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Date	Time	Service	Intention
Sunday 14 November <i>Psalter week 1</i>	MASS 11am	33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time Remembrance Sunday 	Parishioners
Monday 15 November		Monday of Week 33	
Tuesday 16 November	11:30am 7pm	Requiem Mass of Celine Williams <i>St Edmund St Margaret St Gertrude</i> Evening Prayer over Zoom	
Wednesday 17 November	Mass 10am	Wednesday of Week 33 St Hilda St Hugh St Eliz of Hungary	Priest's Intention
Thursday 18 November		Thursday of Week 33 <i>Ded'n of Basilicas of SS Peter & Paul</i>	
Friday 19 November	7pm	Friday of Week 33 Rosary over Zoom	
Saturday 20 November		Saturday of Week 33	
Sunday 21 November	MASS 11am	CHRIST THE KING Day of Prayer for Young People	Parishioners

14 November - Day of Special Prayer for all Victims of War & World Day of Prayer for the Poor

November - Month of the Holy Souls Many Catholics wish Mass to be celebrated for deceased relatives and friends. If so, kindly place the Mass offering along with the list of names in the envelope provided and write the family name on the front. If you do not wish Mass to be said, the names can still be placed in the envelope but please omit the family name on the front. In both cases, please place the envelope in the basket before the Altar. Slips and Envelopes in the porch.



Celine Williams

Please pray for the happy repose of the soul of Celine Williams and for her family and friends. Celine's Requiem Mass will be held this Tuesday 16 November at 11.30am in Church followed by interment at Market Drayton cemetery.

Please keep the following Parishioners in your prayers ... Marie-Sophie Szymanski, John McGrath, Doreen Dodd, Faye Hargreaves, Mary Goodwin, Julian and Dawn Huxley, Sheila Minnery, Emmie Justice, Shane McGroggan, Doreen Warrilow, Sylvia Mary Stanworth, & all sick and housebound of the parish.

Parish Evening Prayer & Rosary Now the nights really have drawn in would you like to join the group  who celebrate **Evening Prayer (Tuesday 7pm) over Zoom** and the **Rosary (Friday 7pm) over Zoom.**? email ssthomasandstephen@gmail.com or phone Wilf.

Pope's Universal Intention for November - People Who Suffer from Depression We pray that people who suffer from depression or burn-out will find support and a light that opens them up to life.

Bishops' Conference of England and Wales website. Keep up with news of the Church. You can sign up for a weekly update. <https://mailchi.mp/cbcew/230320-1184330?e=20f129b458>



Market Drayton Foodbank has no or low stock of the following items:

If you are able to donate, please leave your items in the green bin in the Church porch: **Eggs, Tinned spaghetti, Washing Powder/Tabs/Liquid, Washing Up Liquid, long life cartons of fruit juice, sponge puddings/slab cake, pasta/cooking sauces (not pasta) wet dog food.** THANK YOU.

REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY (MASS) 14th NOVEMBER 2021

We remember those of our families who died or suffered in our country's wars. Nor should we forget all those others of this parish, together with our families, friends and other acquaintances, who gave their lives in our country's wars. Today, we remember, in particular, the following members of our Parish who gave their lives in the First World War....

2Lt Walter Clifford (Irish Guards)
Rifleman George Flynn (Kings Royal Rifle Corps)
Cpl Harry Higgins (King's Shropshire Light Infantry)
Capt Francis Harding (Royal Field Artillery) [also window]
L/Cpl Frederick McAvan (King's Shropshire Light Infantry)
Cpl Lawrence McAvan (King's Shropshire Light Infy)
William McAvan (King's Shropshire Light Infantry)
L/Cpl G.W. Russell (Irish Guards)
L/Cpl F.W. Wallis (Grenadier Guards)



And those members of our Parish who gave their lives in the Second World War...

Captain George Clifford (8th RI Hussars)
Sqn Ldr Kenneth Harding DFC & Bar
P/O Trevor Peeler

Also ... Among the war graves in the Town Cemetery are those of the following young Polish airmen, who often attended Mass here, and who joined us in the great fight for freedom and democracy, and who gave their lives in the Second World War.

We remember them too...



Bohdan Bielkiewick
Stepan Gruszczak
Josef Jaworski
Oldrich Kestler
Stainslow Kos
Woodziniera Majewski
Josef Martinec
Zelgeslaw Mrowka
Josef Piasecki

*They shall grow not old
As we that are left grow old.
Age shall not weary them,
Nor the years condemn.
At the going down of the sun,
And in the morning....
We will remember them*

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DEDICATION ON THE WREATH

*Father of all of us, these were Thy men,
Thy word and breath infused with life their clay,
Thy power can resurrect their souls again,
Who art the only Truth, the Light, the Way.*

*We from this Parish who remain
Remember them this day and make request
That what they fought and died for be not vain,
That to their souls be granted endless rest.*





Congratulations, David A very big **Thank You** to everyone who has donated to David Smith's fund-raising marathon for RNIB (Royal National Institute of Blind People). He completed his marathon in sunshine with some faithful supporters walking with him, as well as children from the MD Infants' school. Money raised to date, including gift aid, is over £3,000. Thank you for your support.

Gospel The stars will fall from heaven and the powers in the heavens will be shaken

Jesus said to his disciples: 'In those days, after the time of distress, the sun will be darkened, the moon will lose its brightness, the stars will come falling from heaven and the powers in the heavens will be shaken. And then they will see the Son of Man coming in the clouds with great power and glory; then too he will send the angels to gather his chosen from the four winds, from the ends of the world to the ends of heaven.



'Take the fig tree as a parable: as soon as its twigs grow supple and its leaves come out, you know that summer is near. So with you when you see these things happening: know that he is near, at the very gates. I tell you solemnly, before this generation has passed away all these things will have taken place. Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will not pass away.

'But as for that day or hour, nobody knows it, neither the angels of heaven, nor the Son; no one but the Father.'



Commentary Jesus saw his mission to be the establishment of the sovereignty of God, the kingship and rule of God over the world, even in rebellious human hearts. Using the language and imagery of his time, he described this 'earth-shaking' event

in terms of cosmic disturbances. The coming of God, the Day of the Lord, would constitute the end of the world as we know it. As Christians we must acknowledge that the death and resurrection of Christ utterly changed the world for ever; it was the Day of the Lord. And yet the world still continues, and we have still to prepare for the Day of the Lord, when we will come into that awesome presence. That meeting can be pictured only in terms of collapse and upheaval, our world turned upside-down. At death all our familiar realities cease, even the ticking of the clock. At death, time ceases to have meaning. We do not know, and have no need to know, when or how this will occur. For all it will come, for each it will be an individual meeting, but will it be all together or each individually? The Son of Man will gather his own, in great power and glory. *HW*

Saint of the Week St Hilda (or Hild) of Whitby (c. 614 – 680)

Baptised by St. Paulinus, she was the daughter of a king of Northumbria, and is considered one of England's greatest women. At age 33 Hilda entered Chelles Monastery in France, where her sister was a nun. At the request of St. Aidan, she returned to Northumbria and became abbess of Hartlepool, later becoming the head of the double monastery of Streaneschalch, at Whitby. She trained five bishops, convened the Council of Whitby, and encouraged the poet Caedmon. The prestige of Whitby is reflected in the fact that King Oswiu of Northumberland chose Hilda's monastery as the venue for the Synod of Whitby, the first synod of the Church in his kingdom. He invited churchmen from as far away as Wessex to attend the synod. Most of those present, including Hilda, accepted the King's decision to adopt the method of calculating Easter currently used in Rome, establishing Roman practice as the norm in Northumbria. The monks from Lindisfarne, who would not accept this, withdrew to Iona, and later to Ireland.



The source of information about Hilda is the *Ecclesiastical History of the English People* by Bede in 731, who was born approximately eight years before her death. He documented much of the Christian conversion of the Anglo-Saxons. Legend holds that at the moment of her death the bells of the monastery of Hackness tolled. A nun there named Begu claimed to have witnessed Hilda's soul being borne to heaven by angels. She is a main character in Melvyn Bragg's novel *Credo*.