

THIRTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (Psalter Wk 1)

Entrance Antiphon Cf Jr 29:11,12,14
The Lord said: I think thoughts of peace and not of affliction. You will call upon me, and I will answer you, and I will lead your captives from every place.

First Reading: Mal 3:19–20

Responsorial Psalm: Ps 97:5-9
The Lord comes to rule the peoples with fairness.

Second Reading: 2 Thess 3:7–12

Gospel Acclamation: Cf. Lk 21:36

Alleluia, alleluia!

Stay awake praying at all times for the strength to stand with confidence before the Son of Man!

Alleluia

Gospel: Lk 21:5–19

Communion Antiphon: Cf. Ps 22:1-2

To be near God is my happiness, to place my hope in God the Lord.

SATURDAY 12th November Our Lady

9:30 Mass at English Martyrs, Didcot—Johannah Dipple (Anne Johns)

- Rosary for Peace and confessions at English Martyrs, Didcot

4:30pm Adoration & Confessions will take place prior to the Vigil Mass at St John's

5.00pm Vigil Mass St John's—Christina Sheehan RIP (Bill Sheehan)

5.50pm Adoration before Vigil Mass at English Martyrs, Didcot

6.30pm Vigil Mass English Martyrs, Didcot—Dante Chacin (F. Freason)

SUNDAY 13th November Thirty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:00am Mass English Martyrs, Didcot, Tete Barnette RIP (Carolyn Fishwick)

11:00am Mass St John's, Wallingford

MONDAY 14th November

No Public Mass

TUESDAY 15th November St Albert the Great

11:30am St John's, Wallingford, Rosary for peace

12:00noon Mass St John's, Wallingford, Father Philip P Harris

WEDNESDAY 16th November St Edmund of Abingdon

9:30am Mass English Martyrs, Didcot—Walter Humphries (Tanya Humphries)

THURSDAY 17th November St Elizabeth of Hungary

9:30am Mass at St John's Wallingford, - Father Philip P Harris

FRIDAY 18th November Dedication of the Basilicas of St Peter & St Paul, Rome

9:30am Mass, English Martyrs, Didcot—Frederick John Newman RIP (E. Sanders)

SATURDAY 19th November, Our Lady

9:30 Mass at English Martyrs, Didcot, Johannah Dipple RIP

Rosary for Peace and confessions at English Martyrs, Didcot

4:30pm Adoration & Confessions will take place prior to the Vigil Mass at St John's Wallingford

5.00pm Vigil Mass St John's Mrs C Sheehan RIP

5.50pm Adoration before Vigil Mass at English Martyrs, Didcot

6.30pm Vigil Mass English Martyrs, Didcot—Deceased Family & Friends of Lazarus Family

SUNDAY 20th November Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

9:00am Mass English Martyrs, Didcot—Father Philip P Harris

12:00noon Mass St John's, Wallingford—All Deceased family members of the Armed Forces



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THIRTY-THIRD -SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

It is the age between our Lord's first coming and His last. We live in the new world begun by His life, death, Resurrection, and Ascension, by the sending of His Spirit upon the Church. But we await the day when He will come again in glory.



"Lo, the day is coming," Malachi warns in today's First Reading. The prophets taught Israel to look for the Day of the Lord, when He would gather the nations for judgment (see Zechariah 3:8; Isaiah 3:9; 2 Peter 3:7).

Jesus anticipates this day in today's Gospel. He cautions us not to be deceived by those claiming "the time has come." Such deception is the background also for today's Epistle (see 2 Thessalonians 2:1–3).

The signs Jesus gives His Apostles seem to already have come to pass in the New Testament. In Acts, the Epistles, and Revelation, we read of famines, earthquakes, and the Temple's desolation. We read of persecutions—believers imprisoned and put to death, testifying to their faith with wisdom in the Spirit.

These "signs," then, show us the pattern for the Church's life—both in the New Testament and today.

We too live in a world of nations and kingdoms at war. And we should take the Apostles as our "models," as today's Epistle counsels. Like them we must persevere in the face of unbelieving relatives, friends, forces, and authorities hostile to God.

As we do in today's Psalm, we should sing His praises and joyfully proclaim His coming as Lord and King. The Day of the Lord is always a day that has already come and a day still yet to come. It is the "today" of our Liturgy.

The Apostles prayed maranatha—"O Lord come!" (see 1 Corinthians 16:22; Revelation 22:20). In the Eucharist He answers, coming again as the Lord of Hosts and the Sun of Justice with its healing rays. It is a mighty sign—and a pledge of that Day to come

Scott Hahn

In your prayers, please remember: Jenny Evans, Mary Guinan, Maureen & John Logan Ann Tomline, Joan Walker, Terry Appleyard, Joan Russell, Joan Turner, Nina Oakes, Jacob Oakes, Jidechi Ejiofor, Pat McLoughlin, Margaret Healy, Barry Molloy, David Woodley, Gladys Marr and all the sick and housebound of the parishes.



Sunday 20th November, the Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe, is also World Youth Day and here are some resources to help celebrate it. This year we have our own Youth FUNday! After the success of the previous two years, the highly acclaimed live-stream youth FUNday is back for 2022, connecting classrooms across the UK! World Youth Sunday will be celebrated on 20th November this year, and our Youth FUNday will be celebrated the Friday before, 18th November 2022. Please share the following links: World Youth Sunday home page Youth Sunday E&W-



Inter Faith Week

This week (13th-20th November) is all about an understanding between people of religious and nonreligious beliefs. "Inter Faith Week is a fantastic opportunity for people of all faiths and beliefs to: mix and learn in neighbourhoods, workplaces, schools and universities and other contexts; visit places of worship of their neighbours and find out why their faith matters to them; get past stereotypes and misunderstandings and increase religious literacy; celebrate; dialogue; and volunteer together to help their local community." (Canon Hilary Barber and Narendra Waghela)
To find out more about Inter Faith Week 2022 see the website at www.interfaithweek.org

Head of Charity Vacancy – Caritas

Full time role. Salary up to £45k depending on experience. "Caritas is the practical expression of Christian love in our world. " Are you an experienced leader in the Charitable sector able to provide drive, motivation and passion to make a real and lasting difference to those in need in our local communities and beyond so that the love of Christ may be visible as part of our Christian love for people in their time of need? Do you have a track record in leading successful projects motivating a large volunteer workforce, and fostering positive and professional relationships with local leaders and statutory bodies?

The Roman Catholic Diocese of Portsmouth has an exciting opportunity for an experienced and highly motivated professional to lead its social and community charitable developments principally at home but also fostering strong relationships with partner charities who support work overseas in particular Bamenda where we have had long standing connections.

Remembrance Sunday

Today, November 13th is 'Remembrance Sunday'. Take the opportunity to contemplate on why remembrance is important, and to support the Poppy Appeal. The Royal British Legion is working hard to support the most vulnerable in our society, be it older veterans, those who suffer from social isolation, or those who are simply overwhelmed by the challenges associated with the cost-of-living crisis. No donation is too small. Every poppy counts.



Parish Safeguarding Rep

Our Safety Officer for all adult and child safeguarding issues is Stefania Harford, please contact Stefania via the parish office on 01235 812338, if there is no response and in an emergency then dial 999.



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Ten Year Plan: "You Will Be My Witnesses"

You will recall a letter Bishop Philip wrote to everyone of us, October 16th, 2022. A few copies of the Diocesan Strategy Document titled "You Will Be My Witnesses" were made available as draft strategic plan for consultation. If

you had a copy, brilliant. If you don't, it is available online for download... <https://www.portsmouthdiocese.org.uk/our-mission/planning/ten-year-plan/>

The consultation is ongoing across the diocese. It is now your turn to speak out. We plan to meet in English Martyrs Church, November 25th at 7.30pm. Please come along. Make your voice heard. Tell us what you think of this plan. The reports shall be collated and submitted to the diocese before December 15th.

Home for Ukraine Matching Service

Caritas Social Action Network, in partnership with St. John of God Hospitaller Services, an international Catholic charity with many services for the vulnerable in the UK and Ireland, have launched a service to bring together Ukrainian people displaced by the brutal war in their country with people in the Catholic Community willing to host them in their homes for six months. Once the match is confirmed the Ukrainian guest can apply for their visa. We know that coping with the cost-living-crisis will be the main concern for many people this winter, but if you have room in your home and in you heart to consider welcoming a stranger displaced by war, the we'd love to hear from you. Please visit <https://sjog-homesforukraine.uk/> for more information.



Finance Report

This weekend, a member of our Parish Finance Committee presents to us Parish Fiancé Report. This report is firstly to say Thank You for all your sacrifices. Your offerings have been very helpful in these difficult times. Secondly, to throw light on the state of our parish finance. After the presentation, you will be handed printed copies after mass. Please take a copy home. Take an extra copy for a friend or a family not at mass today. This report will enable us visualise the health of our parish finance. The Finance Committee is committed to giving you regular updates. Thank You.

Who is Father David O'Sullivan?

Have you read about Fr B V Mille, Father James Campbell, Father A V Olney, Fr T Walsh and a long list of others who built our parish community, the faith and the Churches? These priests served us from the 1930s till just yesterday. Do you know what they look like? Have you seen any of them lately? As for me, Yes, I have seen Father David O'Sullivan and Father Philip P Harris but not Father Olney. What does he look like in real life? Let us bring back and keep their memories. Do you have any of their photos? We can borrow it, make a copy and return the master copy to you. We plan to frame them and put them up in our sacristies. Please send an email to dadeiza@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk if you any. Thank You.

Pope Francis' Prayer Intention for November 2022

We are invited to join in Pope Francis' prayer intention "Let us pray for children who are suffering, especially for those who are homeless, orphans, and victims of war."



Our Church, the English Martyrs Didcot will be open daily for private prayers between 8am and 5pm.