Hymns: 371 For all the Saints 443 May the choirs of angels
708 Holy God, we praise thy name.
Today our wonderful Choir will lead us -
new members would always be welcomed.

## First Holy Communion enrolment Mass

Sunday 15 November at 10.30am Mass

**The Sacrament of Confirmation** will be celebrated
by Bishop Richard Walker on Saturday 5 June at 6.00pm

## Scripture Course - The Gospel of St. John

This week - The Woman at the Well (Chapter 4)
Friday 6 November 10.00am at St. Michael's, Sonning Common

**Online Offertory Donation:** You can donate from our website **or use this QR code**

**To add gift aid:** to your credit or debit card all you have to do is press the button on the right, in blue, then press next and fill in your email address and details.
**You only have to do this once.**

**Offertory Collection:** **Thank you for your generous support.**

Offertory Contactless £ 117.00 **Sisters Missionary Appeal** CAFOD £ 100.00
Website Offertory £ 45.00 **£ 971.00** **Total £ 1,233.00**

**Standing Orders for September 2026** **£ 3,503.00** **Very many thanks**

## Safeguarding

The Parish operates in accordance with Statutory Safeguarding Guidance and the National and Archdioceses policies & procedures at all times.
Our Parish Safeguarding Representative **David Connolly.** He can be contacted at:

**sg.sh.henley@rcaob.org.uk or alternatively the Diocesan**
**Safeguarding team can be contacted on 0121 230 6240/safeguarding@rcaob.org.uk**

**Live Streaming of Mass:** to enable our Sick and Housebound of our Parish Community to have greater access and participation you can live stream all our services:
https://www.mcn.live/Camera/sacred-heart-catholic-church

Website: www.sacredhearthenley.co.uk
Parish Office: sh.henley@rcaob.org.uk
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# Sacred Heart Catholic Church

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| Parish Priest: | Canon Paul Fitzpatrick MA. STL |
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| Safeguarding Rep: | David Connolly |
| Parish Secretary: | Sarah Harris (Wed- Fri 9—1pm) |
| Parish Hall Rep: | Sarah Harris |



## Sunday 1 November - Feast of All Saints- Page 184 no. 2958

**The merger of parishes across South Oxfordshire.**

*Discerning the case for change:*

Working as a team of priests alongside each other for the good of the people of the parish, with a unified pastoral vision, under the leadership of an appointed moderator will allow the clergy to spend more time on sacramental, spiritual and catechetical ministry. We are planning a regular series of monthly spiritual and catechetical events which will be a fruit of our merger, open to all, rather than one parish community.

We have begun to build 'hubs' where particular aspects of the Diocesan Vision are being implemented, depending on the resources and skills evident with different parish communities.

For example, Caversham, Thame and Sonning Common have been identified as hubs for young people to gather together, directing our resources and KYT to support these flourishing groups. Dorchester on Thames and Goring on Thames are hubs for liturgical music, cultural events and liturgy and worship. Henley seeks to model responsible stewardship in the light of Laudato Si.

As the Priests work together, so to a similar way we wish the lay faithful to work together, characterised by co-responsibly, working as a team. This can be applied to every area of parish life, from children's liturgy, youth activities, catechetical programmes, to the Financial committee or the Parish Pastoral Council. The ongoing experience gained from the Synodal Pathway has enable several parishes to undertake regular Parish Assemblies to discern their pastoral priorities in line with the Diocesan Vision – unfolding God's plan. Sonning Common has undertaken three rounds of Parish Assemblies allowing the lay faithful to discern their pastoral priorities in areas such as Young People and Family Life, Evangelisation and Mission, which has directed the energies of the Parish Pastoral Council to oversee the implementation of these priorities. Such a model can apply to the wider parish structure, while also working co-responsibly with the lay faithful across the new Parish. **Canon Paul**

## Laudato Si - Parish Hall EV Panels

We are very grateful to Oxfordshire Historic Churches Trust for their award of £6,000 for our Solar Panels. You can support this appeal by using the machines in the Church or this QR code:

## The New Mass Books

The next set of new Mass Books have arrived. If you have asked for a personal dedication that will be added to the new books.

If you missed the opportunity to dedicate a book in memory of a loved one, or would like to sponsor a Mass Book, we are now offering another opportunity.

*See the sheet at the back of the Church*

## Feast of All Saints = Sunday 1 November 2026

| Date | Times | Service | Intention |
|---|---|---|---|
| Saturday<br>31 October | 6.00 pm | Mass | People of the Parish |
| Sunday<br>1 November | 8.30 am<br>10.30 am | Mass<br>Mass | Malcolm Dillingham |
| Monday<br>2 November | **9.45 am**<br>**10.00 am** | Morning Prayer<br>**Mass** | Holy Souls |
| Tuesday<br>3 November | 9.45 am<br>10.00 am | Morning Prayer<br>Mass | Canon Dennis Toplass |
| Wednesday<br>4 November | 9.45 am<br>10.00 am | Morning Prayer<br>Mass | Anna Cairns |
| Thursday<br>5 November | 6.45 pm<br>**7.00 pm** | Evening Prayer<br>**Mass** | **Church Cleaning**<br>**All welcome**<br>**10.00 am** |
| Friday<br>6 November | 9.45 am<br>10.00 am | Morning Prayer<br>Mass | Graham and Eijkenboom Families |
| Saturday<br>7 November | 6.00 pm | Mass | |
| Sunday<br>8 November | 8.30 am<br>10.30 am | Mass<br>Mass | Rosie Mechin (w)<br>Dec'd of World Wars |

**ENTRANCE ANTIPHON**

Let us all rejoice in the Lord,
as we welcome the feast day
in honour of all the Saints,
at whose festival the Angels
rejoice and praise the Son of God

**Responsorial Psalm:** Such are the people who seek your face, O Lord.

**Alleluia, alleluia!**
Come to me, all who labour and
are heavy laden, says the Lord,
and I will give you rest.
**Alleluia**

**READINGS:**

Revelation 7:2-4, 9-14
1 John 3:1-3
Psalm 24:1-2, 3-4, 5-6,
Matthew 5:1-12

# Parish News




**Second Collection**

*The Johnson Fund*
cares for the Sick & Retired
Priests of the Archdiocese.
Use this QR code:

**🍽️ Parish Lunch Party – All Welcome!**

Join us on Sunday, 15th November for a joyful lunch party celebrating faith, togetherness and friendship.
All parishioners are warmly invited to come together, enjoy good food and fellowship. Please bring a dish or drink to share.
We look forward to sharing a lovely time together! ❤️

**Month of November = Holy Souls**

**Sunday 1 November - Blessing of Graves**

The annual Blessing of Graves will take place at Fairmile Cemetery at 12.00 noon. Please gather at Canon Toplass' grave.

**Monday 2 November - All Souls Day**

There will be an extra Mass on Monday at 10.00am as we pray for the Souls of the Faithful Departed

**Mass for Deceased Parishioners**
**Monday 9 November.**
**Mass at 12.00 Noon followed by Lunch.**
All are welcome, although please let us know if you are coming, so that we can prepare the catering.

**Help and Assistance**

To make this occasion a great success, we are looking for offers of help and assistance. This can be serving at table, or cooking part of the meal.

**Please pray for:**

*The Sick & Housebound of our Parish Community:*

Jill Allen, Jaime Alto, Maria J Bagumayan, Noreen Breadmore, Ronnie Campbell, Melene Clifford, Arthur De Meyer, Linda Heneghan, Evelyn Lochrin, John McCann, Anne Thompson, Diana Watson, Veronica Willans, Katie Worsfield.

*If you know of anyone who is sick, do let us know.*

**Those who have died:**

*Anniversaries that occur at this time:* Anno Cheesman, Canon Dennis Toplass, Patricia Stacey, Jeanne-Marie D'Souza.

**May they rest in peace**

