BLESSED WILLIAM HOWARD October 11: Memorial in Staffordshire

Born 1612. William was the second son of the Earl of Arundel. He married Mary. daughter of Lord Stafford in 1637 & they had nine children. In 1678 he was falsely accused of being part of the 'Popish Plot'; a fictitious conspiracy theory that led to widespread Catholic persecution. At the age of 65 he was unjustly charged with treason. When the verdict of guilty was brought, Blessed William said: "I confess I am surprised at it... but God's will be done & your Lordships'; I will not murmur at it. God forgive those who have falsely sworn against me." He was beheaded on Tower Hill on 29 December 1680, Pope Pius XI beatified him as a martyr in 1929.

PARISH GROUPS

Rosary Group: Mondays at 8pm Women's Christian Union: Thursdays at 9.15am

SVP: meets alternate Wednesdays at 2.30pm.

CAFOD group: meets monthly Music Group: contact Julie Train

Bereavement Group: contact Maureen Barnes

Guild of St Stephen (altar servers): last Sat of the month at 9am

Play Group & Nursery: contact Ann King on 671356 Youth Club: 1st Friday of the month at 7.30pm

Diners' Club: meets monthly

Men's Breakfast: 1st Saturday of the month 8.30am

PARISH INFORMATION

Parish Office: Maureen Barnes & Cath Nugent, office hours: Weds & Fri 10am-3pm

Gift Aid Organiser: Angela Thompson

Child Protection: Breda Helm

Parish Magazine: Margaret Taylor / Tony Hayward Sacrament of Reconciliation: Sat 4pm or by appointment

Sacrament of Baptism: after Mass on Sundays

Sacrament Marriage: By Appointment

Adoration: Thursdays 8-8.30pm & as announced

SUNDAY MASS TIMES IN NEIGHBOURING PARISHES

Brownhills St Bernadette: Sat 6.30pm, Sun 10am

Cannock SS Mary & Thomas More: Sat 5.30pm, Sun 8am, 10.30am

Hednesford Our Lady of Lourdes: Sun 9.30am, 5.30pm

Lichfield Holy Cross: Sun 8.30am, SS Peter & Paul Sat 6pm, Sun 11am

Rugeley SS Joseph & Etheldreda: Sat 7pm, Sun 11am, 6.30pm



ST JOSEPH'S PARISH NEWS

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TWENTY SEVENTH WEEK OF THE YEAR Week beginning Sunday 3 October 2010

Sundays Year C: Weekdays Year 2: Psalter Week 3

Sunday 10 October Twenty Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Pat Greene 5pm (Sat) Mass

Mass People of the Parish 10am

Monday 11 October Blessed William Howard

2.30pm Requiem Mass Charlotte Hughes

Tuesday 12 October St Wilfrid

9.15am Mass (in school) Pat Greene

St Edward the Confessor Wednesday 13 October

Mass Tom, Frank & Margaret Hurmson 12pm

Thursday 14 October St Callistus

The Word, Holy Communion & Adoration 7.30pm

Friday 15 October St Teresa of Avila

Noel Sweeney 9.15pm Mass

Saturday 16 October St Hedwig / St Margaret Mary Alocoque 4pm

Confessions

6pm

Sunday 17 October Twenty Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time

5pm (Sat) Chris & Mike Egan Mass People of the Parish Mass

10am Stanley Price 11.30am **Baptism**

(at St Joseph's) United Service

THE WORD THIS WEEK

There are many messages in today's Gospel: the power of God to heal, the compassion of Jesus for those in need, the fact that a despised foreigner (the Samaritan) is the only one who recognises what has been done, the role of faith and the importance

of thanking God for gifts received. But because this Gospel is twinned with part of the story of Naaman the leper, the idea that the Church brings out most clearly is that of thanksgiving, or acknowledging what has been given to us. From an early age we are taught to say "Thank You" - to recognise that someone has gone out of their way to give us something or do something for us. Our thanks strengthens the relationship that binds us together, and it is the same with God. As we recognise the good things that come from God, so our faith is deepened and the bond of the Covenant in Christ Jesus is strengthened.



PLEASE PRAY FOR

thony Stokes, Charlotte Hughes, Margaret Rowe, Teresa Cormican, Pat Greene, Harvey Joseph Lowe, Margaret Thomas, Maura Connolly, Jennifer Catherine Summerfield, Anastasia Cullotty, Len Holloway, Sydney Breeze

time: Pamela O'Brien, Amy White, John McLean, Diane Meddings, Paul Robert Mof-Douglas Guise, James Malynn, Mabel Craddock, Desmond Paul McNamara

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

Those who have died recently: John An- The sick & housebound: Sheila Appleton (nee Levell). Chris Austin, Teresa Averill, Betty Bardell, Christopher Brown, Nikki Carr, Pauline & Ken Chaplain, Joan Coley, Anne Corfield, Auriel Dalley, Fr Brendan Donlan, Janet Evans, Stuart Frost, Olga Grant, Jill Gutteridge, Tracy Holland, Mary Hughes, Dorothy Hurley, Josie Kimberly, Lorraine Macbeth, Lily McGrath, Michael McGowan, Those whose anniversaries occur at this Tracy McGregor, Amy McKeon, Anita fat, Daniel Moody, Ricardo Morcillo, Vincent Morgan, Betty Myatt, Elsie Norman, Maureen Parker, Bob Preston, Patrick Ryan, Bernadette Samongie, Tony Scott, Derrick Stone, Linda, Andy & Bethany Sutton, Margaret Trickett, Matthew Waterfield, Thelma Waters, Roger Whitehouse, Winnie Williams, Jean Winsper, Maureen Withy

PRAYER TO ST JOSEPH

O Blessed St Joseph.

Patron of the Universal Church, extend to all God's children the care you showed to the Holy Family in Nazareth and pray for us as we gather to celebrate the Eucharist.

Guide & protect all the people of our parish and make the light of Christ shine among us so that His Kingdom may be established in our midst. Amen.

GENERAL NOTICES

FINANCE

last Sunday: £361.51

(gift aid: £139.55 loose £221.96)

Second collections

last Sunday: CAFOD Harvest Fast £693.91

this Sunday: Church Maintenance next Sunday: Church Maintenance

THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY

CATHOLIC OUESTION TIME

Last week's answer: The name of the more details. poem written by Blessed John Henry Newman which contains the hymn Praise CARDINAL GRIFFIN(2): Three course of Gerontius. Luke write?

YOUTH GROUP: (Year 6 upwards) Next meeting on Fri 15 Oct, 7.30pm

ORGAN: You may have noticed that the & the Four Senses of Scripture' - Fridays organ has moved downstairs. This is so at 7.15pm on Oct 15, 29 & Nov 12. For that in the future, music can be led from more details ring Julie 672923 or Nichola the front & any choir or music group can 480428. be an integral part of the congregation. This is in line with what the Church rec- DINERS' CLUB: Tues 19 Oct at The ommends for music in the Liturgy.

MUSIC AT PRIMARY SCHOOL: Do you or do you know anyone who has musical talents or an interest in music? We are looking for volunteers to either perform for the pupils or share their knowledge & experience in school. Please contact Mrs Ralphs or Miss Deaville at school.

DANCE: Cafod are holding a Charity Dance on Oct 9th in the Primary School hall starting at 7.30pm. A lively evening for all the family! All kinds of dancing including anything on request! Tickets £3.50, children free. On sale after Mass.

CARDINAL GRIFFIN (1): Music dept. invite you to a Night at the Races. 16 Oct 7pm. £7.50 per ticket includes fish & chips & licenced bar. See notice board for

to the Holiest in the Height is The Dream meal and complimentary drink on 19th This week's question: November at Cardinal Griffin in aid of the Which 2 New Testament books did St Spanish music trip. Live music from swing band and bar and raffle, tickets available soon.

> SPIRIT OF TRUTH COMMUNITY: Talks by Mgr Paul Watson: 'The Parables

> Boat (& for 7.30pm). Please sign the list, all welcome.