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**4/5 NOVEMBER 2023**

**THIRTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME YEAR A**



<b>Saturday</b>	<b>4th</b>	<b>5.00 pm</b>		For the Sick
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>5th</b>	<b>9.00 am</b>		The Opara Family
		<b>11.00am</b>		Matthew Brunton RIP
<b>Monday</b>	<b>6th</b>	<b>9.30 am</b>	Feria	
<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>7th</b>	<b>9.30 am</b>	Feria	Holy Souls
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>8th</b>	<b>9.30 am</b>	Feria	
<b>Friday</b>	<b>10th</b>	<b>9:00 am</b>	Benediction & Mass (St. Leo the Great)	The Sick & Carers

### 32nd Sunday Ord Time Year A

<b>Saturday</b>	<b>11th</b>	<b>5.00 pm</b>
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>12th</b>	<b>9 &amp; 11.00 am</b>

**Sacrament of Reconciliation: Saturday 4:30-pm or telephone the presbytery for an appointment**

**We pray for the sick in our Parish especially Rosalinda Zanre, Patricia Reilly, Mariasha 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:** Malachi 1:14-2:2,8-10 You have strayed from the way; you have caused many to stumble by your teaching **Second Reading:** 1 Thessalonians 2:7-9,13 We were eager to hand over to you not only the Good News but our whole lives

**Gospel Reading:** Matthew 23:1-12 They do not practise what they preach

### THOUGHT OF THE WEEK- The greatest among you

"The greatest among you must be your servant. All who exalt themselves will be humbled, and all who humble themselves will be exalted." The Gospel turns everything upside down – or should we say, it turns everything the right way up. The greatest is the least, by the very fact of thinking he's the greatest; and the least is the greatest, by the very fact of thinking he's the least.

For a Christian everything is on the ground. The word 'humility' comes from the Latin 'humus', which means earth. St Augustine said that God accepts sacrifices only from the altar of humility. Because everything is on the ground there are no bigwigs of any account. "Call no one on earth your father."

### 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 IS NEXT WEEK

The second collection next 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](http://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.

### **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 ADMISSIONS**

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 15<sup>th</sup> November 2023 at 2:10pm, Monday 20<sup>th</sup> November 2023 at 1:145pm and Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> 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 [governors@rcdow.org.uk](mailto:governors@rcdow.org.uk) or check out some of the vacancies at Interested in working in our Schools-Dioecese of Westminster Education Service [rcdow.org.uk](http://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 <https://jobs.rcdow.org.uk/>

### **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 3<sup>rd</sup> January 2024., call or text 07887 296983 or 07973 380443 or email [retrouvailleukinfo@gmail.com](mailto:retrouvailleukinfo@gmail.com) - or visit [www.retrouvaille.org.uk](http://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.