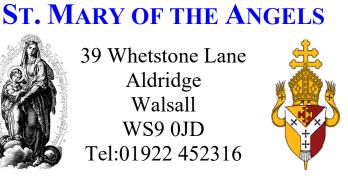
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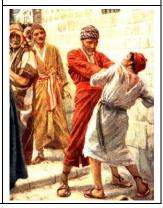
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Pope Francis:

Let us pray together in the face of the many challenges and difficulties of our age. We should not remain idle spectators. Rather, may we actively engage for a more just and peaceful world.

This Week's Prayer

Forgive our neighbours who hurt or harm us by their words or by their actions. Teach us to forgive them from our hearts, then, we know that you our God will show us your compassion and pardon our sins.

A date for your diary - our CaFOD Meal will be on Saturday 14th October after Mass. We will be taking bookings soon. Help on the night would be much appreciated – call Ann 01922 451124.

Wednesday Friends

Our next meeting takes place in the Parish Meeting Room at **10am** on Wednesday **20th September**. Come along for a friendly chat accompanied by a nice cup of tea/coffee and some hot buttered toast.

Parish SVP Coffee Morning



This weekend, **16th/17th September**, our Parish SVP Group will be hosting a Coffee Morning following the Sunday morning Mass. Please come along to support this fundraising event.

Craft & Natter

We meet every **Tuesday** from **11am** to **3pm** in the Meeting Room. All are welcome, members old & new. Come for an hour, a morning, an afternoon or the whole session; just remember to bring your lunch. 50p will cover refreshments and supplies. For more information call Christine W on 07900604902 for more information.

Pope's Prayer Intention

The Pope's prayer intention for **September** is:- For people living on the margins. We pray for those persons living on the margins of society, in inhumane life conditions; may they not be overlooked by institutions and never considered of lesser importance.

Second Collection

This weekend, 16th/17th September, there will be a retiring collection for: Catholic Evangelisation (formally Home Mission Sunday). This collection supports the work of the Bishops' Conference.

Next weekend, 23rd/24th September, there will be a retiring collection to support the work of: Father Hudson's Society.

Sick in the Parish

Pray for the sick in the parish, remembering especially:

Ian Phipps, Sister Ann-Marie, Carol Facer, Oscar Wordsworth, Nichola Woodhall. Carmel Paul Corbett. Fekete, Lynn Stanley, John Green, Roy Allsopp, Janet Chambers, Jo Hawker, Alison Welton, Louise Morgan, Stephen Brook, Margaret Davis, Mary Brough, Bannister, Joe **Morris** Margaret Moseley, Healy, Juliet Woodhall, Luke Smith, Catherine Shepherd, Jim Smith, David Goodwin, Antonio Bigongiari, Olivia (Dotty) Cutler, Ann & Keith Allford, Anna Morgan ^{née} Meehan, Holly Brady, Mike Mander, Jo Cooke, Anne Humphreys, Paul Mott, Theresa Chandler, Fr. Paul Chamberlain, Cath Breen, Max Lewis, David & Sheila Piggott, Clare Cooksey & Áine McDonagh.

Please remember also in your prayers those who carry the burden of their illnesses privately and those who care for them.

Safeguarding Notice

The Parish operates in accordance with Statutory Safeguarding Guidance and the National and Archdiocese policies & procedures at all times. Our Parish Safeguarding Representative is Mr. Gerry Wintrip. Gerry can be contacted at: sg.smota.aldridge@rcaob.org.uk or the Diocesan Safeguarding team can be contacted at <u>safeguarding@rcaob.org.uk</u> or on 0121 230 6240 if you have any concerns.

The Family of Joan Hart Wish to Thank-

Fr. Craig for celebrating Joan's Requiem. Also a big thank you to the choir, servers and readers for their part in the Mass. Finally, a sincere thank-you to everyone for their kind words, cards, Masses and sympathy shown at this very sad time.

We will have a Mass said for you all.

Angel Drive

Our Angel Drive is this Friday, 22nd September, at 7pm in the Parish Meeting Room. The sign up sheet is now in the porch, and the cost is £10 per person. Please sign up and give your meal choice. Remember to bring your own drinks!

Parish Meeting

Our next Parish Meeting takes place in the Meeting Room this Thursday, 21st September, after the evening Mass. All Parishioners are invited to attend this meeting. We look forward to seeing you there!

Sacramental Preparation

As we approach the beginning of another academic year we must begin planning for the Sacramental preparation of children beginning Y3 & Y6, who do not attend Catholic Schools, and adults who would like to be received into full communion with the Church at Easter 2024. If you are interested in becoming a Catholic, or if you have a child in need of Sacramental preparation, please speak to Fr. Craig.



Children's Liturgy takes place every Sunday at the 9:30am Mass. At the start of the Mass the children will be invited to go out to the Meeting Room for their Liturgy. All children are welcome to come along.

Church Cleaners Needed!

As several of our cleaning volunteers have resigned due to ill health, we desperately require 'new blood'. On a four-week cycle, the work is not onerous. If you can spare an hour or two once a month it would be much appreciated. Please contact **Catherine** C or Fr Craig.

Missio (Red Boxes)

Could collectors please arrange to empty the Red Boxes in their charge. If anyone has a Red Box that needs emptying, please contact Sue W on 01922 457247. Thank you.

Recently Deceased

Of your charity please pray for the repose of the souls of **Rose O'Leary** (aged 4yrs), **Robert Bowen**, **Joseph Hickson**, and **Annie McManus**. On whose souls Sweet Jesus have mercy, may they rest in peace.

Congratulations



We offer our prayers and our congratulations to **Jesse James R** who was Baptised here last weekend. We pray also for his parents and Godparents as they take on the responsibility of raising him in the practice of the faith.

Sacrament of the Sick

Please remember to inform Fr. Craig **directly** in case of sickness, especially if it requires hospital treatment or a prolonged absence from Mass. If you cannot inform the clergy yourself it is then your family who should take on this responsibility.

Collections:Last Week's Offertory:£221.49Weekly Standing Orders:£870.00

Baptism Enquiries

If you would like to have your child Baptised here at St. Mary of the Angels, please visit the 'Baptismal Enquiry' page of the parish website using the following link: https://www.catholicaldridge.co.uk/baptis mal-enquiries.html Here you can complete a 'Baptism Enquiry Form'. The available Baptism next dates for Preparation are:

7pm Tuesday 21st November

PARISH DUTIES THIS WEEKEND: 16 th /17 th September 2023			
6:00pm Vigil Mass	READERS:	Cathy S & John H	
9:30am Sung Mass	MUSIC:	Choir	
	READERS:	Helen C & Mark H	
Duties During the Week: 18 TH – 23 RD September 2023			
CLEANERS:	Team D		
FLOWERS:	Anne H		
PARISH DUTIES NEXT WEEKEND: 23 rd /24 th September 2023			
6:00pm Vigil Mass	WELCOMERS:	Ann & John T	
	WARDENS:	Peter H	
	READERS:	Hugh D & Brian L	
<u>9:30am Sung Mass</u>	MUSIC:	Folk Group	
	WELCOMERS:	Jonathan & Jenson G	
	WARDENS:	John O'N & Bruce B	
	READERS:	Catherine A & Christine L	
COFFEE:	Elena S, Joan L & Angela S		

And finally:- Last weekend the readings at Mass reminded us of the duty of care that we all have toward each other. As members of the Body of Christ, the Church, we must strengthen, support and sustain each other in our faith, but we must also be ready and willing to correct the faults of others out of love. Today the readings take us one step further in our imitation of Christ. Like Him, we are called to be people of mercy, people who are willing to forgive our neighbour their faults, even when we ourselves have been injured by their actions. Each day in the Lord's Prayer we ask that the Lord "forgive us our trespasses", note however, what this forgiveness is contingent upon, "as we forgive those who trespass against us". The author of the Book of Ecclesiasticus reminds us that forgiveness is far removed from the one who is unwilling to forgive. In fact he says that unless we are willing to have pity on others, as the Lord has had pity on us, we are unworthy to seek forgiveness for our own transgressions.

May God bless you all, Fr. Craig