TEXTS FOR MASS

Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace to people of good will. We praise you, we bless you, we adore you, we glorify you, we give you thanks for your great glory, Lord God, heavenly King, O God, almighty Father.

We bow at the name of **Jesus** (in bold)

Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son, Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us; you take away the sins of the world, receive our prayer; you are seated at the right hand of the Father, have mercy on us. For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ,

with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

First reading

Gloria

(Wisdom 2:12,17-20)

Psalm 53

(James 3:16-4:3)

The godless say to themselves: 'Let us lie in wait for the virtuous man, since he annoys us and opposes our way of life, reproaches us for our breaches of the law and accuses us of playing false to our upbringing.

'Let us see if what he says is true, let us observe what kind of end he himself will have. If the virtuous man is God's son, God will take his part and rescue him from the clutches of his enemies. Let us test him with cruelty and with torture, and thus explore this gentleness of his and put his endurance to the proof. Let us condemn him to a shameful death since he will be looked after - we have his word for it.'

Responsorial Psalm

The Lord upholds my life.

O God, save me by your name; by your power, uphold my cause. O God, hear my prayer; listen to the words of my mouth. R.

For proud men have risen against me, ruthless men seek my life. They have no regard for God. R.

But I have God for my help. The Lord upholds my life. I will sacrifice to you with willing heart and praise your name for it is good. R.

Second reading

Wherever you find jealousy and ambition, you find disharmony, and wicked things of every kind being done; whereas the wisdom that comes down from above is essentially something pure; it also makes for peace, and is kindly and considerate; it is full of compassion and shows itself by doing good; nor is there any trace of partiality or hypocrisy in it. Peacemakers, when they work for peace, sow the seeds which will bear fruit in holiness. Where do these wars and battles between yourselves first start? Isn't it precisely in the desires fighting inside your own selves? You want something and you haven't got it; so you are prepared to kill. You have an ambition that you cannot satisfy: so you fight to get your way by force. Why you don't have what you want is because you don't pray for it; when you do pray and don't get it, it is because you have not prayed properly, you have prayed for something to indulge your own desires.

Gospel Acclamation

All: Alleluia, alleluia! Reader: I am life. All: Alleluia!

Gospel

(Mark 9:30-37)

Jesus and his disciples made their way through Galilee; and he did not want anyone to know, because he was instructing his disciples; he was telling them, 'The Son of Man will be delivered into the hands of men; they will put him to death; and three days after he has been put to death he will rise again.' But they did not understand what he said and were afraid to ask him.

They came to Capernaum, and when he was in the house he asked them, 'What were you arguing about on the road?' They said nothing because they had been arguing which of them was the greatest. So he sat down, called the Twelve to him and said, 'If anyone wants to be first, he must make himself last of all and servant of all.' He then took a little child, set him in front of them, put his arms round him, and said to them, 'Anyone who welcomes one of these little children in my name, welcomes me; and anyone who welcomes me welcomes not me but the one who sent me.

Homily – A time for listening and not for reading the Newsletter.

Profession of Faith

The Nicene ("Niceno-Constantinopolitan") Creed

I believe in one God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible. I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ, the Only Begotten Son of God. born of the Father before all ages. God from God. Light from Light. true God from true God, begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father; through him all things were made. For us men and for our salvation he came down from heaven,

At the words that follow, up to 'and became man', all bow.

and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary, and became man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate, he suffered death and was buried, and rose again on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead and his kingdom will have no end. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church. I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Prayers after Mass

Praver to St Joseph

Hail Joseph the just, wisdom is with you; Blessed are you among men and blessed is Jesus, The fruit of Mary, your faithful spouse. Holy Joseph, worthy foster-father of Jesus Christ, Pray for us sinners and Obtain divine wisdom for us from God, Now and at the hour of our death. AMEN.

Hail Mary & Parish litany of Saints

NEWSLETTER

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19th September 2021

XXV Sunday of the Year – Year B HOME MISSION SUNDAY Psalter: Week 1

5:00pm (Sat) (OLG)	Vigil Mass
9:00am (SW)	Holy Mass
11:30am (OLG)	Holy Mass

During the Week

Mon (OLG) Memoria – St Andrew KimTae-gon & Comps 9:30am Adoration 10:00am Holv Mass Tue (SW) Feast – St Matthew Apostle & Evangelist 10:00am Holy Mass Thu (SW) Memoria – St Pius of Pietrelcina 6:30pm Adoration 7:00pm Holy Mass Fri (OLG) Memoria - Our Lady of Walsingham 10:00am Holy Mass

FROM THE CATECHISM THE FIRST COMMANDMENT

You shall have no other gods before me (Ex 20).

Irreligion 2118 God's first commandment condemns the main sins of irreligion: tempting God, in words or deeds, sacrilege, and simony.

2119 Tempting God consists in putting his goodness and almighty power to the test by word or deed. Thus Satan tried to induce Jesus to throw himself down from the Temple and, by this gesture, force God to act. Jesus opposed Satan with the word of God: "You shall not put the LORD your God to the test." The challenge contained in such tempting of God wounds the respect and trust we owe our Creator and





Lord. It always harbours doubt about his love, his providence, and his power.

2120 Sacrilege consists in profaning or treating unworthily the sacraments and other liturgical actions, as well as persons, things, or places consecrated to God. Sacrilege is a grave sin especially when committed against the Eucharist, for in this sacrament the true Body of Christ is made substantially present for us.

2121 Simony is defined as the buying or selling of spiritual things. To Simon the magician, who wanted to buy the spiritual power he saw at work in the apostles, St. Peter responded: "Your silver perish with you, because you thought you could obtain God's gift with money!" Peter thus held to the words of Jesus: "You received without pay, give without pay." It is impossible to appropriate to oneself spiritual goods and behave toward them as their owner or master, for they have their source in God. One can receive them only from him, without payment.

2122 The minister should ask nothing for the administration of the sacraments beyond the offerings defined by the competent authority, always being careful that the needy are not deprived of the help of the sacraments because of their poverty." The competent authority determines these "offerings" in accordance with the principle that the Christian people ought to contribute to the support of the Church's ministers. "The labourer deserves his food."

Atheism 2123 "Many...of our contemporaries either do not at all perceive, or explicitly reject, this intimate and vital bond of man to God. Atheism must therefore be regarded as one of the most serious problems of our time." (II Vatican Council, Gaudium et Spes, 19,1)

2124 The name "atheism" covers many very different phenomena. One common form is the practical materialism which restricts its needs and aspirations to space and time. Atheistic humanism falsely considers man to be "an end to himself, and the sole maker, with supreme control, of his own history." Another form of contemporary atheism looks for the liberation of man through economic and social liberation. "It holds that religion, of its very nature, thwarts such emancipation by raising man's hopes in a future life, thus both deceiving him and discouraging him from working for a better form of life on earth."

2125 Since it rejects or denies the existence of God, atheism is a sin against the virtue of religion. The degree of responsibility of this offense can be significantly diminished in virtue of the intentions and the circumstances. "Believers can have more than a little to do with the rise of atheism. To the extent that they are careless about their instruction in the faith, or present its teaching falsely, or even fail in their religious, moral, or social life, they must be said to conceal rather than to reveal the true nature of God and of religion."

2126 Atheism is often based on a false conception of human autonomy, exaggerated to the point of refusing any dependence on God. Yet, "to acknowledge God is in no way to oppose the dignity of man, since such dignity is grounded and brought to perfection in God...."64 "For the Church knows full well that her message is in harmony with the most secret desires of the human heart."

The month of September is dedicated to the **SEVEN DOLORS (Sorrows) OF MARY**

The Holy Father's intention for September: An Environmentally Sustainable Lifestyle We pray that we all will make courageous choices for a simple and environmentally sustainable lifestyle, rejoicing in our young people who are resolutely committed to this.

CONFESSIONS - By appointment presently.

Guidance for Parishioners attending Mass

Available on our website or church noticeboard.

Assisted Dying Bill

The Catholic Church remains opposed to any form of assisted suicide. It is a crime against human life and we cannot directly choose to take the life of another, even if they request it.

A Second Reading of the Assisted Dying Bill is due to take place on October 15th in the House of Lords. If this becomes legal the Bill would allow a terminally ill adult, with less than six months to live, to be assisted in committing suicide.

(I) As Christians we have the duty to pray that the bill will be defeated.

(II) As Citizens of the UK we have the right to write to the peers. In particular, we should share stories from our personal experience, to give voice to the concerns and fears of disabled people and to offer personal stories of those with medical expertise in end of life care.

(III) Please, if you can, engage and share stories and reasons against the Bill on social media.

PARISH

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION **CATECHISM PROGRAMME 2021-2022**

Enrolment to the First Holy Communion Catechism Programme is now open. Please collect an Application Form from the narthex and return it to the Parish Office (HP137UN) by 20th September. We are aiming to start the Course on 2^{nd} October.

ERRATA CORRIGE: Sessions for children will take place at St Wulstan's on Saturdays from 2pm to 3pm.

MASS COUNTING

From this Sunday we will start counting the number of faithful attending Mass. This will be for the parish statistics.

Changes in Church

From this Sunday we will introduce some changes.

Hymn Books: Faithful will be able to pick up a hymn book at the Entrance, please make sure your hymnbook is returned on the right side of the trolley (labelled USED HYMNBOOKS).

Entrance/Exit: We will keep the one-way system only for communion. The faithful will leave the church building through the entrance, so the hymnbooks can be left on the trolley as they leave.

Collection: It will happen during the normal time in Mass after the Creed (Presentation of the Gifts). Any 2^{ND} Collection will take place by the church door.

Repository at Our Lady's

Dee Harvey has kindly agreed to take charge of the Repository at Our Lady's. We are looking for volunteers to run the Repository on Sundays at the 11.30am Mass. Please let Dee or Father know.

Repository at St Wulstan's

St Wulstan's Repository located in the Narthex will be open after Mass on Tuesdays & Sundays for you to purchase cards and other religious items.

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion (EMHC)

There will be a meeting of all Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion, formerly erroneously called 'Eucharistic ministers' with Fr Benedetto. This meeting will be an update on some practices and on the need of Extraordinary Ministers visiting the sick. Saturday 25th September 2021 10.30am at St Wulstan's church. Attendance is essential in order to continue the ministry within our parish.

St Edmund Campion Pilgrimage

A relic of St Edmund Campion (under the guardianship of the KSC) will be carried from Stonor Park to Tyburn from the 1st Sept to 24th Oct stopping at various churches along the way. On the 20th Sept it will be at Our Lady of Grace (10.00am Mass). On the 21st Sept. it will be at St Wulstan's (10.00am Mass)

Lectio Divina

Join us to Read, Pray, Reflect and Listen to God's Word. The perfect way to prepare for Sunday Mass. Everyone Welcome, Thursday's 11.00am – 1.00pm Contact mrs s priestley@hotmail.com

Requiescat In Pace: We pray for the eternal rest of Richard Barrie David whose Commemoration Mass will be on Thursday 23rd September 1pm at Our Lady's.

Anniversaries of death: Mgr Graham Adams, Bishop William Wareing, Paul Sheridan, John Paul O'Callaghan, Margret O'Callaghan, Matthew Clarke, Winifred Ball, Teresa Cocksedge-Mines, George Birmingham, Patrick Keating, Kevin Reilly, Gertrud Czakan, Margaret Powers, Mary Hughes, Eileen Marriott, Antonietta Reston. Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May they rest in peace. Amen

Live streaming from the Cathedral

Those who happen to isolate for various reasons will be able to connect with our Cathedral in Northampton and join the live stream on: https://northamptondiocese.org/live/

DIOCESE

NYMO Events

Spotlight Meet - September 18th & 19th and next weekend, September 25th/26th.

Youth Ministry Conference - for two weekends, from Sep 25th/26th and Oct 2nd/3rd.

Spotlight Meet - On Monday, 27th September, NYMO are holding an online event, looking at the value of Youth Alpha for young people in the Catholic Church. This event will be held on Zoom, to make it easy for as many people as possible to attend. Jordan Kelly from Alpha will be presenting on the night. The session starts at 7pm, and finishes at 8.30pm. To register, please email info@nymo.org. For more information, see www.nymo.org/spotlight

Youth Ministry Conference - On Saturday, 9th October, NYMO will be holding their annual Youth Ministry Conference, at the NYMO

Offices in Luton, between 11 - 15:30. The Conference is for youth ministers, catechists, volunteers, priests, deacons and anyone who is interested in the future of young people in the Church. Places are limited, so if you wish to attend, you can book online at the NYMO website. Tickets are just £10 per person. For more information, see nymo.org/conference https://nymo.org/conference/

Diocesan Mass for Married Like

Bishop David Oakley warmly invites you to The Diocesan Mass for Married Life at The Cathedral of Our Lady Immaculate & St Thomas of Canterbury, Kingsthorpe Road, Northampton NN2 6AG on Saturday 16th October 2021.

Gathering from 11.30am followed by Mass at 12 noon. Bishop David will give his pastoral blessing to those couples celebrating significant milestones in their marriage i.e. 10, 20, 25, 30, 40, 50 years etc. If you are celebrating such a milestone please contact Eamonn & Paola McMorrow 07412 151517 or at mass.mfl@northamptondiocese.org All are welcome to attend. In line with Government guidelines social distancing will be adhered to in the Cathedral and afterwards in the new Cathedral Centre where refreshments will be available after Mass. Poster and sign-up form in the Narthex.

OTHER

PILGRIMAGE of REPARATION & PRAYER for the SANCTITY of LIFE

SATURDAY 23rd OCTOBER 2021 WALSINGHAM Led by Bishop Mark Davies, Fr Jeremy Davies, Fr David Donoghue and the Franciscan Friars Of The Renewal. Commencing at the 12 o'clock with Pilgrim Mass in the Chapel of Reconciliation For travel information & more details call 01858 571242

> or visit www.prolifepilgrimage.org view online at https://www.walsingham.org.uk/live-stream/

Knights of St Columba – Sponsored Walk

Sunday 26th September. This will be a new four mile walk through some of the wonderful AONB countryside near Stokenchurch. We invite anyone to sponsor, and/or join us, in which case fill in one of the forms in the Narthex. Alternatively, give your donation directly to the KSC bank account: 07517319, Sort Code 60-11-01 Payee: Knights of St.Columba. As in 2019, half the money raised will go to Wycombe Homeless Connection to help with the very real problem of homelessness in our midst, the other half for other KSC charitable activities, Contact: Paul Hogwood at pjhogwood@btinternet.com 07740 812414

Right to Life UK

Share your story and help stop assisted suicide

Peers need to know that any assisted suicide law would be fundamentally unsafe and that now is the time to invest in better palliative and end-of-life care instead.

We are asking for members of the public to send in their compelling personal stories of the powerful benefits of palliative and end-of-life care, and of the dangers of assisted suicide.

https://righttolife.org.uk/mystory

ACN – Lebanon Appeal

Aid to the Church in Need - The hope disaster cannot destroy. Last August's explosion in **Beirut** left many people struggling to make ends meet. Christian grandmother Georgette told ACN: "I live in a poor quarter of the city and our situation is very bad, especially after the explosion. I live there with my three grandchildren...I am responsible for them and I don't have anybody to help me, except for God, and the benefactors of ACN". To support please log on:

https://acnuk.org/our-campaigns/lebanon-appeal-2021/

Rosary Group

You are invited to another beautiful evening of prayer, litanies, readings and Rosary, with music to praise and worship the Lord, at St. Augustine's on Wednesday 29th September at 7.30pm. Do come along and bring friends and family. The blessings flow freely.

Wycombe Homeless Connection

Dates for your Diary: Details on the noticeboard Wednesday 29th September, at 7.30pm Wycombe Homeless Connection Annual Showcase 2021.

Wycombe Homeless Connection have Vacancies: For a Business Manager and a Business Administrator. Closing Date 20th September. Details are on the noticeboard.

TRACK & TRACE – NHS

Please note that it is highly encouraged to adhere to the 'Track and Trace' strategy, where details need to be provided each time you come to church either by including your name and contact number in the book provided or by clicking on the NHS app QR code. This is so we know who is at each Mass and you can be contacted if someone attending that Mass is later found to be infected with Covid. Additionally, and to keep everyone as safe as possible, please wait for the stewards to show you to a seat before Mass and for them to guide you to the exit after Mass. This is to maintain social distancing, so if you could remain seated at the end of Mass until asked to leave, that would be very helpful. Thank you for your co-operation.

Spiritual Communion Prayer - My Jesus, I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament. I love You above all things, and I desire to receive You into my soul. Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. As You are already there, I embrace You & unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You. Amen.

VITAEOPUS - REDUNDANCY COACHING

htpp://www.vitaeopus.co.uk provides free online information and advice about Job Hunting, Self Employment and Active Retirement for Parishioners adversely affected workwise by the pandemic.

Last Week's COLLECTIONS

First Collection including standing orders	£972.05
Second Collection Catholic Education Fund	£122.47

This Weeks 2nd Collection is for Home Mission Sunday

DONATIONS

You can Gift Aid all your donations by phone and online. Otherwise, for a Gift Aid form just ask the office to hand you one or download and print it from the Donate page on our website and hand it in at the office.

ONLINE DONATION on the Diocesan Website:

https://northamptondiocese.org/donate/

Scroll down to find the 'Donate' button and follow the instructions on the Catholic Diocese of Northampton Virgin money giving page. Please ensure the parish name and area, e.g. SJHN, High

Wycombe, that the donation is intended for is indicated in the notes section of the donate page. Please include your full name too.

STANDING ORDER via donor's own bank:

You can also set up a standing order for donations to the parish using either your online bank account or in branch. The information required to make the donation is as follows.

Bank: NatWest Sort Code: 60-06-11 Account Number: 46898093 Account Name: Northampton Roman Catholic Diocesan Trust Payment Ref: SJHN, High Wycombe

TELEPHONE – 'Giving Tuesday' To donate simply call 01604 712065 with your debit or credit card details. Thank you for your generosity!