

# St. William of York R.C. Church



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Mass – Sunday  
Sat 5.30pm (1<sup>st</sup> Mass of Sunday)  
Sun 8am & 10am  
Weekdays  
Mass Monday, Tuesday & Wednesday 9.30am  
Thursday as announced  
Friday 7pm  
Confessions Saturday 10.30am and on call

32<sup>nd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

6/7 November 2021

Saturday 6th November

5.30pm Maria & George D'Souza  
Intention

Sunday 7th November  
32<sup>nd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

8am Ann O'Grady RIP

10am Mary Quinlin RIP

Monday 8th November

9.30am Bertha Fernandes RIP

Tuesday 9th November  
Dedication of the Lateran Basilica

9.30am The Faithful Departed

Wednesday 10th November  
St Leo the Great, Pope & Doctor

9.30am Kwok Keung Tsui RIP  
(Anniv)

Thursday 11th November  
St Martin of Tours, Bishop

NO LITURGY

Friday 12<sup>th</sup> November  
St Josaphat, Bishop & Martyr

7pm Carey Intention

Saturday 13th November

5.30pm Curran & Melvin Family  
(deceased)

Sunday 14th November  
33<sup>rd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

8am Divine Protection  
(Miriam)

10am The Faithful Departed

## The Scriptures this weekend

Saint Pope John Paul II in his ministry as Pope often spoke and preached about the 'law of the gift'. He said: 'our being increases in the measure that we give it away' In the first reading the poor widow, preparing with her son for death, hears the request of Elijah the prophet. In our limited human perception- Elijah is taking her last morsel, but the 'law of gift' eventually means that God provides enough (plus). In the gospel the rich with their plenty loudly drop their money into the temple treasury. Jesus notices the two small coins of the widow- contributing 'all she had to live on'. There is a profound mixture here of trust and 'holy risk'. Living our lives under the law of the gift- gives us an enormous freedom. Yes, everything for Jesus, daily, means that we receive the rich reward of his grace. (Father Michael)

## SYNOD: walking together and listening

Last weekend we heard a little more about the Pope's invitation to the whole Catholic world to 'listen and share' about our faith in the times we live and the challenges we face. There will be two opportunities for parishioners to meet in the spirit of SYNOD. Both will be after Mass and EVERYONE is welcome. Meeting 1 - will be **after the 5.30pm Mass on Saturday 13 November**; if you attend this Mass please come prepared to stay on for a time of reflection afterwards. Meeting 2 - this will take place **after the 10am Mass on Sunday 22 November**. Again, if you will be at that Mass, please join in the SYNOD sharing.

## Preparing to Listen from the Heart

'Synodal dialogue' depends on courage both in speaking and in listening. It is not about debate, but about discerning what the Spirit of God may be saying. Discernment is the attitude of people who believe that God is always present and active in the details of our lives. It relies on the conviction that he will reveal his plans and purposes to us if we make an effort to be attentive. It begins with listening.

## The month of November – remembering the faithful departed

November is a deeply Catholic month. It starts with the feast of ALL SAINTS; that day when we remember and honour, not only the officially canonised saints in the Church's calendar – but also the vast army of 'anonymous' saints. We have all known and met saints. They include family members

and relatives, friends and loved ones, neighbours and parishioners, clergy and others; those many good people of all ages who, having completed their time on earth, have now taken their place in the heavenly kingdom. We turn to them in our daily lives and they are able to accompany us. The whole remaining month of November is dedicated to **the faithful departed** who are still, after death, completing their journey into the full presence of God. On November 2<sup>nd</sup> – we keep **ALL SOULS DAY** and begin a month of masses for our remembered dead. Our long Catholic tradition gives us an opportunity to prepare our HOLY SOULS LISTS. We have our customary ‘lists’ available and envelopes - at the door of the church. Please write down the names of your departed. Place the list and offering in the HOLY SOULS envelope. There is a special basket for the envelopes. Through the month of November Masses will be offered for the names on our parish HOLY SOULS lists.

### **Clamp Hill: the blessing of graves**

During the month of November, we pray for our deceased family and friends. The remembrance and blessing of graves at Clamp Hill will take place on Sunday 14 November at 2.30pm.

### **Betty Fernandes RIP**

Before the lockdowns, Betty was always at the Saturday 5.30pm Mass; a very loyal and supportive parishioner. Her funeral will take place on Friday 19 November at 11.30am. May she rest in peace and rise in glory.

### **Sick and retired priests**

This diocesan collection usually takes place at this time of the year. There are special envelopes for those who wish to contribute. Please simply drop them in the normal weekend collection bags. Thank you so much.

### **COP26!**

The UK will host the 26<sup>th</sup> UN Climate Change Conference of the parties in Glasgow (31 October-12 November). This is a ‘global’ event coming a few years after the Paris Conference - with countries, alliances and other platforms trying to seriously tackle the issue of global warming and other issues. Clearly - time is running out on many of the items our sick and toxic world is facing. BIG changes are needed - for the health of the planet and for the survival of the human race. This is something for all of us to confront. There are special prayer cards for the COP26 available after Mass after Mass today.

### **November Tuesday Remembrance**

Our Tuesday 9.30am Mass during the month of November will be an opportunity to remember those who have died recently- in addition to our ‘Holy Souls’ Masses throughout.

### **Flooring Works Update – Tony Murphy**

Tests continue to ascertain the source of the water to the void by the Sacristy door, which is causing concern. This is a setback and the dates previously given will not now be met. Further meetings with the specialist engineers and the contractor are planned, with further details to follow.

### **Readers Rota**

<u>6 November 5.30pm</u>	Lily Meghji	<u>7 November 8am</u>	Audrey Da Costa
<u>7 November 10am</u>	Readings Ray & Alex Kulanthai Bidding prayers Monika Tabarrok		
<u>13 November 5.30pm</u>	John McIntyre	<u>14 November 8am</u>	Georgina Martins
<u>14 November 10am</u>	Readings Aude & Eduardo Bidding prayers Tim & Mel Goodger		

### **Counters Rota**

<u>7 November</u>	Richard Wong, Pearly Jesuthasan
<u>14 November</u>	Amal Graham, Patricia Cleary, Marcello Borgese