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OUR LADY OF LOURDES HARPENDEN

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21ST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (A)



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BANK HOLIDAY MONDAY

Monday 31st August is a Bank Holiday so **Mass will be at 10.00am.**

FIRST COMMUNION & CONFIRMATION 2027

Preparation for First Communion and Confirmation will be commencing in the autumn term. Registration for both Sacraments has now closed. If you haven't already done so, please return the completed form to the Parish Office without delay.

CONFIRMATION CATECHIST'S NEEDED

Could you help prepare our young people for the Sacrament of Confirmation? If you would like to find out more, please email Canon Dwyer. We would be delighted to hear from you.

SING FOR FIFTEEN IS STARTING THIS SEPTEMBER

Four Tuesday evenings 7.30pm - 9.00pm in the Undercroft - starting Tuesday 15th September. Everyone welcome and no previous singing experience needed. Concert on Saturday 10th October at 3pm. All money raised goes to NOAH charity supporting homelessness in Luton and KeyStage Housing. The fee for the whole course is £40 and payment details will be given once you are signed up and ready to start! If you have not tried this before then please give it a go. Bring a friend! It is a short commitment and great for your wellbeing and especially for those who benefit from our fundraising - over £8000 so far since Sing For One started a few years ago.

Please email Katie Metcalfe katiemjack@yahoo.co.uk to sign up and we look forward to seeing you .

CHORISTERS AND ADULT CHOIR

Choristers - Year 4 to Year 13 are welcome to join from September. There is a schedule of rehearsals and Masses published each term and full training is given. Serving as a chorister is a commitment so please consider this carefully as attendance at Thursday rehearsals and Sunday 11.30am Masses is required as per the schedule. Extra Masses such as First Holy Communion and Confirmation are also part of the life of a chorister and all dates are given in advance to help the family diary. **Please email Katie Metcalfe or ask at the parish office.**

ADULT CHOIR - SATB, non-auditioned choir. Meets every Thursday 8-9pm during term time and full training given. Many opportunities for singing at Mass, at weddings, funerals and in concerts performing some epic choral works - most recently Mozart's Requiem, Hayden's Nelson Mass, Vivaldi's Gloria and Unconditional Love , a cantata by Howard Goodall. Please **email Katie Metcalfe for details** and to chat if considering joining.

CATENIAN NEWS

4 CATENIAN CIRCLES REIGNITE THEIR ASSOCIATION.

Members of the four Circles of Harpenden, Luton & District, Bedford, Milton Keynes and Northampton are meeting together at a venue in Newport Pagnell on August 26th to reestablish long standing links between the 4 Circles in a spirit of faith, family and friendship. They will also be joined by brothers (as we are known) from Chiltern Circle, Banbury, Bicester and South Bucks Circles. Want to know more about how to become a Catenian, then email: Simon Davies at simon-davies9@sky.com

9TH SEPTEMBER DINNER

Harpenden, Luton & District Circle Catenians will be holding its next meeting at Harpenden, Golf Club on Wednesday, 9th September from 7pm. Do join us and ladies for a jolly social evening.

It's good to get out, enjoy good food, mix with likeminded people, and make new friends especially if working from home is the norm. email Dennis Cooper at dennis@denniscooper.uk

A DEVELOPING WORLD GROUP

SAVE THE DATE

DWG QUIZ NIGHT

The very popular DWG annual quiz will be held on **17th October** in Lourdes Hall. Tickets will go on sale during September.



MASS INTENTIONS	
Saturday 22nd August Vigil Mass 6.00pm Sunday 23rd August 8.30am 9.45am 11.30am	The Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary 21ST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME(A) People of the Parish Kieran Gaffey RIP (Recently Deceased) Olivia Aatlio (Special Intention) Michael Hearl RIP Zoom Code 883 7014 5568
Monday 24th August 9.15am	ST BARTHOLOMEW, Apostle Victims of the Earthquakes in Columbia
Tuesday 25th August 9.15am	Feria
Wednesday 26th August 9.15am	Feria The Polish Veterans (Special Intentions)
Thursday 27th August 11.00am	Feria
Friday 28th August	St Augustine, Bishop & Doctor of the Church
Saturday 29th August 1.00pm Vigil Mass 6.00pm Sunday 30th August 8.30am 9.45am 11.30am	The Passion of St John the Baptist Wedding Amelia McCarthy & Jack Scorer 22ND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (A) People of the Parish Susan Stanley-Conway RIP (Recently Deceased) Andrew Scarlett (Special Intentions) Peggy Shaw RIP (Anniversary) Zoom Code 883 7014 5568
Monday 31st August BANK HOLIDAY 10.00am	Feria
Tuesday 1st September 9.15am	Feria
Wednesday 2nd Sept 9.15am	Feria
Thursday 3rd September 11.00am	ST GREGORY THE GREAT, Pope & Doctor of the Church Maria Elizabeth Castro RIP
Friday 4th September	Feria
Saturday 5th September Vigil Mass 6.00pm Sunday 6th September 8.30am 9.45am 11.30am	Feria Wedding Anna Kerr & Simeon Jenkin 23RD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME(A) People of the Parish Fr Peter Dwyer RIP (Recently Deceased) Josie Kealy RIP (Anniversary) Elizabeth Wang RIP (Anniversary) Zoom Code 883 7014 5568