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The Rev's Ramblings

I must remember in sermons to practise what I preach! I don't always get it right. Sometimes preachers preach most about the things they need to hear themselves!

Thankfully, Jesus practised what he preached, and didn't speak from a position of inexperience.

When Jesus spoke about being blessed if we are "poor in spirit", he wasn't talking about being financially poor, but recognising our need for God rather than relying on our own abilities.
Jesus knew what it meant to depend on his heavenly Father.

When he spoke about those who suffer for pursuing righteousness, he knew what that could cost.
When he said, "Blessed are those who mourn, for they will be comforted", these weren't just nice words from someone who had never experienced loss.

We don't know what happened to Jesus' earthly father, Joseph. Perhaps Jesus knew the pain of bereavement himself.

We do know that when his friend Lazarus died, Jesus was deeply moved. The Biblical Greek suggests an emotion so powerful it can be described as snorting like an angry horse!
Jesus wasn't detached from human grief; he felt it deeply.

But Jesus knew that death would not have the final word.

So, as we remember our loved ones at this time, we can take comfort in knowing that Jesus understands our sorrow. His promise of comfort isn't shallow sentiment, but comes from a heart that knows both grief and the hope of resurrection.

Jesus shares our grief, so that one day we may share his joy.

Prayer focus this week

Pray for good community relationships between different religions and cultures.

Locally pray for our local Ambulance and Paramedic Service.

This week's other News

Dates for your Diary

The Lectio Course – Final Session
Friday 6th November at 2:00pm-3:30pm
At Grovehill Church hall

Tuesdays 3rd,10th,17th November at 7:30pm
Confirmation Preparation
In church hall and Zoom option.

Saturday 7th November 9am-12noon
Gardening at church gardens.
PLEASE COME AND HELP IF YOU CAN.

Saturday 14th November 10am to 1pm
Christmas Fayre
At St Alban's Church, Warners End. See poster.

Saturday 14th November at 6pm
Quiz Night in the Community Centre.
Sign-Up sheet and tickets available in church
Card reader available in church. See poster.

Sunday 22nd November at 6:30pm
Confirmation Service
with Bishop Richard Atkinson.
At St John's Church, Boxmoor

Saturday 28th November at 6pm
Film Night in church.

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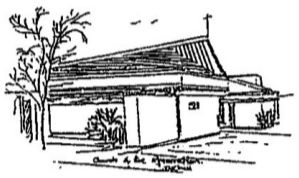

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SERVICES AND EVENTS DURING THE WEEK

SUNDAY 1st November – All Saints' and All Souls' Day

9:00am	CATHOLIC MASS IN CHURCH
11:15am	CANDLE LIGHTING and REMEMBRANCE SERVICE with JUNIOR CHURCH and ON FACEBOOK Followed by Quiet Communion at 12:40pm approx.
Reading this week:	Gospel Reading: Matthew 5.1-12
12noon	REFRESHMENTS AFTER THE SERVICE
3:30pm-4:30pm	CAUSEWAY CHURCH - PARTY & WORSHIP IN CHURCH
6:00pm-8:00pm	ROMANIAN CHURCH SERVICE IN CHURCH

MONDAY to FRIDAY

9:30pm - NIGHT PRAYER ON ZOOM*

TUESDAY and FRIDAY

9:00am - MORNING PRAYER ON ZOOM*

TUESDAY 3rd November

9:15am-11:35am	DACORUM COMMUNITY CHOIR IN CHURCH
10:00am-12noon	CATHOLIC DISCUSSION GROUP IN CHURCH HALL
2:00pm-4:00pm	JCC DISCUSSION IN CHURCH HALL
7:30pm-9:00pm	CONFIRMATION PREPARATION IN CHURCH HALL and ZOOM* option.

WEDNESDAY 4th November

12noon-1:00pm LADIES' BIBLE STUDY ON ZOOM

THURSDAY 5th November

9:30am-11:00am	CATHOLIC MASS IN CHURCH
1:00pm-2:45pm	STICKY FINGERS TODDLER CHURCH IN CHURCH HALL

FRIDAY 6th November

2:00pm-3:30pm	THE LECTIO COURSE – FINAL SESSION AT GROVEHILL CHURCH HALL
7:30pm-9:00pm	CHURCH WARDENS MEETING IN CHURCH HALL

SATURDAY 7th November

9:00am–12 noon	GARDENING AT CHURCH GARDENS – PLEASE COME AND HELP IF YOU CAN
10:00am-12noon	DRINKS & DUNKABLES IN CHURCH HALL

Next SUNDAY 8th November – Remembrance Sunday

9:00am	CATHOLIC MASS IN CHURCH
11:15am	ALL AGE SERVICE and ON FACEBOOK **Please arrive before 11:05am for the 2-minute silence at 11:15am** Followed by Quiet Communion at 12:40pm approx.
6:00pm-8:00pm	ROMANIAN CHURCH SERVICE IN CHURCH

* For all Zoom events, please send an email to revaustin@sky.com to receive an invite

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