

CATHOLIC PARISH OF OUR LADY AND ST GEORGE

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THIRTY SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
11th NOVEMBER 2018 - REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY

Parishioners,

In the familiar story of the widow's mite, Jesus contrasts the attitude and the demeanour of the widow with that of the scribes. Widows in Jesus' time and culture were particularly vulnerable. There was no social welfare and they were vulnerable to having their property rights removed by unscrupulous speculators.

We know nothing of the woman in the story, except that she gave generously and fully. She did not hold back, she gave all she had to live on. She was either very reckless or she was a woman of great faith and generosity. The amount she gave was tiny but the enormity of her sacrifice was the whole heart with which she gave. Her humility in giving without show, her reckless generosity and her faith that God would provide is sharply contrasted with the attitude and motivation of the scribes.

Jesus paints the scribes as ambitious, showy, conceited, corrupt (they swallow the property of widows) and ostentatious in their lengthy prayers. He promises a severe judgement will fall on them for their greed, their pride and their controlling nature. Their pride and self-sufficiency, their race for honours and self-advancement, their careful and ostentatious giving which makes no real inroad on their wealth- all these are of no ultimate avail to them. Heaven belongs to the generous of heart, not to the highest bidder, or to the loudest, the aggressive, the controlling or the conceited.

One of the Irish words for heaven, 'flaitheas,' is also the word for generosity. Heaven is simply the generosity of God. The widow's generosity reflected the heavenly or godly generosity of heaven. That is why she is given as a pattern of good religious practice.

Have a blessed week.

 (Fr. Niall)

MARRIAGES: By appointment. At least six months notice is required. Please speak to one of the priests for more information.

Baptism Preparation Course The next Baptism preparation course will be on Monday 26th November 7:00pm in the Church. Godparents are encouraged to attend.

Holy Communion Programme Session 1 on Saturday next 17th November at 9:45am in the Church.

Sacrament of Confirmation Preparation Programme:

Session 2 is this Sunday 11th November 4p.m. in the parish hall.

Dates for your diary:

The parish Advent Reconciliation Service will be on Monday 3rd of December at 7:30p.m. in the church

HE Cardinal George will visit the parish on Wednesday 5th of December and will celebrate Mass for the Syro Malabar Community in St George's at 6:30pm.

Bishop Alan visits the parish on Saturday 8th December. Mass on that Saturday morning will be at 9:15a.m. And this will facilitate an early start for the training course for the Stewards of the Gospel.

Sunday 16th of December at 4p.m, we have our parish Carol Service. A liturgy of 9 Scripture Readings and 9 Carols. All welcome. Bring a friend or two.

Fr Donie O'Connor is in the parish this weekend. He will be promoting the Missio Red Box Appeal.

This Sunday is Remembrance Sunday. Her Majesty's Government have requested that all bells should ring throughout the land at 12:30p.m and this marks the 100th anniversary of the end of The Great War.

This Sunday 11th November we welcome into the Community of Faith through the Sacrament of Baptism: Enzo Paul Matos Laurencio and Honey D'Arcy Thomas and next week Georgina Alexandra Ayling, Flora Lily Ayling Iremide Olamrewaju and Tiwalayo Olamrewaju. May God Bless them and their families.

Fire Drill : There will be a Fire Drill at all the Masses on Sunday 18th of November. Follow the directions of the Fire Marshalls. Fire Drill for the Saturday 6pm. Mass will be in the Spring when the evenings are brighter.

Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist

There is an important letter for Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist please collect it from the repository if you are a minister on Sunday Masses and from Gertrude Charles if you are a minister at Saturday Vigil Mass. The letter refers to changes when Ministers need to be on Sanctuary as of Advent, 2nd December 2018. Please return completed form no later than Sunday 18th November 2018.

HCPT Fundraising The Bingo on Friday evening raised a staggering £1010.33p and the cake sale a record breaking £471.58. With one parishioner making a donation of £200! In total we raised £1,681.91. This will pay for two children to go to Lourdes next Easter. We would like to thank you, and all who baked and all who came to Bingo, made donations and included us in their prayers.

November is the month of the Holy Souls. We pray for all our dead. Holy Souls envelopes are available from the Repository. Please write out all your deceased family and friends and together with your donation place inside the envelope. Return the envelope to the priest. Masses will be offered for the Holy Souls throughout the month of November. The names on the lists are long. Because of this, Masses will be celebrated in the coming months for the Holy Souls as well.


Leila Green, Rest in Peace We pray for the happy repose of the soul of Leila Green, Rest in Peace. Leila's body will be brought to the church on Thursday 15th of November at 4:30p.m. Requiem Mass for Leila's soul will be on Friday 16th of November in St George's at 10:30a.m.

Stanislaw Duray, Rest in Peace We pray for the happy repose of the soul of Stanislaw Duray, Rest in Peace.

Mass Attendance last weekend 631 . The collection last week was £1492.18p
Average weekly standing order collection is £330. Thank you for your generosity.

ROTAS

<u>Counting Rota</u>						
<u>Hospital Rota</u>	14/10B	21/10D	28/10A	04/11B	11/11D	18/11A

 Joke of the Week: : I'll tell you what often gets overlooked.....Garden fences (Attributed to Tim Vine)
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Mass times and intentions at Our Lady and St. George

06:00pm	Cyril Bhojrow (Rest in Peace) (Family)
Sun 11 November	THIRTY SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
08:30am	Jimmy King(Rest in Peace) (Bond)
10:00am	Holy Souls-November Dead List
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Mon 12 November	SAINT JOSAPHAT, BISHOP AND MARTYR
07:00am	James Fletcher (Intentions)
09:15am	Prisca Momye Obianodo (Intentions)
04:00pm	Whipps Cross Hospital Mass –Holy Souls
Tue 13 November	SAINT FRANCES XAVIER, CABRINI, VIRGIN
07:00am	Maria Sanches (Rest in Peace) (Kristina)
09:15 am	Louella Rodrigues and Family (Intentions) (Kristina)
Wed 14 November	FERIA
07:00am	Lynne Adkins (Rest in Peace) (Cullen)
09:15 am	Elizabeth Carding (Thanksgiving)
Thu 15 November	FERIA
07:00am	For Priests (Louella)
09:15am	Patrick Spring (Rest in Peace) (Anne Carmody)
Fri 16 November	FERIA
07:00am	O’Gorman Family (Intentions)
09:15am	Nilda Rodrigues (Rest in Peace)
10:30am	Requiem Mass- Leila Green (Rest in Peace)
Sat 17 November	SAINT ELIZABETH OF HUNGARY
10:00am	Mgr. Zachary D’Souza (Rest in Peace)
06:00pm	Ellen Fletcher (Rest in Peace) (Joan Carey)
Sun 18 November	THIRTY THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
08:30am	Josie Maloney (Rest in Peace) (Moss)
10:00am	Vera’s Grandson Ryan (Intentions) (Marta Salamonowicz)
12:00noon	Theodora D’Souza (Thanksgiving) (Carol and Conrad)

Prayer List

Christopher Browne, Rose Dennehy, Carol Hogermeer, Brian Keane, Ignatius Keane, Tony McCarthy, Rose O’Neill, Andrea Roberts, Promise Shinondo, Victoria Wyndham, Christine Conway, Nora Meades, Veronica Nolan, Mr and Mrs Charles, Esperanza Buenaventura, Joyce Ross, Christine Raymond, Jacky Boyrow, Thelma Lewis, Tasmin Sparks, Eileen Karim, Sandra Gibson, Archie Garrod, Martin Keane, Alix Charlery, Bridie Lacon, Peter Ikuptati, Mercy Fernando, Veronica Godsave,, Oliver Gaynor, Marjorie Singh, Gunanesan Singarajah, Bill Walsh, Bridget Lyons, Kristina Klimasauskaite, Philomena Spranklen, Jeffrey Mitchell, Michelle Boyle, Carla Cornelius, Cecelia Gibbs, Arthur Gibbs, Ural Gibbs, Gilbert Gibbs, Archie, George and Issac, Luis and Lukas, Anne Hutton, Comfort Kwawu, Judith Hilton, Gloria and Tracy Joseph, Regina Jose, Kojo Gyebi-Ababio, Thampirajah Baskaran, Linda Campbell, Brid O’Halloran, Betty Ramsey, Hazel Belizaire, ,Tina Henriques, Christopher O’Neill,Alan and Ross Smith,Stefan, Monica Baugh, Eileen O Kane, Louis Marie, Eva Santiano, Grace Mecaley,

Morning Prayer: Mon-Fri: 9.00am. Sat. 9.40am. Rosary: Weekdays after morning Mass Reconciliation (Confessions): Sat. 10.30am – 11.30am. 5.00pm – 5.45pm. During these times the priest is in the Reconciliation Room, inside the Blessed Sacrament Chapel, to the left.