

Our Lady of the Assumption Swynnerton

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Sunday 17th October, 2021 Twenty Ninth Sunday of the Year

FEAST DAYS

Monday 18th October

St. Luke, Evangelist

See Sunday Plus overleaf

Monday 19th October

**Ss John de Brebeuf, Isaac Jogues
and Companions**

(1593 - 1649) St John (Jean) de Brebeuf, St Isaac Jogues (1607 - 1646) and their six companions were Jesuit missionaries, originally from France, who dedicated their lives to preaching the Gospel among the indigenous people of North America. St John de Brebeuf was captured by the Iroquois, fastened to a stake, and tortured to death. St Isaac Jogues returned to Canada from France where he was seized by the Mowhawks and was killed in 1646.

Wednesday 20th October

Votive Mass of St Joseph

Thursday 21st October

Blessed Karl of Austria

Friday 22nd October

St John Paul II, Pope

(1920 - 2005) Charles Joseph Wotjityta was born in 1920 in Wadowice, Poland. He became first auxiliary bishop and, in 1964, Archbishop of Krakow and took part in the Second Vatican Council. On 16 October 1978 he was elected pope and took the name John Paul II. His exceptional apostolic zeal, particularly for families, young people and the sick, led him to numerous pastoral visits throughout the world. Among the many fruits which he has left as a heritage to the Church are above all his rich Magisterium and the promulgation of the Catechism of the Catholic Church as well as the Code of Canon Law.

Saturday 23rd October

St John of Capistrano

Sunday 24th October

Thirtieth Sunday of the Year

World Mission Sunday

Novena Prayer

Merciful God, we pray with thanks and gratitude for the great spiritual gift of St John Paul II's apostolic life and mission. Through his heavenly intercession we ask that the "Assisted Dying" Bill be defeated and that the infinite worth of each human person is upheld through proper investment in palliative care. Grant also that we may grow in love for You and proclaim boldly the love of Jesus Christ to all people. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

One Our Father, Hail Mary and Glory Be.

Day	Time	Service	Confession*
Saturday 16th	5:30pm	Mass - Special Intention (Duhig)	11:00 - 11:30 am*
Sunday 17th	10:00am 6:00pm	Mass - For the People of the Parish Mass (EF) - Private Intention (O)	
Monday 18th	9:30am 1:30pm	Mass - Special Intention (Anne Roebuck) - (HMP Drake Hall)	
Tuesday 19th	9:30am	Mass - Wendy Phillips Bowd RIP	
Wednesday 20th	9:30am	Mass - Donald Alexander Gunn RIP	
Thursday 21st	9:30am	Mass - Jeanne Sutton RIP	
Friday 22nd	9:30am	Mass - Holy Souls	
Saturday 23rd	5:30pm	Mass - Marion Hunt RIP	11:00 - 11:30 am*
Sunday 24th	10:00am 6:00pm	Mass - For the People of the Parish Mass (EF) - In Thanksgiving (Oleksik)	

Note: Services in Black in church
Services in Blue elsewhere

* On request

- ❖ **THIS WEEKEND** we have a Pastoral Letter from the Archbishop on preparing for the forthcoming Synod.
- ❖ **NEXT SUNDAY** is World Mission Sunday, when we think and pray about the Church's missionary work around the world. As usual, there will be a Second Collection for the Association for the Propagation of the Faith (APF). Envelopes are available today if you wish to Gift Aid any contributions. Many of you probably have one of the APF's Red Boxes at home, a relatively painless way of contributing to their work. If you would like a Red Box, please ask me, and if your Box needs emptying, please bring it to church soon, so that we can record our parish's ongoing donations.
- ❖ **NOVEMBER IS THE MONTH OF THE HOLY SOULS** and is fast approaching. Envelopes are to be found at the back of church in which you can place the names of your loved ones to be remembered during the month. You can also place in the envelope an offering if you wish a Mass to be said for them. The envelopes will be placed on the altar for the whole of the month. This is a great work of Christian charity for those who can no longer help themselves; "We have loved them in life; let us not forget them in death."
- ❖ **"ASSISTED" DYING BILL:** Please keep up your prayers this week as the "Assisted Dying" Bill has its Second Reading. There is still time to write to your MP or to a member of the House of Lords, expressing your views. The Novena Prayer, which we are saying, is reproduced below, and there are also copies in church. The Novena runs until Friday, the day of the Second Reading, and the feast day of Pope St John Paul II.
- ❖ **OF YOUR CHARITY,** please pray for all who are sick at this time, whether at home or in hospital, remembering especially Yvonne Pynenburg; for those who have died recently, and for those whose anniversaries occur about now: Fr Jerome Bertram, John Kavanagh, Bernard Day, Barbara Day, Ambrose Wilcox, Jeanne Sutton, Stan Highfield, Beatrice Chichele-Plowden & Juliet Anstey.

Quotation

"Not only is the fact of the destruction of so many human lives still to be born or in their final stage extremely grave and disturbing, but no less grave and disturbing is the fact that conscience itself, darkened as it were by such widespread conditioning, is finding it increasingly difficult to distinguish between good and evil in what concerns the basic value of human life." (from *Evangelium Vitae*)

Pope St John Paul II (died 2005) was a staunch defender of the sanctity of human life. His feast day is this Friday.

Collection:	Gift Aid Envelopes	£ 130.00
	Loose	£ 214.40
	Total	£ 344.40
Special:	Votive Candles	£ 92.40
Congregation:	61 Adults & 7 Young People	

Thank you, God bless

Fr. Paul.