

Our Lady of the Assumption Swynnerton

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Sunday 18th October, 2020 Twenty Ninth Sunday of the Year World Mission Sunday

FEAST DAYS

Monday 19th October St. Paul of the Cross

(1694 - 1775) St Paul of the Cross was born in Piedmont, Italy, and following a spiritual conversion, founded a congregation of missionaries with a special devotion to the Lord's passion and death (The Passionists). The first house was founded on Monte Argentario and, despite facing many problems, there were twelve Passionist 'Retreats' (Community Houses) by the time of his death, as well as a community of nuns. He had a special interest in England and regularly prayed for its conversion.

Wednesday 21st October Blessed Karl of Austria

(1887 - 1922) Karl ascended the throne as the last emperor of Austria-Hungary during the tumult of the first world war in 1916. He saw his office as a commission from God and duty to follow and imitate Christ, the one true King. While he died in exile just six years later at the age of 35, Karl led a heroic and saintly life, praying at his death, "Thy Holy Will be done. Jesus, Jesus, come! Yes—yes. My Jesus as Thou wilt it—Jesus." Today, The League of Prayer advances the cause of canonization for Blessed Karl.

Thursday 22nd October St John Paul II

(1920 - 2005) Charles Joseph Wotjtyta was born in 1920 in Wadowice, Poland. After his ordination to the priesthood and theological studies in Rome, he returned to his homeland and resumed various pastoral and academic tasks. 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.

Friday 23rd October St John of Capistrano

(1386 - 1456) John was born at Capistrano in the year 1386. For a short time he held the office of judge. As a member of the Friars Minor, he was ordained priest and travelled across Europe preaching the Gospel.

Saturday 24th October St Antony Claret

(1807 - 1870) St Antony Mary Claret was born at Salient, Spain. As a priest he is remembered for his missionary work in Catalonia and the Canary Islands, and founding the Claretian Fathers. He was ordained Bishop of Cuba. He spread devotion to the Blessed Sacrament and the Immaculate Heart of Mary.

Sunday 25th October Thirtieth Sunday of the Year

Day	Time	Service	Confession*
Saturday 17th	5:30pm	Mass - Edward & Mary Brosnan RIP	
Sunday 18th	10:00am 6:00pm	Mass - For the People of the Parish Mass (EF) - Arthur, Rita & Alan Lee RIP	
Monday 19th	No Public Mass	Bishop Leo McCartie RIP	
Tuesday 20th	6:00pm	Mass - Donald Alexander Gunn	
Wednesday 21st	9:30am	Mass - Jeanne Sutton RIP	
Thursday 22nd	9:30am	Mass - Sean Kiernan RIP	
Friday 23rd	9:30am	Mass - Susan Tams RIP	
Saturday 24th	5:30pm	Mass - In Thanksgiving	
Sunday 25th	10:00am 6:00pm	Mass - For the People of the Parish Mass (EF) - Sr Marie Dempsey RIP	

Note: Services in Black in church
Services in Blue elsewhere

* On request

- ❖ **SECOND COLLECTION:** This weekend we have the annual Second Collection for the Association for the Propagation of the Faith (the APF), one of the principal missionary works of the Church. Many of you have at home one of their famous "Red Boxes", which is such an easy way of collecting monies for the missions. If you would like a Red Box please speak to me after Mass in the Sacristy, as I'm not supposed to linger at the back of church under current restrictions.
- ❖ **MASS ON THURSDAY:** This Thursday is the Feast Day of Pope St John Paul II. There will be a Mass at 9.30 that morning.
- ❖ **A THANKSGIVING MASS FOR MARRIAGE** will take place in St Chad's Cathedral on Sunday November 1st at 12noon. Details can be found on the poster in the church porch.
- ❖ **NEW AUXILIARY BISHOPS:** I quite forgot last weekend to remind you that our Archdiocese now has two new auxiliary bishops. They were ordained in St Chad's Cathedral in Birmingham on October 9th, St John Henry Newman's feast day. They are Bishop Stephen Wright, who succeeds Bishop David McGough (now retired) in looking after our part of the Diocese, and Bishop David Evans, who succeeds Bishop Robert Byrne (now happily in Hexham & Newcastle) and so has responsibility for Birmingham and Warwickshire. Bishop David and I were in the same year in the English College in Rome, so we go back a long way! Please say a prayer for our new bishops as they start their important work among us.
- ❖ **OF YOUR CHARITY** please pray for all who are sick at this time, especially those of our parish and our families; for those who have died recently, especially Susan Tams; and for those whose anniversaries occur about this time: Fr George Smith, Fr Jerome Bertram of the Oratory, Fr Brian Whatmore, Bernard & Barbara Day, Ambrose Wilcox, Jeanne Sutton, Stan Highfield, Beatrice Chichele-Plowden & John Waters.

Quotation

"Do not be afraid....Peoples and nations of the entire world need to hear these words. Their conscience needs to grow in the certainty that Someone exists who holds in his hands the destiny of this passing world...And this Someone is Love - Love that became man, Love crucified and risen, Love unceasingly present among men."

Pope St John Paul II (died 2005), writing in 1978 at the beginning of his long pontificate.
This Thursday is his feast day.

Collection:	Gift Aid Envelopes	£ 155.00
	Loose	£ 145.00
	Total	£ 300.00
Special	Donations	£ 140.00
Congregation:	58 Adults & 7 Young People	

Thank you, God bless

Fr. Paul.