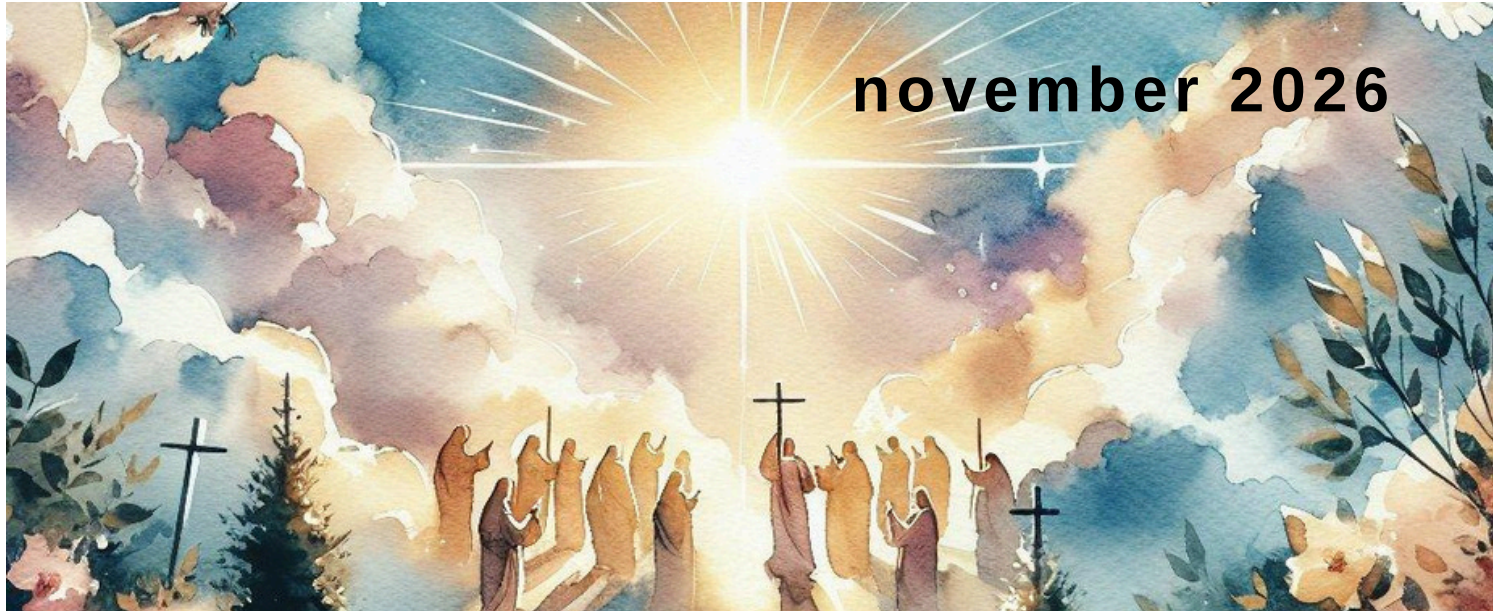




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EDITORIAL

November: A Month of Hope

The month of November begins with two celebrations that are particularly meaningful to us.

On 1 November, All Saints' Day reminds us that each of us is called to become a saint, not by doing extraordinary things, but by showing our love for God and others through simple, everyday actions.

The following day, All Souls' Day, we pray for those who have died. Their absence leaves a great emptiness in our lives, but our faith invites us to look beyond death. We believe that life does not end with death; we believe that God calls us to live with Him. On this day, we entrust those we have loved to the Lord's mercy and turn to Mary, whom we invoke as the Gate of Heaven. She leads us to Jesus, her Son, who has conquered death and accompanies us on the path to eternal life. With her, we hold on to the hope that one day we shall be reunited in God's presence.

On 6 November, we celebrate Saint Leonard, who is especially venerated and invoked in our region. A hermit and patron saint of prisoners, he has been called upon by many faithful people seeking freedom for those held captive. His example invites us to remember all those who today experience different forms of imprisonment or loss of freedom, whether physical or spiritual, and to pray for them.

On 9 November, we celebrate the Dedication of the Lateran Basilica, the Pope's cathedral. The Church is one great family, united around the successor of Saint Peter. The recent visit of Pope Leo XIV to France was an opportunity to rediscover the bond that unites us and the role of the Pope within the Church.

On 11 November, Saint Martin offers us a beautiful example of generosity: he recognises Christ in a poor man and shares his cloak with him. On this day when we commemorate the Armistice, his gesture reminds us that peace is built through concrete acts of kindness.

On 21 November, the Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary reminds us of her trust in God and her willingness to follow His will. She teaches us to keep our eyes fixed on God and to move forward in hope.

On 22 November, the Feast of Christ the King brings the liturgical year to a close. To acknowledge Christ as our King means giving Him a place in our lives, our decisions and our relationships. His Kingdom begins whenever love overcomes hatred, forgiveness triumphs over resentment, and we choose to do what is good.

Then, on 29 November, the First Sunday of Advent marks the beginning of a new liturgical year. Once again, we set out on our journey towards Christmas, invited to remain watchful and prepare our hearts to welcome the Lord.

Father Grégoire

Mass Times on Sundays

• Saturday, 31 october– 6:00 p.m.	ROYERE DE VASSIVIERE
• Sunday, 1 november– 11:00 am.	BOURGANEUF
• Saturday, 7 november– 6:00 p.m.	PONTARION
• Sunday, 8 november– 11:00 am.	BOURGANEUF
• Saturday, 14 november – 6:00 p.m.	MONTBOUCHER
• Sunday, 15 novemner– 11:00 am.	BOURGANEUF
• Saturday, 22 november– 6:00 p.m.	ST DIZIER LEYRENNE
• Sunday, 23 november– 11:00 am.	BOURGANEUF
• Saturday, 28 november- 6:00 p.m	MONTEIL AU VICOMTE
• Sunday, 29 november - 11:00 am.	BOURGANEUF

Christmas is Coming... and Voices Are Joining in Harmony!

There is already a little hint of Christmas in the air at our parish of Saint-Jean-en-Limousin!

A new choir has recently begun to make its first joyful sounds. This lovely project brings parishioners together with one shared wish: to sing together in preparation for Christmas.

At the first rehearsal, voices came together for the first time, melodies came back to life, and there were smiles all around! Some carols were familiar, while others still needed a little practice... but that didn't matter! What mattered most was the pleasure of singing and the joy of being together.

The programme will consist entirely of Christmas carols, both well-known and less familiar, which will accompany our celebrations and help us enter into the joy of the Nativity.

But this choir is about much more than music. It is also a wonderful opportunity to build friendships, share moments of fellowship and bring our parish community together in a different way.

Why not come and add your voice to ours? There is no need to be able to read music or have an exceptional singing voice. All you need is a love of singing and the desire to share in this wonderful adventure!

Rehearsals take place every Friday at 6 pm in the parish hall in Bourganeuf.

So don't hesitate — come and join us! The more voices we have, the more joyfully Christmas will resound throughout our church!

And we hope that this choir will continue to flourish, bringing music and joy to our celebrations throughout the year.

Rosy



Weekday masses

• Monday, 2 november - 6:00 p.m	BOURGANEUF
• Tuesday, 3 november – 6:00 p.m	MONTEIL AU VICOMTE
• Wednesday, 4 november –. 6:00 p.m	ST PARDOUX MORTEROLLES
• Thursday, 5 november –. 6:00 p.m	CHAPELLE ST MARTIAL
• Tuesday, 10 novem ber–. 6:00 p.m	ST AMAND JARTOUDEIX
• Thursday, 12 november –. 6:00 p.m	ST PIERRE BELLEVUE

Mass times at the Oratory

Wednesdays at 6:00 p.m. and Fridays at 9:00 a.m.

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament at the presbytery: please contact Father Grégoire.

Parish office hours at the presbytery:

Monday morning from 9:00 am to 11:30 am.

You can meet Father Grégoire by appointment

Parish Schedule – november

- 3 November **CCP Meeting** – 8 pm
- 5 November **EAP Meeting** – 8 pm
- 6 November **Divine Mercy Chaplet** – First Friday of the month, 3 pm, Saint-Hilaire-le-Château
- 8 November **Maison du Semeur** Gathering – Second Sunday of the month, 9 am
- 10 November **Liturgical** Teams Meeting – 10 am
- 12 November **Catechumenate** Meeting – 8 pm
- 13 November **MRC** Meeting – 2.30 pm
- 25 November **Lectio Divina** – 7.30 pm
- 26 November **Mass in honour of Saint Geneviève, Patron Saint of the Gendarmerie** 10.30 am, Bourganeuf Church
- 26 November **CCP and EAP** Joint Meeting – 8 pm

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Funerals

Montboucher

12 October Odette Bourrique, aged 74

16 October Denise Pénicaud, aged 88

Soubrebost

29 September Gérard Rapaud, aged 74

Royère-de-Vassivière

22 October Jeanne Chapoutaud, aged 93

Pontarion

19 October Marcelle Sabattery, aged 83

Saint-Hilaire-le-Château

22 October Manuel Tomas, aged 75

Saint-Martin-Sainte-Catherine

24 October Simonne Lyraud, aged 95