

ST PATRICK'S CHURCH, Brockworth

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SUNDAY MASS:

9.00am

Wayne Barnett RIP {from Sister Gabriel

WEEKDAY MASSES:

Monday NO MASS
Tuesday 9.15am
Wednesday NO MASS
Thursday 9.15am
Friday NO MASS
Saturday NO MASS

St Martin of Tours

Phyllis Kent RIP

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Danny & Dean Barnett

CONFESSIONS: after Mass upon Request.

TODAY is Remembrance Sunday when we remember in our prayers all those men and women who gave their lives during the two great world wars of the last century AND on active service since. *"Eternal Rest Grant unto them, O Lord, and let Eternal Light shine upon them."* Amen!

NOVEMBER is traditionally known as the month of the **HOLY SOULS** when we remember particularly in our prayers all our relatives and friends who have died. Each day during this month Holy Mass will be offered for the repose of their souls. On the table at the entrance to the church you will find a special envelope for your specific Mass Intentions. If you wish you may write or list by name your particular Intentions and place them in the sealed envelope which should then be placed in the basket provided OR handed into the Sacristy or through the letter-box of the Presbytery. These envelopes will then be placed in front of the altar during Holy Mass throughout the coming month and a Memorial Candle lit.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION 2026. The Preparation programme starts on 6th January at 6.00pm in the Hall. Application Forms can be collected from the Sacristy after all Masses. First Holy Communion Day will be on the 10th May 2026.

St Patrick's Christmas Fayre takes place on Saturday 22nd November; please share the date with family and friends. If you can help on the day, please sign the list at the fayre display stand in the narthex. Bottles are welcomed for our tombola and cakes requested to sell on the day. See Ruth, Jo or Maria for further information.

Christmas Fundraising Events: Tickets for St Patrick's Annual Christmas Raffle will be handed out after Mass today to sell family and friends. Monies and raffle ticket stubs will be collected each Sunday until 16th November. Un-sold tickets can be dropped into the box on the Narthex. The draw will be at our Christmas Fayre on Saturday 22nd November.

Ruth and her team would love some help to make this year's Christmas Craft Fayre go with a swing so please sign up if you can assist in any way on the day. The following donations would also be welcome: bottles, good as new

items, Christmas food items; these can be left in the box in the narthex. On the day of the Fayre we need items to sell on our cake stall so please start baking soon!

There are details about this year's **Christmas Bake-off competition** on the poster in the corridor; we look forward to seeing and tasting some more delicious cakes from all the talented bakers in our parish!

APPEAL: Our Church Redecoration Appeal has now reached just over £4,000 towards our first target of £10,000; thank you to all who have kindly donated so far. We need to be completely self-sufficient in the maintenance of our church so if you are able to help us the ways you can donate to the appeal can be found on the notice-board in the narthex; alternatively speak to Deacon Barry after Mass. The Parish Finance Committee have decided to approach the redecoration using a phased approach so it is hoped that work will begin on the sanctuary wall early in the New Year. If any of our parishioners have experience with larger scale capital fundraising or could help with grant applications for future projects please could you make yourself known to Deacon Barry or Jo Taylor.

LOTTERY: There are details of winners of un-claimed lottery prizes from August and October on the lottery stand noticeboard in the narthex; prize money can be collected from the sacristy.

St Patrick's Carol Evening. This year's Carol Evening at St. Patrick's will be held on Saturday the 6th of December. The event will begin at 6.00pm in the Church and will be followed by mince pies and mulled wine in the Hall. **And it's Free!** If you would like to take part, or help us put the evening together, please speak to one of the Deacons or to any member of the choir/music group. Practices will be taking place on Tuesday evenings beginning on the 28th of October. Last year's inaugural event was very successful, and we would really like to build on that success. In particular we would like to get the children and young people of the parish more involved. If your child is interested, please speak to us.