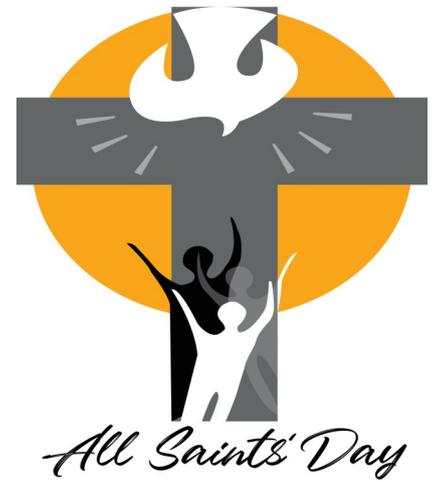


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Year A : All Saints Day
1st November 2020

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Both churches are monitored by CCTV cameras 24 hours a day. Live streaming of all services takes place at St Teresa's and can be viewed at www.churchservices.tv/borehamwood or through the link on our website

FIRE SAFETY NOTICE: If anyone has difficulty in hearing, walking or anything else that may slow down safe exit in the event of a fire, please let us know before the service starts, so that we can arrange for assistance for you.

All masses and services are shown live via our website on the "Live Streaming" page. They are also recorded and kept for a month so if you miss a live service, you can still watch it later.

All masses at St Teresa's for the time being

YOU MUST PRE-BOOK A SPACE FOR WEEKEND MASSES - WE HAVE TO MONITOR NUMBERS - CALL THE PARISH OFFICE IF YOU NEED HELP BOOKING

Saturday 31st October	Vigil: All Saints	6pm	Alvarino Mateus Afonso RIP (Ann)
Sunday 1st November	All Saints	8.30am	Mary Linnane RIP (1st Ann)
		10am	Troy, McCarthy, Woods & Corry Families RIP
		Noon	Saturnino Marcos RIP
Monday 2nd November	All Souls	9.15am	Holy Souls
Tuesday 3rd November	Feria	9.15am	Tucker McKinney RIP
Wednes. 4th November	No Mass		
Thursday 5th November	Feria	9.15am	Lenna Traynor RIP (Ann)
Friday 6th November	Feria	9.15am	Holy Souls
Saturday 7th November	Vigil: 32nd Sunday	6pm	Gordon Peterson RIP

Confessions are held at St Teresa's Saturdays, 5pm-5.40pm in the Lady Chapel.

Liturgy of the Word: 1st November 2020

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.*

Responsorial Psalm: *Such are the men who seek your face, O 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!*

Next week's readings: *Wisdom 6;12-16, Psalm 62:2-8, resp v2, 1 Thessalonians 4:13-18, Matthew 25:1-13*

Fr Dominic writes: *To be a Saint, you first must be yourself.*

When the legendary Bill Shankley retired as manager of Liverpool Football Club, Bob Paisley was appointed to succeed him. Realising that it was a hard act to follow, the soft-spoken, retiring Paisley at first refused the job. Finally after much persuasion, he agreed to accept it.

It truly was an onerous job to take over from someone who was as successful as Bill Shankly. Liverpool not only prided themselves on success on the football field, but on possessing a special approach off it. The manager, the players, the ladies who made the tea - all felt part of a great family. That was how the club was run.

Right from the outset there was enormous pressure on Paisley to be another Bill Shankly. But he resisted the temptation. Instead, he brought his own style to the job. He managed to continue the traditions of the club, while remaining the unique individual he was. And he went on to become even more successful than Shankly. When he retired he was asked what the key to his success was. He replied, "There is no way you can imitate someone else and be great. You've got to be yourself." Wise words.

Many religious people are not saints because they never succeed in being themselves. To be a saint one doesn't have to be ascetic, or even serious and solemn. But one has to be oneself. Saints help us to do this, even the little ones. They cause the vision of a higher and purer life to rise up before us. They inspire us to try to win back our finer, kinder, and healthier selves. They are like a mirror so that we see what we could be. Whatever our path in life, what really matters is that we should be ourselves, our unique selves, but the best that we can be - the kind of people that God intended us to be.



Protecting your privacy: Any personal details that you provide to this parish, (name, address, email, telephone number etc.) will be held on file & stored on the parish computer securely. If applicable, your details will also be entered into the appropriate Sacramental Register. For Volunteers groups, Readers, Eucharistic Ministers etc., your details will be shared with other group members in this parish to enable you to arrange cover etc. If you do not wish your details to be shared, please let the Parish Office know **You can read our full privacy policy on rcdow.org.uk/diocese/privacy-policy**



Why not change the way you give your offertory?

In these strange times, we have a number of uncollected envelopes in the sacristy gathering dust and who knows when we will be able to have a full church again. Instead of giving by way of envelopes, have you thought about using a standing order instead? This is a much simpler way, it means you won't need that Sunday scrabble for cash, and once set up you can forget about it! All you need to do is fill in a form, return it to us & let us do the rest. Having less cash in the church is much safer for us all and as would seem to be the case, more hygienic. Contact us if you would like to make the change!!

Don't forget that we've got the contactless machine at St Teresa's. Situated at the back of the church on the Presbytery side. We have been picked to be a part of the Diocesan contactless payment trial. So please use the machine if you can.

We have also signed up **with Virgin Money Giving**, which can be accessed via their site or by clicking on the button on our website.



Look at the "About us" page on the website & you will see "Donate" - its all there and please call us if you need help!

The Financials....

Monthly Standing Orders: £3,106 (£2,973 mthly last year)

Last weekend Offertory -

Envelopes £335.00

Loose Plate £183.84

Contactless donations £ 145

Virgin Money Donations via website £ 200

Total weekly income for last week £863.84

This time last year our offertory was £ 755.86 envelopes & £735.01 plate, £1,490.87 in total.



Please make sure that you book your spaces for week-end masses, before you attend. We have to keep to the maximum of 80 in the church & we can only do this if you pre-book. **Even if you use the QR code for the Government's track & trace, you still need to pre book your spaces** . The pre book is to make sure that we do not exceed the maximum numbers in church & we keep you all safe. If you don't have access to the internet, please book through the parish office.

Forthcoming Funerals: these are held in accordance with the government's COVID 19 guidelines and are not open to the general public

Anthony Page 6th November West Herts 11.20am

Malcolm Creaton 9th November St T 11am

May they rest in peace & rise in glory.



Our baptism are individual baptisms taking place on a Saturday afternoon at noon, 1pm, 2pm, 3pm or 4pm timeslots. **You can now have only 6 attendees which includes the parents & child being baptised.** You will need to meet with either Fr Dominic beforehand & you must fill in an online baptism registration form, We will not be having a Rite of Welcomes whilst we are restricted with numbers inside church.



Face masks must now be worn at all times in places of worship. Care should be taken by people in removing their face covering for the reception of Holy Communion and replacing the covering afterwards. This is to prevent contamination of the covering by the hands. However, the risk is regarded as minimal providing there is no hand-to-hand contact between the minister of Communion and the communicant. If you are exempt from wearing a facemask then of course this doesn't apply to you. **Please don't judge anyone who doesn't wear a facemask as their legitimate reason may not be obvious.**



2021 FHC & Confirmations : **The deadlines have now been reached for these & you should have received an email confirming registration.** We do not expect these programmes to start until 2021 but given the amount of planning & logistics involved we are no longer able to accept applications for these programmes.



Given the current climate we have decided not to partake in the (Samaritan's Purse) shoebox collection this year. Instead we want to concentrate our efforts on **presents for prisoners children.** This may prove not as easy logistically as usual, but we'll try. As a start, if you are happy to commit to purchasing a present this year, please can you let Sue know. In the Parish Office. You can simply donate the cash (£20) and will we buy a present on your behalf or you can buy the present yourself. **Please let us know as numbers are very low at the moment.**



November is Holy Souls Month, the time when you provide us with a list of deceased family & friends which is placed near the altar during the celebration of Holy Mass during November with Masses being offered for all deceased relatives and friends on the list . We have placed the list online for you to complete & submit if you can drop your list into the Parish Office. A donation is usually offered for this, again this can be done online or via the parish office. If donating online - we are not allowed to claim gift aid on mass offerings so please don't hit the gift aid button in this case!



School Reception Admissions for 2021/22 open 2/11/20 until 15/1/21 - signing of the Certificates of Catholic Practice (CCP).

Fr Dominic will be signing the certificates but you will not need to see him in person, please follow the following procedures: **Download** and print the Certificate of Catholic Practice from the website (look on Home page or News) Fill in the required information and then send the completed certificate to the Parish Office, with a copy of your child's baptismal certificate. Fr Dominic may not sign the certificate if the baptismal certificate is missing. If you have lost your child's baptismal certificate and your child was baptised at St Teresa's, we will have a record of it and we can issue a replacement baptismal certificate. If your child was baptised somewhere else, you will need to acquire a copy from that parish. Once you have submitted the certificate and supporting documentation, please allow three days to turn it around then you can pick up from the Parish Office. **Fr Dominic may ask you to call in to see him if he doesn't recall your family from Mass attendance.**