

Our Lady of the Assumption Swynnerton

Parish Priest: Rev. Fr. Paul Chavasse
8 Weavers Walk, Swynnerton,
Stone, Staffordshire. ST15 0QZ
Telephone: 01782 796677
Email: oloa.swynnerton@rcaob.org.uk
www.ourladyoftheassumption.org.uk

The parish is part of the Archdiocese of Birmingham: Registered Charity No. 234216



Sunday 19th September, 2021 Twenty Fifth Sunday of the Year Home Mission Sunday

FEAST DAYS

Monday 20th September
St Andrew Kim-Taegon, Paul Chong Ha-sang & companions
(Nineteenth Century) The Christian faith was introduced into Korea during the seventeenth century through the deal of a group of laypersons. But from the very beginning these Christians suffered under terrible persecutions that, over the course of the nineteenth century, gave the Church many martyrs. Outstanding among these was the first Korean priest and devoted pastor Andrew Kim of Taegu, and the lay apostle, Paul Chong of Hasang. Among the Korean martyrs who struggled valiantly for Christ were bishops and priests, but for the most part they were laity, men and women, married single, young and old.

Tuesday 21st September
St Matthew
Also called Levi, he was the son of Alphaeus. He was a publican, that is, a tax collector for the Romans. His profession was hateful to the Jews. Nevertheless, our Lord called him. Matthew is one of the Twelve Apostles. The details of his evangelisation are unknown, as is of his martyrdom which perhaps took place in Persia. Tradition unanimously acknowledges him as the author of the first gospel. His name appears among the other apostles in the Roman Canon.

Thursday 23rd September
St Pio of Pietrelcina
(1887 - 1968) St Pius, better known as Padre Pio, was born in Pietrelcina in Campania, Italy, and joined the Capuchin community at Morcone. Ordained in 1910, he moved six years later to San Giovanni Rotondo in the Gargano peninsula. Bearing the wounds of Christ's passion on his body, he became famous for his ministry in the confessional, his spiritual direction and his miracles. In 1956 he opened the "Home to Relieve Suffering" near his friary. Despite his popularity, he faced much opposition, even from Church authorities. He was canonised in 2002.

Friday 24th September
Our Lady of Walsingham
The celebration of the Shrine at Walsingham, one of the great Medieval centres of pilgrimage. According to legend, in 1061 Richeldis de Faverches was instructed by the Virgin Mary to build a replica of the house in Nazareth where the Annunciation took place. The original shrine was destroyed at the Reformation.

Sunday 26th September
Twenty Sixth Sunday of the Year
Day of Prayer in Thanksgiving for the Harvest

Day	Time	Service	Confession*
Saturday 18th	5:30pm	Mass - Thomas McLoughlin RIP	
Sunday 19th	10:00am 6:00pm	Mass - For the People of the Parish Mass (EF) - Holy Souls	
Monday 20th	9:30am 1:30pm	Mass - Gavin Jackson RIP Mass - (HMP Drake Hall) For all Prisoners	
Tuesday 21st	9:30am	Mass - Gloria Egemba intentions	
Wednesday 22nd	9:30am	Mass - Lieve Garis intentions	
Thursday 23rd	9:30am	Mass - Gerard Finglass	
Friday 24th	9:30am	Mass - Holy Souls	
Saturday 25th	5:30pm	Mass - Tony Carlin RIP	
Sunday 26th	10:00am 6:00pm	Mass - For the People of the Parish Mass (EF) - Private Intention	

Note: Services in Black in church
Services in Blue elsewhere

* On request

- ❖ **THIS SUNDAY** is Home Mission Sunday, when we think and pray about the work of the Church in our country, proclaiming the Gospel of Life and teaching the Catholic faith. There is a Second Collection for the Church's work of evangelisation.
- ❖ **NEXT WEEKEND** there is the annual Second Collection for Father Hudson's Society, the social care agency based in our Archdiocese.
- ❖ **NEXT SUNDAY** is a Day of Prayer in Thanksgiving for the Harvest, so the Church will be decorated to reflect this important tradition.
- ❖ **OPPOSING THE ASSISTED DYING BILL:** Next month sees the latest attempt to get a Bill through Parliament legalising euthanasia. The last time this happened (in 2015) it was resoundingly defeated. Obviously Catholic Church teaching is opposed to such moves, but many other groups – Moslems, doctors' organisations etc – are similarly opposed. It is important our representatives in Parliament know our views. Our local MP, Sir Bill Cash, is strongly opposed to the Bill. Please write to him at the House of Commons to let him know you are against this legislation, which, if passed, will easily become a slippery slope, enabling an ever-wider interpretation of so-called 'mercy killing'. You can find more information if you go the English & Welsh Bishops' website: www.cbcew.org.uk
- ❖ **ORGAN RECITAL BY GEORGE GILLOW - OUR ORGANIST:** The Abbotsholme Arts Society are delighted to be able to offer a full season of classical music concerts this year. As a prelude to the season, they are offering a free organ recital by George Gillow in St Michael's and St Wulfad's church on Lichfield Road next Saturday, 25th September at 6 o'clock. All will be welcome.
- ❖ **OF YOUR CHARITY** please pray for all who are sick at this time, especially Yvonne Pynenburg, and all fellow-parishioners; for those who have died recently, and for those whose anniversaries occur about this time: Canon David Mellor, Thomas Charles Fitzherbert, Ann Plant, Roy Birks & Martha Monica Drinkwater.

Quotation

"Joy, with peace, is the sister of charity. Serve the Lord with laughter."

St Pius of Pietrelcina (died 1968); 'Padre Pio', the Italian Franciscan, renowned stigmatist, tireless hearer of confessions and carer of the sick, his feast is this Thursday..

Collection:	Gift Aid Envelopes	£ 122.00
	Loose	£ 196.00
	Total	£ 318.00
Special:	Mission Appeal (late)	£ 31.20
Congregation:	66 Adults & 4 Young People	

Thank you, God bless

Fr. Paul