



Our Lady's Parish, Stowmarket



Tel. 01449 612 946 + Fr Simon Leworthy, PP + 26th November, 2023

SACRED LITURGY

Saturday, (*Vigil, Woolpit*), 6pm - *Mass for the Parish*
 Sunday, 8.30am - + Clement & Stella Pereira (Pereira)
 10.15am - + Ignacy Sztechel (Marcellus-Boot)
 Monday, 10am - + Victor Fernandez (Pereira)
 Tuesday, 10am - + Lawrence Fernandez (Pereira)
 Wednesday, 10am - + Philip Pereira (Pereira)
 Thursday, 10am - + Daniel Ludi (Pereira)
 Friday, 10am - + Pat Leon (Pereira)

FEASTS DURING THE WEEK - Thursday: *St Andrew.*

Confessions - Saturdays

10 - 10.45am, Stowmarket; 5.30 - 5.50pm, Woolpit

OUR SICK/HOUSEBOUND - *especially: Catherine Hayward, Terri Thornton, Veronica Hughes, Marjorie Shorter, Geoffrey Johannes, Nuala Rickards* - are remembered in the "*Mass for the Parish*" each weekend. Please do pray for them.

RECENTLY DECEASED - Robert Bucke, Anthony McEntee.

ANNIVERSARIES - Joseph Mullins, Robert O'Shaughnessy, May Feeney, Sid Cain, Agnieska Stewart, Joan McHale, John Goss, Michael Keeling, John Gaughan, Ashley Durbin, Jennifer Davis, Ursel Mann, Brian Sparkes, Mary Robertson, Sheila Dobey.

Collections last week -
Vigil (*Woolpit*) £178
Sunday £628

Thank you

VARIOUS CONTACTS

Parish Website - www.ourladystowmarket.org.uk
 Items for Bulletin - pp@ourladystowmarket.org.uk
 PPC Chair - Mrs Josephine Lea
 Centre Bookings - Mrs Diane Bowden (01449 672527)
 Missions - Mrs Annie Bowen-Wright
Stowmarket & District Foodbank - Mrs Josephine Lea
 CAFOD - Mrs Pat Keating.
 Safeguarding - Maria Whiting (01449 613681) and Paul McIntee (07860511487)

FOOD BANK UPDATE: If you can donate any goods, they can be left either in the Narthex or in the *Catholic Centre*. Any cash donations can be put into the *Centre* letter box in an envelope marked "FOOD BANK". ***Please be as generous as you can during these times.***

Willing to help with the Singing? Please see Toni Grzedzicki, after Mass. ***Able to help with Reading at the 10.15?*** Please see Father.

November Mass envelopes are available in the Narthex.

Coffee today - in the *Catholic Centre* after 10.15 Mass

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Coffee & Chat - 2nd & 4th Thursdays, in the Hall.

A Reflective Liturgy of Prayer for Peace - will be held by CAFOD *this* Sunday, at 3pm, in Our Lady's. All welcome.

Soup Day to raise funds for CAFOD, Saturday, 12pm, 2nd December, in the *Catholic Centre*.

Christmas Afternoon Tea - in the Hall, 7th December, 2-4pm. All welcome; a list for names is in the Narthex.

Parish Pastoral Council - meets Tuesday, 12th Dec; at 7.15pm, in the Hall. *Recently elected: A. Bowen-Wright, E. Dzernjo, R. Muntus, J. Spencer, R. Stephens.*

Combined Churches Choir - Christmas Charity Event: A new musical entitled "*Christmas Changes Everything.*" 7pm, Saturday, 16th Dec., in the Anglican church in Stowmarket. Free admission with a retiring collection for *East Anglian Children's Hospices* - a charity worthy of support.

November ~ Month of the Holy Souls

Pope St Clement I

"God has Pledged that We shall Rise"

LET US CONSIDER, beloved, how the Lord continually proves to us that there shall be a future resurrection, of which He has rendered the Lord Jesus Christ the first-fruits by raising Him from the dead.



LET US CONTEMPLATE, beloved, the resurrection which is at all times taking place. Day and night declare to us a resurrection. The night sinks to sleep, and the day arises; the day again departs, and the night comes on.

LET US BEHOLD the fruits of the earth, how the sowing of grain takes place. The sower goes forth, and casts it into the ground, and the seed being thus scattered, though dry and naked when it fell upon the earth, is gradually dissolved. Then out of its dissolution the mighty power of the providence of the Lord raises it up again, and from one seed many arise and bring forth fruit.

DO WE THEN deem it any great and wonderful thing for the Maker of all things to raise up again those that have piously served Him in the assurance of a good faith.

HAVING THEN THIS hope, let our souls be bound to Him who is faithful in His promises, and just in His judgments. He who has commanded us not to lie, shall much more Himself not lie; for nothing is impossible with God, except to lie.

Rosary before Sunday, 8.30 Mass - A parishioner has kindly offered to lead the Rosary, starting at 8.10am. If you would like to help "*giving out and answering up*", please be in touch with Nuala Rickards.