

ALL SAINTS/ COMMUNION OF SAINTS: Christ is THE SAINT, THE HOLY ONE OF GOD, whose holy gifts of love and life to those who receive the sacraments worthily give the faithful a share in his holiness or sanctity and unites each of them to Him and to each other. Our communion with Christ is imperfect on earth; those who die in perfect holiness or who are purified and made perfect in Purgatory are the perfect communion of saints, enjoying the beatific or blessed vision of Christ in heaven for all eternity.

NOVEMBER DEAD LIST: In November, we pray for the Holy Souls, including through Masses for the repose of the souls of those on the November Dead List, for whom at least 15 Masses will be in November. Envelopes available to you, to write the names of deceased family or other members of the faithful departed, should be returned by 1st November. Their names will be kept in the sanctuary and in a special book in this month.

PLENARY INDULGENCE, APPLICABLE TO THE HOLY SOULS: An indulgence is a special act of God's grace in His mercy, made to someone who has confessed their sins, been absolved, received holy communion worthily, and who has prayed the prayers or performed the action required for the particular indulgence. Receiving the indulgence or, in this case its application to one of the Holy Souls, depends upon the person's seeking the indulgence being clearly separated from sin (absolution removes the 'eternal punishment due to sin') and maintained in their conduct. Its value is in reducing (partial indulgence) or removing (plenary or complete indulgence) what they still need to do, to make up (make reparation) for their sins and the harm their sins have done (reducing or removing the so-called 'temporal punishment due to sin'). It can be gained for, or be made applicable to, the Holy Souls (to which of them is God's decision alone, not our choice). It can be gained as a plenary indulgence, if the above conditions are met and if the person seeking it prays the Our Father and the Creed in a church on All Souls' Day or by praying for the Holy Souls, even just mentally, in a cemetery on any day between 1st and 8th November inclusive (but only once a day); or, for the remainder of November, as a partial indulgence. **Eternal rest, grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May they rest in peace. Amen.**

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Day	Date	Time	Place	Liturgical Calendar	Ex. 22:20-26; 1 Thess. 30 th Sunday of Ordinary Time -A	1:5-10; Mt. 22:34-40. p. 676.
						Mass intention
Sat.	28	6.00pm	SK	Vigil		James Selby - ill
Sun.	29	9.00am	SP			Fr. Bill Ellis, RIP
		11.00am	SK			People of the Parish
		3.15pm	SK	(Polish)		
Mon.	30	10.00am	SK	Feria		Les Turek, RIP
Tues.	31	10.00am	SK	Feria		Alice Atkinson's ints.
		7.00pm	SP			Sr. Helena O'Keefe, RIP
Wed.	1 Nov	10.00am	SK	All Saints' Day		People of the Parish p. 1030
		12.00noon	SP	Holyday of obligation		November Dead List
		7.00pm	SK			November Dead List
Thurs.	2	10.00am	SK	All Souls' Day		Holy Souls p. 1035
		12.00noon	SP			Holy Father's ints. p. 1040
		7.00pm	SK			November Dead List p. 1041
Fri.	3	6.00pm	SK	St. Martin de Porres		Maureen Davis - ill
Sat.	4			St. Charles Borromeo		
		6.00pm	SK	Vigil		Aaron Bell, RIP
Sun.	5	9.00am	SP	31 st Sunday of Ordinary Time - A		People of the Parish
		11.00am	SK			November Dead List
		3.15pm	SK	(Polish)		

PLEASE PRAY FOR: Peter Stevens, Ryan Rhodes, Alan Rush, Gwen Rigby, Janet, Michael Faulks, Kevin Colley, and all who are sick, and for Rose Bell, Les Turek, Aaron Bell and Tasnee Draviliset, who have died; may they rest in peace. The **FUNERAL:** of Les Turek will take place from Our Lady of Victories, Market Harborough, 13th November, at 12.00 noon.

DAY OF FASTING OR OTHER PENANCE FOR GAZA – ISRAEL: The Pope asked for last Friday to be a day of fasting or other penance for peace in Gaza and Israel, but the word only came through in the course of the week. Perhaps, we could do something special this Friday (3rd Nov.).

APOSTOLIC EXHORTATION, ‘C’est la confiance’, on ‘Confidence in the love of God’, issued by Pope Francis on 15th October (feast of St. Teresa of Avila), is issued for the 150th anniversary of the birth of St. Theresa of Lisieux, the Little Flower. It commends her trust, humility and simplicity of seeking the joy of heaven in the ordinary events of life everyday, in the great vocation of love, not just for her own fulfilment, but also through her burning desire for the salvation of all God’s people.

MARBLE AMBO FOR SACRED HEART CHURCH: The proposed plan for an ambo in marble, matching the marble of the altar, to replace the wooden lectern is being examined by Ormsby of Scarisbrick, who will have some information for us in the near future, following their enquiries.

CHURCH ROOF AT SACRED HEART: This work will take about a month and has already begun this week. Masses will be in the Hall in these weeks. Thank you all very much for your help and cooperation. Please, ensure that no-one enters the inner car-park at sacred Heart during his time.

SYNOD OF BISHOPS: we pray that its deliberations may help the Church to fulfil its mission more effectively.

TEAS AND COFFEES AFTER MASS on Sundays in Spilsby, but ***NOT in Sacred Heart Hall until work on the church is finished.*** **GIFT AID:** This is a way for us to earn extra money on your offerings – it’s free money from the government. For every 31 you donate, we can claim back 25p from the government. This money is of crucial importance because it goes towards the running costs of both churches (health and safety expenditure, maintenance, gas and electricity have all increased). We were able to claim back £5,763 in 2021. If you work or have a pension on which you pay income tax and if you haven’t yet signed up for Gift Aid, then please think

about it, and sign up today. There are forms at the back of the church for you to fill in and return to Jacinta or to me. If you want to discuss this first, then talk to Jacinta or e-mail her on jacintalewis21@aol.com. **FOOD BANKS:** in Spilsby and at Sacred Heart (via The Storehouse, Skegness) for those in need; tinned food, other NON-PERISHABLE items and toiletries welcome. Thank you.

TALKS ON THE FAITH: in preparation for the Holy Year of 2025 resume – on the Church (mystery of the Church, People of God, the hierarchy (Pope and Bishops), the Laity, the Call to Holiness, the Consecrated Life, the Pilgrim Church (Last Things), Our Lady), Mon. 10.45 – 11.45 am (SK), Thurs. 12.00 – 1.00pm (SP) from 2nd Oct. – 30th Nov. No meeting this week in Spilsby (Thurs. is All Souls’ Day). As agreed, we shall use the Compendium of the Catechism, giving brief summaries on key aspects of our faith, looking at the Church and its mission before Christmas and at the life of the disciple after Christmas. Arrangements for Advent and Christmastide were agreed – details later. For liturgical ministries, also to re-establish or to renew these from the start of Advent, there will need also to be training.

CHANGE OF CLOCKS: Clocks go BACK by one hour between Sat. 28th and Sun. 29th October.

COLLECTION:	Skegness	Spilsby	Total	INCOME 22nd Oct., 2023.
Gift Aid:	£ 10-00	£ 90-00	£100-00	
Loose:	£224-90	£ 44-40	£269-30	
Total:	£234-90	£134-40	£369-30	= £369-30.
OTHER: Repository:	£			
Mass offerings:	£ 20-00			
Total:	£ 20-00			= £ 20-00.
			Overall total:	= £389-30.

Many thanks. Fr. G.J. Woodall.