



PRAY FOR THE SICK

Lately dead: Shirley Turrell

May she rest in peace

Anniversaries:

Anne Alfano, Walter Pert,
Derek Faulkner, Kathleen Ivens,
John Mulligan, Teresa Camp, Mary
James, Betty Neilson, Gladys
Ratnayake, Mary Roberts,
Kathleen Stokes, Cecelia Chaplin,
Annie Connolly, Harry Deamer,
Sister Cyril Donnelly, Brendan
O'Loughlin, Dorothy Knight,
Rory Maguire, Joseph Neary,
Oscar Van Reyk, Henry White,
Josie Butt, Sarah Clark,
Kathleen Flowers, Martin Kivineen,
Lubica Moody, Sheila Davighi, Rhys
Williams

Supporting Carers & others in our Community

Monday 18th November 11—1pm

Join us for light refreshments and a chat
in the Henrietta Suite.
All Welcome

Certificates of Practice

Fr Michael Copps will be available as
follows:

3rd December—3.30 to 4.30pm

4th December—3.30 to 4.30pm

SUNDAY MASSES

1st Mass: 6pm Saturday;
8.30am; 10am & 11.30am Sunday
(The 11.30am Mass is recorded)



Join us for tea/coffee after Sunday
Mass in the Becket Centre

10am Chigwell Convent

WEEKDAY MASSES

10am St Thomas'
9.30am Chigwell Convent except on Saturday's
when mass takes place at 10am

CONFESSIONS

Saturdays 10.30 to 11am
and
5.15 to 5.45 pm

BAPTISMS

1st and 3rd Sundays
of the month

Mary's Meals—Coin collection

You will find envelopes at the back of church
today, please take one when you leave and put
all your foreign coins and notes into it. Then
bring your envelope back into church next
weekend. Mary's Meals feeds children for only
10p per meal so a little goes a long way.
Thank you for your support.

Christmas Fayre

Trinity School, Lower site
23rd November 12 noon to 4pm

Donations still needed

- The Brownies would be most grateful for donations of cakes for their cake stall this year
- CWL would also welcome cake donations for the refreshments stall.
- Produce stall would welcome donations of home produce

Please bring along on the morning of 23rd

**And come along and join us for this fun
parish festive event.**



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Thirty Third Sunday in Ordinary Time (B) 17th November 2024

Please note the nearest Fire Exit to you whilst you are in the Church

People who are in need and don't know where to look for support
don't need to feel that they stand on the edge of disaster.

First reading:

Daniel 12:1

Wisdom and goodness light up
the world with a light which
cannot be darkened.

Second reading:

Hebrews 10:11-14. 18

Jesus' sacrifice of himself took
away all sins.

Gospel:

Mark 13:24-32

Jesus, the Word of God, speaks
in human words which will last
forever.



Responsorial Psalm

Preserve me, God, I take refuge in you.

SYNODAL ASSEMBLY IN ROME

The assembly in Rome has ended. The text below is the introduction to the final report. Every new step in the life of the Church is a return to the source. It is a renewed experience of the disciples' encounter with the Risen One in the Upper Room on Easter evening. Like them, during this synodal Assembly, we too felt enfolded in His mercy and drawn to His beauty. We felt His presence in our midst as we lived conversation in the Spirit and listened to one another: the presence of He, who, in bestowing the Holy Spirit, continues to build among his People a unity that establishes harmony amidst differences. Contemplating the Risen One, we recall that "we have been baptised into his death" (Rom. 6.3): We have seen the mark of His wounds transfigured by a new life, yet engraved forever in His humanity. These are wounds that continue to bleed in the bodies of many brothers and sisters, including through our own faults. Looking upon the Lord does not distance us from the tragedies of history. Instead, it opens our eyes to the suffering of those around us and penetrates us: the faces of war-stricken terrorised children, weeping mothers, the shattered dreams of so many young people, refugees who face terrible journeys, the victims of climate change and social injustice. Their sufferings have resounded among us not only through the media but also through the voices of many who have been personally involved with their families and their peoples in these tragic events. In the days during which we have been gathered in this Assembly, wars have continued to cause death and destruction, a desire for revenge and a loss of conscience. We join Pope Francis in his repeated appeals for peace, condemning the logic of violence, hatred and revenge and committing ourselves

to promoting the logic of dialogue, fellowship and reconciliation. Genuine and lasting peace is possible and together we can build it. "The joys and hopes and the sorrows and anxieties of people today, especially of those who are poor and afflicted" (GS 1) have been once again the joys and sorrows of all of us, Christ's disciples.

Since the Holy Father embarked us upon this synodal journey in 2021, we have been discovering its richness and fruitfulness more and more. We began by listening, careful to grasp in the many voices "what the Spirit is saying to the Churches" (Rev. 2: 7). The journey began with the vast consultation of the People of God in our dioceses and eparchies. It continued with the national and continental stages, in a circularity of dialogue continually being reinvigorated by the General Secretariat for the Synod of Bishops through the Synthesis Reports and Working Documents. The celebration of the XVI Ordinary General Assembly of the Synod of Bishops and its two sessions has permitted us today to present to the Holy Father and to all the Churches the witness to all that we have experienced and the fruit of our discernment for a renewed missionary impulse.

During each stage, the journey was characterised by the knowledge of the "sense of faith" of the People of God. Step by step, we came to understand that at the heart of the Synod 2021-2024. For a Synodal Church: Communion, Participation, Mission there is a call to joy and renewal of the Church in following the Lord, in committing to service of His mission, and in searching for ways to be faithful.



Mass Intentions

Sunday 17th November

8.30 Don Dourado RIP
10 Antony Caprice anniversary
11.30 Ray Burke RIP

Monday 18th November

Derek Faulkner anniversary
Patrick Dennehy RIP

Tuesday 19th November

John O'Sullivan RIP
Theresa Croll sick

Wednesday 20th November

Jennifer Little anniversary
Nick and Kay Stokes RIP

Thursday 21st November

Graeme McNeill RIP
Mary Loughran RIP

Friday 22nd November

Brian Dunleavy RIP
Brian Correya RIP

Saturday 23rd November

10 Frank Costello RIP
6 Ghassan Al Mudallal surgery

Sunday 24th November

8.30 Michael Cusack
10 Suzanna Intze-Trek RIP
11.30 Maria Grant Birthday

Mass every day for those named before the altar

Church Cleaning
Saturday 23rd November at 10.30am
Bernie Siggins, Rachel Woolf &
Kathleen Mahoney

FREE Stretch Class 22nd November
in Henrietta Suite after the 10am Mass

Important information for Readers

On the first Sunday of Advent (1st of December) we'll be using the new Lectionary which is taken from the ESV bible (the English Standard Version – Catholic Edition) which is different from the Jerusalem Bible which we have been using since 1970. Also, the Responsorial Psalms have changed and are taken from "The *Abbey Psalms and Canticles*", which replaces the *Grail Psalter* – they're slightly different.

On the two Sunday's (17th & 24th of November) leading up to the 1st Sunday of Advent, the Lectionary will be available for all readers to acquaint themselves with the new text and layout. The Lectionary will be on the wooden lectern which will be situated in St Francis' chapel. Please take a few moments, either before or after mass to inspect the lectionary

If you use a personal missal to prepare for your reading, this will obviously now be obsolete, new missals containing the ESV readings can be ordered from the parish shop. There is also a website and "App" called "Universalis" which contains all the readings for Sundays & weekdays (and a whole lot more) and can be found at <https://universalis.com/>

New Missals
Will be available from the
Parish Office or Shop
from 21st November
£15.00

