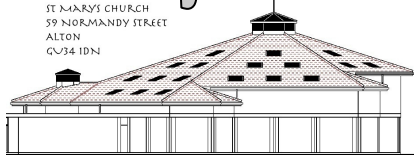


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MASS INTENTIONS

w/c Sunday 10th October, 2021

TWENTY-EIGHTH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR

ORDINARY TIME

Year (B 1) (Psalter Week 4)

Saturday	5.30pm	<i>St. John Henry Newman</i> Roy Light, RIP
Sunday		<i>28th Sunday of the Year</i>
St. Lucy's	9.00am	Special Intention & World Peace
St. Mary's	11.00am	George Kutty Kurian, RIP

*Nathaniel Kieran Gregory St. John
will be Baptised during Mass today*

Monday		<i>Feria</i>
Anstey Convent		<i>Community only</i> Dec'd members of the Rogers Family
Tuesday		<i>Feria</i>
Private Mass		The People of The Parish
Wednesday	9.30am	<i>Feria</i> Welfare of Sr. Joan and the Srs. Of St. Lucy
Thursday		<i>Feria</i>
St. Lucy's		<i>Community only</i> Sr. Felicia Pacello, RIP
Relatives, Benefactors & Friends of the Srs. of St. Lucy		
Friday	9.30am	<i>St. Teresa of Avila</i> Rosy Paul, RIP
Saturday		<i>Our Lady on Saturday</i>
	4.50pm	<i>Confessions</i>
	5.30pm	Theresa O'Driscoll, RIP
Sunday		<i>29th Sunday of the year</i>
St. Lucy's	9.00am	Welfare of Sr. Joan, Marie, Sue & Sam
St. Mary's	11.00am	Special Intention

No Booking Required to attend Mass

The next Exposition will be Saturday, 30th October at 10am
*Confessions: Please email or call the Parish office for an
appointment*

SUNDAY MASS—LIVE STREAM

You can now join with the Sunday Mass at as below.

[https://www.youtube.com/channel/
UCQm0AflgS6wBFM4F331oXWA](https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCQm0AflgS6wBFM4F331oXWA)

By following this link you will be able to see
up-coming streams, past streams and uploaded videos. This
can also be done directly through the St. Mary's website.

28th SUNDAY OF THE YEAR

10th October, 2021

Entrance Antiphon

If you, O Lord, should mark iniquities, Lord, who could stand ? But with you is found forgiveness, O God of Israel

First Reading: Wisdom 7:7-11

Compared with wisdom, I held riches as nothing.

Responsorial Psalm

Fill us with your love that we may rejoice.

Second Reading: Hebrews 4:12-13

The word of God can judge secret emotions and thoughts..

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia !

Blessed are you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, for revealing the mysteries of the kingdom to mere children.

Alleluia !

Gospel: Mark 10:17-30

Go and sell everything you own and follow me.

Communion Antiphon:

The rich suffer want and go hungry, but those who seek the Lord lack no blessing.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION PROGRAMME 2021-2022

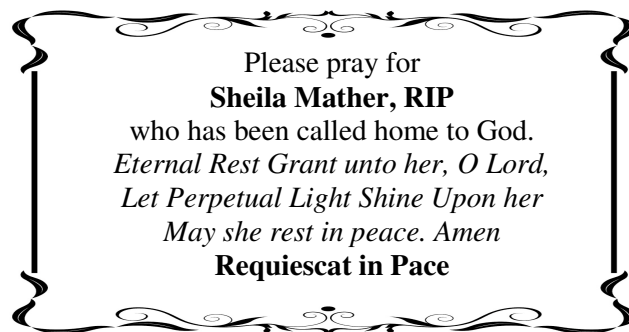
Next Class : **Sunday 17th October at 9.45am**

*The next Special Collection will be on 16th &
17th October and is for
Foreign Missions.(Missio)*

Please use the brown collection envelopes and remember to use your gift aid number or name if applicable. Alternatively you can make your donation direct to Missio at <https://missio.org.uk/donate/> For further information please visit <https://mission.org.uk/>

Cheques made out to the Parish

The correct name is
P.R.C.D.T.R Alton St. Mary



**O GOD OF COMPASSION,
HEAR OUR PRAYER**

Please remember in your prayers

Eileen Bowler, Maureen Cole, Mary McGrath,
Dorothy Harte, Jonathan Wiltshire, Jeanne Abraham,
Elizabeth Norris, Elise Hobbs, Denise Graham,
Mary Sturgess, Tom Barbour, Adi Morando,
Brenda Gregory, Alex Smith, Kate Cradock, Rita Rawling,
Lily Jones, Francesca Adams, Margaret Collins,
Carol Conway, Annie Tomlinson Theresa Davies,
Michael & Jo Rogers Flavia Stampa Gruss



**Wednesday of the 28th Week of Ordinary Time,
13th October—Feria**

Entrance Antiphon

If you, O Lord, should mark iniquities, Lord, who could stand? But with you is found forgiveness, O God of Israel.

First Reading *Romans 2:1-11*

God will repay each one as his works deserve—Jews first, but Greeks as well

Responsorial Psalm

Lord, you repay each man according to his deeds

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!

Instruct me, Lord, in your way; on an even path lead me,.

Alleluia!

Gospel *Luke 11:42-46*

Alas for you Pharisees! And alas for you lawyers also!

Communion Antiphon

The rich suffer want and go hungry, but those who seek the Lord lack no blessing.

**Friday of the 2th Week of Ordinary Time,
15th October—St. Teresa of Avila**

Entrance Antiphon

Like the deer that yearns for running streams, so my soul is yearning for you, my God; my soul is thirsting for God, the living God.

First Reading *Romans 4:1-8*

Abraham put his faith in God, and this faith was considered as justifying him

Responsorial Psalm

You are my refuge, O Lord; you fill me with the joy of salvation.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!

Your words gladden the heart, O Lord, they give light to the eyes.

Alleluia!

Gospel *Luke 12 1—7*

Every hair on your head has been counted.

Communion Antiphon

I will sing for ever of your mercies, O Lord; through all ages my mouth will proclaim your fidelity.

CaFE—The Big Picture

The next CaFE course is due to start on

Wednesday, 13th October. 7pm for 7.30pm

There is a list at the back of the Church—please add your name if you would like to join us in the Parish Hall

**PARISH MEETING
LAUDATO SI**

Please join us in the hall on 14th November, following the 11am Mass

We would like to let you know how the group is progressing and ask for your views and suggestions.

Wildflower Border

With Laudato Si in mind and the Bishop encouraging us to support the cause, we plan to sow a wildflower border on the grassed area at the front of the car park. To this end, we would be most grateful for any donations of wildflower seeds or plants from your garden.

JUMBLE SALE

Saturday, 23rd October

(unless Covid regulations change)

In the Parish Hall and the courtyard

We are going to need **'an army'** of helpers to sort and display the jumble on **Friday 22nd** and if you would like to help please sign the list at the back of the Church.

We will start collecting jumble from Saturday, 26th September and this can be left in the small hall behind the screen.

WOULD YOU LIKE TO JOIN US

A Journey through words (Book Club)

The next meeting will be on Friday, 22nd October 10am in the Parish Hall

Knit, Natter & Craft

Would you be interested? Would you like to learn something new or could you perhaps share your skill with others? Knitting, embroidery, crochet, flower arrangingthe list is endless.

Or you could just come along and have a cuppa and a chat. (The bakers among you might like to bring something to have with tea/coffee

Please enter your details on the list at the back of the Church if you are interested.

2—4 on a Monday afternoon starting 1st November

YEAR OF THE EUCHARIST

Announcing the Closer to Christ Campaign

After much prayer and consultation with clergy and laity, the Diocese has decided to embark on a two-year fundraising initiative entitled the ***Closer to Christ*** Campaign. The aim is to raise £13.5 million in pledges over a three to five year period and help us to realise our vision of *Bringing People closer to Jesus Christ through His Church.*

The ***Closer to Christ*** Campaign will fund the training of our seminarians, provide support to our priests in active ministry and rejuvenate our parishes, ensuring they have the necessary resources to provide a place for prayer, worship and community interaction, meeting a broad range of faith needs and giving them a platform to thrive. It will also allow us to continue to care for our priests in their retirement, recognising the important work they have achieved in delivering our mission and the contribution they continue to make in so many ways following a life of service and dedication to local parish life.

The ***Closer to Christ*** Campaign began in late spring with the launch of a Pilot Phase which included four parishes: Reading (English Martyrs), the Cathedral, Winchester and Windsor. The Pilot Phase has achieved a number of milestones, sharing the vision with thousands of parishioners and building up the momentum required for further success. This fundraising initiative is really part of the bigger project of spiritual renewal, to help everyone grow in faith, to reach a deeper, personal relationship with Jesus Christ, and to become brighter beacons of mission and service to those around. Building on the success of the Pilot Phase, we will soon begin to roll out the ***Closer to Christ*** Campaign across the whole Diocese, providing every parish with the opportunity to participate. Meanwhile, a Fundraising and Stewardship Committee, made up of clergy and laity, has been set up to oversee the campaign and along with the Committee, I look forward to keeping you updated on our progress.

Please pray for the success of this important endeavour.