SAINT PAUL'S CHURCH
Coven, Staffordshire

A parish of the Church of England
Diocese of Lichfield under the pastoral and sacramental care of the Bishop of Oswestry

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THE SOLEMNITY OF ALL SAINTS
with a Commemoration of the Faithful Departed
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As we celebrate the feast of All Saints, so we remember also all those we love but see no longer, praying that with them we too may be joined to the great company before the throne of God in heaven.

312	Ye watchers and ye holy ones
296	For all the saints, who from their labours rest
298	For all thy saints, O Lord
826	Ye holy angels bright

The commemoration of the departed takes place before the blessing. As the names are read, you are invited to light a candle at the stand. These prayers follow:

This is the will of him that sent me, that I should lose nothing of all that he has given me,
and I will raise them up at the last day.

Lord God, creator of all, you have made us creatures of this earth, but have also promised us a share in life eternal. According to your promises, may all who have died in the peace of Christ come with your saints to the joys of your kingdom, where there will be neither sorrow nor pain, but life everlasting. **Amen.**

Grant to us, Lord God, to trust you not for ourselves alone, but for those also whom we love and who are hidden from us by the shadow of death; that, as we believe your power to have raised our Lord Jesus Christ from the dead, so may we trust your love to give eternal life to all who believe in him; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

NOTICES

Welcome to Saint Paul's. This morning's service can be followed in the green booklets you were given as you came in, with hymns from the red hymn book. A collection will be taken during the second hymn.

This week at Saint Paul's:
Said Mass, Wednesday, 10.30am.
Special choir, Tuesday, 7.00pm in church.
Coffee pop-in, Saturday, 10.30am.

Today is **All Saints Day**, and we will commemorate the departed at our morning service. Next Sunday will be **Remembrance Sunday**, when our service takes place at 9.30am, followed by the ceremonies at the Memorial.

Penkridge Deanery Synod, Wednesday 11 November, 7.00pm at All Saints, Bednall.

Quiz Night, Friday 27 November, 7.00pm: tickets £6.00 from Jan Carr. Donations of raffle prizes welcome.

We pray for the sick: Pauline Appleby, Kathryn Campbell, Karen Jones, Fr Frank Kirby, Ethan, Gem, Mick, Monica, Nikki, Tim; for the recently departed; and for those whose anniversaries occur this week: Peter Jojic, Patricia Macham, Harold Sankey, Frederic Cole, Gordon Chalmers, Gerald Ireson, Susan Walley, Beryl Perry.

Saint Paul's, like any parish of the Church of England, relies on the generosity of those who worship here. Please leave your offering on the plate or donate by bank transfer to: St Paul's Parochial Church Council, Coven, AC 02115540, Sort code 30-99-83. Remember, your giving goes even further at no cost to you if you complete a **Gift Aid declaration.**

DAILY BIBLE READINGS
Thirty-first Week in Ordinary Time

Monday	Isaiah 25.6-9
All Souls Day	John 6.35-40
Tuesday	Philippians 2.5-11
Weekday	Luke 14.15-24
Wednesday	Philippians 2.12-18
Saint Charles Borromeo	Luke 14.35-33
Thursday	Philippians 3.3-8
Feria	Luke 15.1-10
Friday	Philippians 3.17-4.1
Weekday	Luke 16.1-8
Saturday	Philippians 4.10-19
Saint Willibrord	Luke 16.9-15
Next Sunday	Wisdom 3.1-9*; Romans 5.1-11
Remembrance Sunday	John 11.21-27
32nd in Ordinary Time	* *from the Apocrypha*