#### Food Bank

We would like a <u>PAUSE</u> in your usual donations for a while, as all our storage space is full! Instead, we would be very pleased to receive Christmas goodies from now onwards: **Christmas Shopping List**: Christmas pudding, custard, tins of ham, tins of chicken in sauce, tins of vegetables, tins of potatoes, tins of fruit, tins of salmon/crab, fancy biscuits including shortbread, sweets and chocolate, Christmas cake (slabs are fine), chocolate logs, mince pies (NB these do not usually have a long date, so please check.) and children's selection boxes. Also, Christmas crackers, serviettes or balloons. Please give us names and addresses of anyone you know who needs a little extra cheer this Christmas.

#### **Events of the Week**

#### The Dedication of the Basilicas of Ss Peter & Paul - 18th November

The dedication of these two major basilicas allows us to express our communion with the Church in Rome. Both basilicas were completed in the 4th century and commemorated the two great Apostles



St Peter's on the Vatican Hill was built above the tomb of the first Pope and St Paul's outside the Walls was likewise erected over the final resting place of the Apostle of the Gentiles.

#### The Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary - 21st November



The Presentation of Mary in the Temple as a young girl is based not on the New Testament but on an account in the apocryphal Gospel of James. In being presented in this way, the Blessed Virgin dedicated herself to the service of God and kept herself open to God's will. The feast prepares us

for Advent and Christmas, when we celebrate the coming of her Divine Son into the world.

# St Cecilia, Virgin & Martyr - 22<sup>nd</sup> November

St Cecilia (3<sup>rd</sup> century) was a Roman martyr. Legend makes her a noblewoman who founded a church in Trastevere, Rome, and was martyred under Marcus Aurelius – when attempts to suffocate her in the bathroom failed, a headsman was sent to decapitate her. However, three strokes failed to severe her head and she lingered

on for three further days, praying and singing to God. She is mentioned in the Roman Canon and venerated as patron of music.

God Bless Fr Tony

# 17<sup>th</sup> NOVEMBER 2019 33<sup>rd</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME Cycle C for Sundays and Solemnities Year 1 for Weekdays

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# OUR LADY IMMACULATE & ST MICHAEL BATTLE with ST TERESA OF LISIEUX NORTHIAM

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#### MASSES FOR THE WEEK: SAT 16th - SUN 24th NOVEMBER 2019

SAT: 16<sup>th</sup> 6.00pm PEOPLE OF THE PARISH

SUN: 17<sup>th</sup> 9.00am DECEASED MEMBERS OF THE MURPHY FAMILY

– ST TERESA'S

10.45am DECEASED MEMBERS OF THE FINN FAMILY

- BATTLE

MON: 18th 10.00am DECEASED MEMBERS OF THE WILLIAMS

**FAMILY** 

TUES: 19th 10.00am DECEASED MEMBERS OF THE ATTALAH FAMILY

WED: 20th NO MASS

THURS: 21st 10.00am INTENTION OF KATE GRUN

10.30am-12noon ADORATION OF THE

**BLESSED SACRAMENT** 

SAT: 23<sup>rd</sup> 10.00am CELEBRANT'S INTENTION

6.00pm PEOPLE OF THE PARISH

SUN: 24th 9.00am DEREK ROBINSON, R.I.P. – ST TERESA'S

10.45am PATRICK GALVIN, R.I.P. - BATTLE

Sacrament of Reconciliation: Saturday 9.30am - 9.50am

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#### Introduction to the Scripture Readings

First Reading: Malachi 3:19-20

Harsh words for the wicked who will be left with nothing, but great consolation for those who remain faithful to God.

Second Reading: 2 Thessalonians 3:7-12

A warning to those who will not contribute in any way to the community but who offer constant criticism to all and sundry instead.

**Gospel: Luke 21:5-19** 

Nothing can compare with the glory of the Son of Man, in this world or the next. Things in heaven and hearth may pass away, but the Son of Man coming in glory will gather his own to himself in the end.

#### **Events and Feast Days This Week**

**Monday** is the memorial of the Dedication of the Basilicas of St Peter & St Paul, Apostles.

**Thursday** is the Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary.

Friday is the memorial of St Cecilia, Virgin and Martyr.

Saturday is the memorial of St Clement I, Pope, Martyr.

**Next Sunday** is the **Solemnity of Christ the Universal King** and is **National Youth Sunday**.

#### We pray for the Sick and Housebound Members of our Community:

From Our Lady Immaculate & St Michael: Margaret Thunder, Ingrid Reeves, Jean Jameson, Jo Cooper, Stephen Bould, Pauline Fraser, Dreda Mahoney, Michael Conroy, Jeanne Cogdell, Andrew Broderick-Ward, Sheila Lilley, Eileen Scott, Madeleine Salter.

*From St Teresa's:* Keith Bourne, Terry & Audrey Evans, Gerard & Joy Scothern & their family, Christine Mooney, June Nottage, Maureen Webster.

#### **Offertory**

The collection for the weekend of 9<sup>th</sup> & 10<sup>th</sup> November was £260 in Battle. Thank you all for your generosity. There is a collection today for the Catholic Maintenance Fund.

#### **Family Mass**

Next Sunday, 24<sup>th</sup> November, we celebrate the Solemnity of Christ the King and also, National Youth Sunday. There will be a Family Mass at 10.45am at Battle on this day, to celebrate these two events. It is a day we give thanks to God for Young People in the Parish.

After Mass some of our Young People and their families offer coffee and cake in the Parish Room. We hope to be able to sell a cake or two if anyone would like to make some?

#### **Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament**

During the winter months there will still be Adoration every Thursday after Mass, but it will end at 12noon instead of 1pm.

#### **Sheila Kaye Smith Society**

- The Christmas House Party will be held at the home of Pamela and Keith in Little Common 12-3pm on Saturday 7th December.
- The January meeting we will discuss poems. Enquiries 01424 426341

### Faith & Friendship Circle

The next meeting of the Faith and Friendship Circle is this Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> November 2019 at 2pm for 2.15pm, at Madeleine's house where, after our prayers, we will view an Andre Rieu DVD. Please let either Terri (01424 853384) or Christine (01424 774302) know if you plan to attend so that we can organise transport for everyone.

#### Ministers' Rotas

It is that time of year again when I need willing folk to come forward to put their names down to Minister at the Christmas Liturgies. Please let me know as soon as you can if you are able to Minister at any of these Masses. Thank you. Terri 01424 853384.

## **APF Mill Hill - Red Boxes: Battle**

I am now undertaking the annual return when we ask all Battle holders to hand in their box at Church to be emptied, in order that I can compete our annual return. Please can you bring your box into Mass by the end of November and hand it to Fr Tony or myself. If anyone has difficulty bringing in their box, please me know and I will collect it. Many thanks Suzanne.

#### **Christmas Giving Trees**

This year we will again be giving out little Giving Tree cards. At each Mass this weekend 16<sup>th</sup>/17<sup>th</sup> November, you will be invited to take a little tree and make or buy the item written on the back. This can then be put in the special collecting box at the back of the Church (unwrapped please), and all the gifts will be taken down to the SVP in St Leonards to distribute to the needy in time for Christmas. The last day for donating gifts will be *Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> December*.

# Rwanda Aid Christmas Cards & Craft

Thank you so much to all the parishioners who supported the Christmas card and craft sales for Rwanda Aid. Sally took £250 which is a marvellous total. Your generosity helps to support the widows and orphans from the 1994 Genocide who make the cards and craft. Visit www.rwanda-aid.org to find out more about the work of Rwanda Aid and to use our online shop.