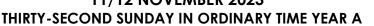


A St. Paul's Church, Cheshunt

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Saturday Sunday	11th 12th	5.00 pm 9.00 am 11.00am		Tommy O'Donnel RIP For the Sick People of the Parish
Monday Tuesday Wednesday Friday	13th 14th 15th 17th	9.30 am 9.30 am 9.30 am 9:00am	Feria Feria St. Albert the Great Benediction & Mass (St. Elizabeth of Hungary)	Chitra Sebastian RIP Holy Souls Michael Sweeney RIP
33rd Sunday Ord Time Year A				
Saturday	18th	5.00 pm		
Sunday	19th	9 & 11.00 am	1	
Sacrament of appointment	Reconcilia	tion: Saturday 4:	30-pm or telephone the pres	bytery for an

We pray for the sick in our Parish especially, Patricia Reilly, Mariesha McDonagh, Barbara Bassett, Barbara Alexander and for those who have no one to care for them. We pray for the repose of the souls of all the faithful departed especially Benedict Clifford De Silver, Alexander Nicolaides, Thomas Kilcommons and Rosalinda Zanre and those whose anniversaries occur at this time.

SUNDAY READINGS

First Reading: Wisdom 6:12-16 In praise of Wisdom, which is easily discerned by those who love her **Second Reading**: 1 Thessalonians 4:13-18 We should not grieve as others do who have no hope **Gospel Reading**: Matthew 25:1-13 We must be ready to meet the Lord when he comes

THOUGHT OF THE WEEK- Awake to the Lord

The wedding banquet is a consistent image of eternal life in the New Testament. We can only speak about the unknown and unfamiliar in terms of what is known and familiar. The wedding banquet highlights eternal life as that state in which the deepest hunger and thirst in our lives will be satisfied, especially the hunger and thirst for love, for God who is love. "O God. for you my soul is thirsting" (responsorial psalm.) In the second reading, Paul. without making use of the banquet image, speaks of life beyond death in a similar vein–it is that eternal moment when "God will bring them (those who have died) with him" and when "we shall stay with the Lord forever." Eternal life will mean entering into a new" and fuller relationship with God and, through him, with all creation.

CONFIRMATION 2023/24

Please contact Fr. Clement after Mass for a confirmation application form. *Candidates should be at least in Year 10, have received their First Holy Communion and be attending Mass at St Paul's Church.*

THE SICK AND RETIRED PRIESTS' COLLECTION THIS WEEK

The second collection this week will be for the sick and retired priests of our Diocese. Most priests offer their resignation at 75, but many continue to serve in our schools, hospitals, hospices and parishes. Last year, the Diocese of Westminster provided care to 82 retired priests, at a cost of £850,000. Caring for our brother priests in their senior years, or at a time of illness, is a fundamental part of the mission of our diocese. By supporting the Sick & Retired Priests' Fund, you can help cover essential costs and give them peace of mind that in the event of an emergency, their needs will be met. You will find a donation envelope at the back of the church today. Please take one home, and bring it back next weekend with your donation. You can also donate online at www.rcdow.org.uk/donations - the envelopes and posters feature a 'QR Code' that you can scan with

a phone camera to give online. You may also wish to consider becoming a Patron of our Sick & Retired Priests' Fund. If so, please take a leaflet home today. And please continue to pray for the wellbeing of all of our clergy: active, retired and ill. There will be a second collection at all the Masses next weekend. Thank you. **World Mission collection amounted to £314.39. God bless you**

CALL TO GLORY-Rosalinda Zanre

It is sad to inform you about the passing away of the late Rosalinda Zanre. The funeral Mass is at Waltham Cross Parish on December 1, 2023 at 11: 30am. Let us keep her and the family in our prayers.

NOVEMBER; MONTH OF THE HOLY SOULS-Collecting envelopes

The month of November is dedicated to the faithful departed (Holy Souls). In the light of this, Holy Mass will be offered for deceased parents, relatives, friends and other loved ones during the month of November. Pick an envelope (MONTH OF THE HOLY SOULS) and a SPECIALLY DESIGNED FORM at the back of the church. Kindly fill in the form return it in the **envelope provided with your kind donation**. Please hand them to Fr. Clement/Collection basket. Envelopes available at the back of the Church.

REPOSITORY

The Repository will be open after the 11.00 am Mass this weekend. It is now stocked with Christmas cards and gifts as well as memorial candles to use during November. Please be aware that to pay, it is cash only.

ST PAULS SCHOOL

St Paul's School are holding open days for those of you with children due to enter Reception next September – children born between September 2019 and August 2020. The sessions are on Wednesday 15th November 2023 at 2:10pm, Monday 20th November 2023 at 1:145pm and Wednesday 22nd November 2023 at 2:15pm All tours can be booked via the school office on 01992635060.

SCHOOL GOVERNORS

Are you interested in becoming a school governor in a Catholic School? Please contact <u>governors@rcdow.org.uk</u> or check out some of the vacancies at Interested in working in our Schools-Diocese of Westminster Education Service rcdow.org.uk or use the QR reader on the poster at the back of the church. You do not necessarily need to have experience in education as training will be given.

URGENT APPEAL FOR WINTER CLOTHING- Supporting local refugees and asylum seekers

We urgently need clean winter clothes in good condition. No holes, broken zips or fastenings please. for men and women: Coats, jumpers, hoodies, joggers, long sleeved tops in S, M, L XL. For children: age 3-14 Coats, jumpers, hoodies, joggers, long sleeved tops. Sorry but we cannot accept summer clothing at this time of year.

DIOCESAN JOBS

Are you looking for job opportunities? Westminster Diocese has some opportunities for you. For a list of current vacancies and further details, please visit <u>https://jobs.rcdow.org.uk/</u>

RETROUVAILLE: A PROGRAMME FOR COUPLES STRUGGLING IN THEIR MARRIAGES

Help Your Marriage – Do you feel alone? Are you frustrated or angry with each other? Do you argue … or have you just stopped talking to each other? Does talking about it only make it worse? Retrouvaille is a programme to support couples who have difficulties in their marriage. It brings a positive focus, new hope and helps nourish and grow your marriage. Tens of thousands of couples headed for divorce have successfully saved their marriages by attending and using the tools provided. The programme helps spouses uncover or re-awaken the love, trust and commitment that originally brought them together. It helps them through difficult times whether they are disillusioned or in deep misery. There is no group therapy or group work. For confidential information about 'Retrouvaille' or to register for the next programme a Virtual one x 12, 8pm to 10pm on Tuesday 24 October, continuing on Wednesday 25th October and every Wednesday, ending on the 3rd January 2024.., call or text 07887 296983 or 07973 380443 or email retrouvailleukinfo@gmail.com - or visit www.retrouvaille.org.uk

APPRECIATION

Thank you for your continuous support to the Parish in these challenging times, especially to our stewards/volunteers and all of you, for your generous giving to the Parish.

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