

NOTICES (continued)

LAST SUNDAY COLLECTION: £377.03

MEETING OF EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS: There will be a short meeting of all the Eucharistic Ministers in the Church immediately after the 11am Mass today (14th November).

ALTAR SERVERS' TRAINING: Altar servers will have a brief training session with the priests immediately after the 11 am Mass today.

POUND CLUB: **Mary Fernandes** has assumed responsibility of Pound Club for 11am Mass. Thank you Mary and we wish you a fruitful service.

GRATITUDE TO GOSIA: **Gosia Golenia** has asked to exempt her from the voluntary service of decorating the church. Our words of appreciation and gratitude to Gosia who decorated the church beautifully with flowers in the past few years. Her commitment to the work was extraordinary! Accept our heartfelt and sincere thanks, Gosia!

NEW TEAM FOR FLOWERS: A group of dedicated women have accepted to decorate the church. They are: **Linda Adaikalasamy** (Coordinator), **Dimple Francis**, and **Mary Fernandes**. We thank them and wish them God's abundant blessings.

CHILDREN'S LITURGY: **Justina Kirkwood** has accepted to help with Children's liturgy. She will join Sheila Hay to offer the children of the parish the best of religious and sacramental instruction. Thank you Justina.

REMEMBRANCE MASS: Thank you to those who have given their time to prepare the beautiful celebration of Remembrance Mass. Particular thanks is extended to **Maureen** and the Liturgy Committee for arranging the liturgy. Thanks to the members of St Monica's Guild for their tea and coffee service after the Mass.

FAIRTRADE STALL: There will be a Fairtrade stall in the parish hall after both Masses today. The purpose of this stall is both to promote fair trade goods and to encourage sustainable alternatives. During the past two weeks of COP26, there have been talks about Climate Change. Pope Francis is among the many voices calling for us to listen to our moral and Christian responsibility to take action and do our part to combat climate change. (There will also be some delicious Fairtrade chocolate).

SPECIAL COLLECTION: There will be a special collection today for the **World Day of the Poor**. This year, the Caritas, Justice and Peace Commission of the Archdiocese wishes to use the special collection to support two SSVP projects; The Furniture Project based in Kingseat and the Caravan Project based in Port Seton.



SAINT JOSEPH'S
BROOMHOUSE



14th November 2021

Thirty third Sunday in Ordinary Time

Heaven and earth
will pass away,
but my words
will not pass
away.

Mark 13:24-32

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ORDER OF THE MASS

Entrance Antiphon

Jer 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 back your captives from every place.

Introductory Rites

P: In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

✠ *Amen.*

P: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

✠ *And with your spirit.*

Penitential Act

*I confess to almighty God / and to you my brothers and sisters,
that I have greatly sinned / in my thoughts and in my words,
in what I have done, and in what I have failed to do,
through my fault, through my fault,
through my most grievous fault;
therefore I ask blessed Mary ever-Virgin,
all the angels and saints / and you my brothers and sisters,
to pray for me to the Lord our God.*

Amen.

P: Lord have mercy.

✠ *Lord have mercy*

P: Christ have mercy.

✠ *Christ have mercy*

P: Lord have mercy

✠ *Lord have mercy.*

The Gloria

Glory to God in the highest,
and on earth peace to people of good will.

We praise you,

we bless you,

we adore you,

we glorify you,

we give you thanks for your great glory,

Lord God, heavenly King,

O God, almighty Father.

Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son,

Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,

you take away the sins of the world,

have mercy on us;

you take away the sins of the world,

receive our prayer;

you are seated at the right hand of the Father, have mercy on us.

For you alone are the Holy One,

you alone are the Lord,

Reflection

Final judgement: On the penultimate Sunday of the liturgical year, the Word of God presents the scenario of the final judgement. No one can escape it. St Paul says: “*We all have to appear before the tribunal of Christ for each one to receive what he deserves for his good or evil deeds in the present life*” (2Cor 5: 10).

The judge: Everyone will be judged by the Lord. All judgement belongs to God because only God knows everything. God knows the depth of human heart—the situations, difficulties, sufferings and even the innermost thoughts. Man judges according to appearance, “*but the Lord sees the heart*” (1Sam 16: 7).

The justice of God: God judges with wisdom and impartiality. The Lord “*does not make exceptions in favour of anyone*” (Col 3: 25) and “*pays no attention to the status of a person*” (Gal 2: 6). Peter, the closest disciple of Jesus, in one of his speeches said: “*Truly I realise that God does not show partiality*” (Acts 10: 34). But the Lord who is wise and impartial will always judge with compassion, love and fairness.

The criterion of judgement: The Church, following the Scripture, teaches that everyone will be judged according to the way one lives his/her life. The greatest and perhaps the only criterion for judgement is love. In the words of Jesus, the concrete expressions of love are: feeding the hungry, welcoming the stranger, clothing the naked, visiting the sick and ministering to the prisoners (cf. Mt 25: 31-41).

Certainty and uncertainty: There is certainty about the judgement of God because “*heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will not pass away*”, and God cannot deceive and cannot be deceived. While judgement is certain, the day of judgement is uncertain because “*as for that day or hour, nobody knows it, neither the angels in heaven, nor the Son; no one but the Father.*”

Preparation: The readings of today presents a few steps of preparation. The first step revealed in the first reading is to follow the way of wisdom. The second step, again from the first reading, is to lead others to virtue—God; it refers to our mission. The third step exposed in the gospel is to read, understand and follow the signs that the Lord sends.

Fr Baji Joseph, SSP

Communion Antiphon

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

Ps 72: 28

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CHRIST THE KING: We celebrate the Solemnity of Christ the King next Sunday (last Sunday of the Liturgical year). To pay special honour to our Universal King, the mass at 11am will conclude with the exposition of the Sacrament and Solemn Blessings!

SCIAF: Following our Christmas stall last week, Pauline has sent a cheque for an incredible £1,698 to SCIAF. Many thanks for your generosity for such a worthwhile cause.

| Mass schedule and Intentions this week | | | |
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| Date | Time | Saint | Intentions |
| Sunday, 14 Nov. | 8.30am | 33 rd Sunday of the year | |
| | 11.00am | | |
| Monday, 15 Nov. | 9.30am | | |
| Tuesday, 16 Nov. | 9.30am | St Margaret of Scotland (F) | |
| Wednesday, 17 Nov. | 9.30am | St Elizabeth of Hungry (M) | |
| Thursday, 18 Nov. | 9.30am | | |
| Friday, 19 Nov. | 9.30am | | |
| Saturday, 20 Nov. | 9.30am | Blessed Virgin Mary | |

Intentions of the Mass: All your deceased loved ones enrolled on the “November dead-list” will be remembered and prayed for during all the holy Masses celebrated in November.

you alone are the Most High,
Jesus Christ,
with the Holy Spirit,
in the glory of God the Father.
Amen

First reading**Daniel 12:1-3**

‘At that time Michael will stand up, the great prince who mounts guard over your people. There is going to be a time of great distress, unparalleled since nations first came into existence. When that time comes, your own people will be spared, all those whose names are found written in the Book. Of those who lie sleeping in the dust of the earth many will awake, some to everlasting life, some to shame and everlasting disgrace. The learned will shine as brightly as the vault of heaven, and those who have instructed many in virtue, as bright as stars for all eternity.’

The Word of the Lord*R Thanks be to God***Responsorial Psalm****Psalm 15(16):5,8-11****R. Preserve me, God, I take refuge in you.**

O Lord, it is you who are my portion and cup;
it is you yourself who are my prize.
I keep the Lord ever in my sight:
since he is at my right hand, I shall stand firm. **R.**

And so my heart rejoices, my soul is glad;
even my body shall rest in safety.
For you will not leave my soul among the dead,
nor let your beloved know decay. **R.**

You will show me the path of life,
the fullness of joy in your presence,
at your right hand happiness for ever. **R.**

Second reading**Hebrews 10:11-14,18**

All the priests stand at their duties every day, offering over and over again the same sacrifices which are quite incapable of taking sins away. He, on the other hand, has offered one single sacrifice for sins, and then taken his place forever, at the right hand of God, where he is now waiting until his enemies are made into a footstool for him. By virtue of that one single offering, he has achieved the eternal perfection of all whom he is sanctifying. When all sins have been forgiven, there can be no more sin offerings.

The Word of the Lord*R Thanks be to God*

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!

Stay awake and stand ready,
because you do not know the hour
when the Son of Man is coming.
Alleluia!

Mt24:42 44**Gospel****Mark 13:24-32**

Jesus said to his disciples: 'In those days, after the time of distress, the sun will be darkened, the moon will lose its brightness, the stars will come falling from heaven and the powers in the heavens will be shaken. And then they will see the Son of Man coming in the clouds with great power and glory; then too he will send the angels to gather his chosen from the four winds, from the ends of the world to the ends of heaven.

'Take the fig tree as a parable: as soon as its twigs grow supple and its leaves come out, you know that summer is near. So with you when you see these things happening: know that he is near, at the very gates. I tell you solemnly, before this generation has passed away all these things will have taken place. Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will not pass away.

'But as for that day or hour, nobody knows it, neither the angels of heaven, nor the Son; no one but the Father.'

The Gospel of the Lord

℟ Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ

Profession of Faith

*I believe in God, / the Father almighty, / Creator of heaven and earth,
and in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit /
born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried; /
he descended into hell; / on the third day he rose again from the dead;
he ascended into heaven;
and is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty,
from there he will come to judge the living and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Spirit, / the holy catholic church,
the communion of saints, / the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body, / and life everlasting.*

Amen.

Prayers of the Faithful

P: Lord, hear us.

℟ Lord Graciously Hear us.

The Sanctus

*Holy, Holy, Holy Lord, God of hosts, heaven and earth are full of your glory,
hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord,
hosanna in the highest.*

The Mystery of Faith

*We proclaim your Death, O Lord, and profess your Resurrection, until you
come again.*

Doxology and Great Amen

P: Through him, and with him, and in him, O God, almighty Father, in the
unity of the Holy Spirit, all glory and honour is yours, for ever and ever.

C: **Amen.**

The Lord's Prayer

*Our Father, who are in heaven, hallowed be thy name;
thy kingdom come; / thy will be done
on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread,
and forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those who trespass against us;
and lead us not into temptation, / but deliver us from evil.*

P: Deliver us Lord, we pray...

*For the kingdom, the power and the glory are yours,
now and forever.*

P: Lord Jesus Christ... For ever and ever.

℟ Amen.

P: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

℟ And with your spirit.

Breaking of the Bread

*Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world,
have mercy on us.
Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world,
have mercy on us.
Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world,
grant us peace.*

P: Behold the Lamb of God, behold him who takes away the sins of the
world. Blessed are those called to the supper of the Lamb.

℟: *Lord, I am not worthy that you should enter under my roof, but only say
the word and my soul shall be healed.*