

St. William of York Catholic Church



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MASS TIMES
Sunday
8.00 am & 10.00 am
Weekdays
Monday, Tuesday & Wednesday 9.30am
Thursday No Mass
Friday 7.00 pm
Saturday 5.30 pm (Vigil of Sunday)
Confessions on Saturdays 4.30-5.15pm in church or by personal arrangement with Fr Jonathan

33rd Sunday of Ordinary Time

12/13 November 2022

Saturday 12 November

4.30-5.15 **Confessions**
5.30 **Vigil Mass** of Sunday
Noreen Burke

SUNDAY 13 November

33rd SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME
(Year C) **Remembrance Sunday**
[Daily Office Psalter wk 1]
8.00 **Requiem Mass** (Readings of the Sunday) Ann O'Grady RIP
10.00 **Parish Mass** and **Angelus**
People of the Parish
1.00pm **Baptism** of
Noah Lomas-Santander
2.30 **Blessing of Graves** at Clamp Hill

Monday 14 November

Feria 33rd Week of the Year
9.30 **Mass** For the Faithful Departed
11.00 **Funeral Mass** for Tom Enright

Tuesday 15 November

Feria 33rd Week of the Year
9.30 **Mass** For the Faithful Departed

Wednesday 16 November

St Edmund of Abingdon, Memorial
9.30 **Mass** For the Faithful Departed

Thursday 17 November

Feria 33rd Week of the Year
No Mass day

Friday 18 November

Feria 33rd Week of the Year
7.00pm **Mass** For the Faithful Departed

Saturday 19 November

Feria 33rd Week of the Year
No morning Mass
4.30-5.15 **Confessions**
5.30 **Vigil Mass** of Sunday
Nora Kilroy RIP

SUNDAY 20 November

Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe
[Daily Office Psalter wk 2]
8.00 **Mass** Alec & Kay Moody (Thanksgiving)
10.00 **Parish Mass** and **Angelus**
People of the Parish

WELCOME to all at Mass today and a big welcome back if you have not been to Mass for a while due to the Covid restrictions. You are very welcome, and we are pleased to see you.

IMPORTANT NOTICE Church Heating Following the recent Parish Finance Committee report, an unexpected complication has arisen with the discovery of a small amount of asbestos waste in the Boiler Room (despite previous removal works undertaken over 25 years ago). Disappointingly this will add a delay to the work on the heating system and parishioners are advised that they should consider wrapping up warmer for Mass for the coming few weeks. Further updates will follow.

PREPARATION BEFORE MASS –ALMIGHTY GOD, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hidden; cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy name; through Christ our Lord. Amen. Until the bell at the start of Mass, please keep silent prayer.

ANGELUS AT THE END OF MASS before the final hymn

The angel of the Lord declared unto Mary. **And she conceived by the Holy Spirit.** Hail Mary ...

Behold the handmaid of the Lord. **Be it done unto me according to Thy word.**

Hail Mary...

And the Word was made Flesh. **And dwelt among us.** Hail Mary...

Pray for us, holy Mother of God. **That we may be made worthy of the promises of Christ.** *If you've learned it, please join in the Final Prayer.*

AFTER THE 10am MASS ... refreshments (often cakes!) and chance to connect in the Parish Hall. Everyone is very welcome.

33rd SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME

The Order of Mass can be followed in the red Parish Mass Book -- first from p.7– then after the Bidding Prayers, from p.15, and from the Lord's Prayer, p.56. (New Mass cards, far simpler to follow, are in preparation.) The Readings for today's Mass are to be found in the red Parish Mass Book on pp.164–66
The psalm response is: **The Lord comes to rule the peoples with fairness.**

We have been living in anxious times for some while now. The immediate future is highly unpredictable. Here in the UK this anxiety is increased by our apparently broken political system. Europe as well as the Middle East is a theatre of war and intensifying economic problems. The migrant and climate crises are reaching catastrophic proportions. Multiple challenges; few answers; little action. But even a cursory look at history reveals that things have at times been worse: two world conflicts, the French Revolution and the Napoleonic wars, the Crusades, and the list goes on. The situation was not

much better in the days of Jesus. Jesus spoke quite frequently about the 'end times' and God's day of judgement. And yet He refused to be specific about times. He advised calm and confidence in His disciples *rooted in their faith*. And that summons to keep our nerve and *to lean on our faith* is as relevant in our generation as it was in Jesus' own. As the liturgical year closes the Church focuses our attention on that distant horizon of the end of our age. We are to take inspiration both from our *conviction* that the priorities and attitudes of the kingdom of God are integral to our witness now, and from the *assurance* that God *will act*, and Christ will return in His own good time.

First Reading (OT): Malachi 3.19–20 Some people focus on a consoling image of God, on the loving, compassionate and merciful characteristics which He no doubt possesses. The image of God presented by the prophet Malachi, which turns up frequently in the old testament, can seem harsh and menacing. And yet there is a consoling message – that for those who hold God's Name in awe and respect, salvation will be theirs.

Second Reading (NT): 2 Thessalonians 3.7–12 The phrase 'He who does not work, neither shall he eat' was quoted in Article 12 of the 1936 Soviet Constitution! Our society also believes that only those who work have a *right* to be rewarded. The principle also applied in the early Christian community, though it was understood differently. Some senior members of the community *chose* not to work, and to live off the work of others. This was not to happen. Paul was proud of the fact that, as a tent-maker, he always earned his keep. No matter what rank one held or what office one occupies, this was to apply to all members of the community.

Gospel: Luke 21.5–19 Given that it did not survive the destruction of Jerusalem by the Romans in AD 70, we do not know whether or not the Temple was an architectural wonder, but Jesus focused on its purpose and meaning in the lives of the people rather than on its beauty.

Thank you to everyone who donated to the **Sick & Retired Priests'** collection last weekend. God bless you for your kindness. *If you haven't had the chance to make your donation, there are some envelopes in the Narthex, or you can donate on the Diocesan website or using the 'QR Code'.*

Blessing of Graves at Clamp Hill takes place **today** from 2.30 pm. It begins with a short act of worship followed by individual blessing of graves by the priests who are there.

Tomorrow at 11.00am Funeral Mass for Tom Enright. Any who knew Tom and want to support Betty in prayer are most welcome.

Next Sunday is Christ the King, and Fr Jonathan will be making a few days' retreat before Advent. **Fr Guy Sawyer** will celebrate the Vigil and Sunday Masses. *Please do thank him in person.* There will be no weekday Masses from 21st–25th.

The following Sunday, 27 November, is Advent Sunday, and the Stanmore clergy fraternal invites us all to the annual **Ecumenical Advent Prayer Service**, at St John's Anglican Church at **5pm**.

The Parish's Christmas Fayre will be held **Saturday 3rd December (11am to 2.30pm)**.

- **This week and next we are asking for donations** of good saleable items/gifts, bric-a-brac and toys—but no jumble please—as well as boxes of biscuits, all type of **bottles/cans for our tombola**. **As ever, thank you for your support and generous donations which can be left in the narthex.**
- **Raffle tickets will be on sale** after Mass for the next two weekends.
- **Would you like to get involved** on a stall or **bake cake, pastries, bread or biscuits?** If you can help out please call Tim Goodger (020 8954 9463) or Robert Chandler (020 8204 1752).

Holy Souls envelopes continue to be available at the back of the church and in the pews. Please place the envelopes, with their donations, into the box provided in church or at the Presbytery.

So you can plan your Christmas the pattern of services will be

Sat 24th Dec Christmas Eve 9.30am Christmas Eve Morning Mass; **5.30pm** Vigil Mass of Christmas for children and families; **11pm** Carols & Christmas 'Mass during the Night'

Sun 25th Dec Christmas Day 8am Christmas 'Mass at Dawn'; **10am** Christmas 'Mass during the Day'

BHol Mon 26th Dec St Stephen's Day 10am Mass

There will be plenty of opportunities for Confessions throughout the week before.

Readers Rota 12 November 5.30 Jennifer Bourke 13 November 8.00 Freda Adzinku
13 November 10.00 Readings Patrick & Joseph Arthur, Bidding prayers Georgia Nwawulor
19 November 5.30 Monica Clifford 20 November 8.00 Audrey Da Costa
20 November 10.00 Readings Robert Chandler, Bidding prayers Monika Tabarrok

Counters Rota 13 Nov Walter Acuti, Beatrice McAdam 20 Nov Judith Brightwell, Monica Assoku, Funmi Da Silva

Church Cleaning 19 November Team B: Tim Goodger, Laura Willoughby, Vere Massy and Indrė Balčaitė