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Feast of All Saints 1st November 2020

Sunday Reflection: “Feast of All Saints” – “With today’s feast of All Saints, we commemorate those who belong to God, those who are holy. The Saints are an example for each one of us today, for we are all called to belong to God, to be his saints. In today’s feast day, we are called not only to reflect on how we too are called to live lives that also reflect the examples of the saints who are in heaven. These saints, by their actions, were examples of Christ-shaped lives. Our lives are also called to imitate a life transformed by the example of Christ, remembering that the call to sainthood has been issued to us, thus, we are saints-in-making. In other words, though not each and everyone of us will make the official list of the Church’s canonized saints, we too are called to see God as he really is, that is, face-to-face.” (Intercom 2014). We all aspire to becoming ‘Saints’. Recently we received a wonderful reminder of this when “our former Parishioner”, Carlo Acutis, was Beatified by Pope Francis on 10th October 2020. Carlo Acutis was baptised in our Church on 18th May 1991 by Fr. Nicholas Martin OSM. Some time after his Baptism, his parents returned to Italy. Carlo grew in his love of prayer and the Sacrament of the Eucharist, attending daily Mass and praying the Rosary every day. Died in 2006 aged 15 years. I believe ‘Blessed Carlo’ will be a “rich source of blessings” for us all. He is already a source of inspiration for his beloved family. Just like our former parishioner, Blessed Carlo, we are all “Saints-in-the making”.

Feast of All Souls – (Mon 2nd Nov) – A day when we remember all our loved ones who have gone before us. Through our journey in life we ask the “Saints” to intercede for us. It is our duty to pray for and intercede for our loved ones and all the Holy Souls who have died that they be purified of all their sins and be in such a state of holiness to meet God face-to-face and share his life for all eternity in perfect happiness. Make it part of your daily prayer during November to pray the “Eternal Rest” prayer for all the Holy Souls. The Holy Souls will be celebrated throughout November, please take a November envelope, and write names of your loved ones to be remembered in the Masses.

Remembrance Sunday – Is next Sunday 8th November. Poppies are available in the Parish Office. We Remember and Pray.

RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults) – registration is now open. A course for adults who have not been baptised and would like to be, as well as for Christians of other denominations who would like to be received into the Roman Catholic Church, and Roman Catholics who have not been confirmed. Please email the Parish Office for a registration form.

Vigil Mass: Sat 6.30pm
Sunday 9.30am
11.30am
Spanish Mass 12.30pm
Mon, Wed & Fri 10am
Please note our Church is only open at Mass Times.

Sacrament of Confession

By Appointment

If you would like Confession, please email, or call the Parish Office.

Parish Office Opening Hrs

Mon – Fri 9am to 5pm
(Lunch from 1.30 to 2.30pm)

Saints Days

Mon 2nd – All Souls
Tue 3rd – St Martin de Porres
& St Winifride
Wed 4th – St Charles
Borromeo
Sat 7th – St Willibrord

Confirmation: Details of the Celebration of programme 2019/2020 will be announced shortly.

First Holy Communion: Dates of registration for our next programme will be announced shortly.

Safeguarding

Representatives –

Dorota Trawinska & Alexia Carter. Contact them in confidence: Details are on our website servitechurch.org and in the Colonnade.