

# Our Lady of the Assumption Swynnerton

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## Sunday 1st August, 2021 Eighteenth Sunday of the Year

### FEAST DAYS

**Monday 2nd August  
St Eusebius of Vercelli**  
(+371) St Eusebius was born in Sardinia and brought up in Rome. Around 340 he was named Bishop of Vercelli in Piedmont. He fought staunchly against the Arian heresy which denied the divinity of Jesus Christ. The Arians tortured and executed him.  
*Also: St Peter Julian Eymard*

**Wednesday 4th August  
St John Mary Vianney**  
(1786 - 1859) John was outstanding for his steadfast care of souls, for his spirit of prayer and mortification, but above all, for his tireless dedication to the Sacrament of Penance. He spent most of his life in the confessional, drawing energy from his intimate and constant friendship with Our Lord in the Eucharist. Pope Pius XI declared his Patron of the Universal Clergy

**Thursday 5th August  
Dedication of the  
Basilica of St. Mary Major**  
The Roman Basilica of St Mary Major is the oldest church in the West under the patronage of Our Lady. In the year 431 the Council of Ephesus defended both the divinity and humanity of Christ and gave Our Lady a new title, "Mother of God". Shortly after this Pope Sixtus III built a basilica in honour of Our Lady.

**Friday 6th August  
The Transfiguration of Our Lord**

**Saturday 7th August  
St Sixtus II & Companions**  
Sixtus and his four deacons died in 258. They were arrested whilst celebrating the Eucharist on August 6th and beheaded the same day.  
*Also: St Cajetan*

**Sunday 8th August  
Nineteenth Sunday of the Year**

Day	Time	Service	Confession*
Saturday 31st	5:30pm	Mass - Bishop Leo McCartie RIP	
Sunday 1st August	10:00am 6:00pm	Mass - For the People of the Parish Mass (EF) - Special Intention (Duhig Family)	
Monday 2nd	9:30am 1:45pm	Mass - Cheadle Family intentions Mass - (HMP Drake Hall) For all Prisoners & their Families	
Tuesday 3rd	9:30am	Mass - Duhig Family intentions	
Wednesday 4th	9:30am	Mass - Sr Joan Coffey RIP	
Thursday 5th	9:30am	Mass - Sr Paula Costello intentions	
Friday 6th	9:30am	Mass - Ben O'Reilly RIP	
Saturday 7th	10:00am 5:30pm	Mass (EF) - For the Welfare of the Order of Malta Mass - Alfie Alexander Gunn	
Sunday 8th	10:00am 6:00pm	Mass - For the People of the Parish Mass (EF) - Tom & Mary Harrison RIP	

Note: Services in Black in church  
Services in Blue elsewhere

\* On request

- ❖ **TO REPEAT WHAT I WROTE LAST WEEK: EASING OF RESTRICTIONS:** With all the pews reopened and tapes and markers removed, it is good to have the church back to normal and no longer looking like a crime scene! Legal safety restrictions have all come to an end now. Face masks and social distancing are not required but are recommended, and all are advised to exercise caution and to respect the concerns of others who might be at greater risk. Signs are available for you to use if you wish to indicate to others that you require space around you. Please continue to use hand sanitiser as before. Congregational singing can now resume, but it is recommended that masks be worn. We will attempt a gradual re-introduction of hymns. Holy Communion can be received at any Mass either in the hand or on the tongue. The Sign of Peace and Communion from the Chalice remain suspended and Holy Water stoups are not yet in use. The obligation to attend Mass on Sundays and Holydays returns on Advent Sunday at the end of November.
- ❖ **YEAR OF ST JOSEPH:** For obvious reasons it has not been possible to do very much to mark this Year of St Joseph, instituted by Pope Francis. However, from now on, when the calendar allows it, we will have a Votive Mass of St Joseph on Wednesdays, the day traditionally given over to devotions to him.
- ❖ **THE FEAST OF THE ASSUMPTION:** This year our parish's Patronal Feast falls on a Sunday. In other years we have marked the day with a drink and a little food in the Presbytery after Mass. If we could guarantee fine weather, we could have something in the garden, but I think it is better to be prudent, so there won't be any little party this year..
- ❖ **\*\*IMPORTANT CHANGE\*\*** In order to comply with Diocesan policy, please note that the Parish email address is changing. It will now be: oloa.swynnerton@rcaob.org.uk You will find it in the usual place at the top of this newsletter.
- ❖ **OF YOUR CHARITY** please pray for all who are sick at this time, especially our fellow-parishioners; for those who have died recently, and for those whose anniversaries occur about now: Fr Philip Lynch, Thomas Wright, Timothy Lucking, Les Whitton, Henry Machin, Gordon Bailey, Ellen Brough, Mark Williams & Stanislaus Klinkiewicz.

### Quotation

"It is always springtime in the heart that loves God."

St John Mary Vianney (died 1859), the famous Curé of Ars.  
Honoured as the Patron Saint of Parish Priests, his feast is this Wednesday.

Collection:	Gift Aid Envelopes	£ 150.00
	Loose	£ 296.00
		£ 446.00
Congregation:	60 Adults & 5 Young People	

Thank you, God bless

*J. Paul*