SUNDAY 15TH NOVEMBER 2026 + 33RD SUNDAY ORDINARY TIME+

MASSES THIS WEEKEND

14TH/15TH NOVEMBER



6.00 PM (SAT) ALICE CLIFFORD
9.30 AM HOLY SOULS
11.30 AM PAULINE HAWES **RIP**

FOLLOWED BY THE INTERMENT OF HER ASHES IN THE MEMORIAL GARDEN .

FOR THOSE WHO ARE SICK / IN NEED
Judy Doke, Ray King, Izabel Malheiros, Tom Cole, Josephine McRae, Ida Houlden, Teresa Collins, Audrey Farrell.
THOSE IN OUR NURSING HOMES especially Sarah Joyce, Katie Loftus, Hilda Minoli, Bill Garvey , Elizabeth King, Angela Johnson.

FOR OUR HOUSEBOUND PARISHIONERS
Marie Hardy**,** Pat Faille, Flora Zudthipunmare

FOR THOSE WHOSE ANNIVERSARIES OCCUR AROUND THIS TIME : Nicholas Paterson, Christina Enright, Teddy Keating, Sheila Keable, George Forrow,

RECENLTY DEPARTED: We pray for the repose of the soul of Alan Kybird recently departed.

THE CANDLE FOR THE SANCTUARY LAMP



has been donated this week
by Ivone Fernando for

IRA'S BIRTHDAY INTS



THE VIGIL LAMP AT OUR LADY



burns this coming week
for the intentions of

JOSH AND MANAR

On the week of their marriage

Dear Parishioners,

"Well done good and faithful servant. Come, share in your master's joy."

This Sunday we hear the parable Jesus tells about a rich man entrusting different amounts of talents to his servants as he goes away on a long journey. The rich man simply gives his servants the money and doesn't tell them what to do with it or how to invest it. He trusts them enough to let them decide how best to use what they have been given. The first two servants invest their money and so double the amount given. The third servant, for whatever reason simply buries the money in the ground. When the rich man returns, he calls in his servants and asks them to account for the money he gave them. This parable speaks to us of God and how he treats us. We have all been given gifts and talents and the important thing is not what we have been given but how we use what has been entrusted to us. God calls us, God loves and as we see in this parable, God also trusts us. Our talents are not just for ourselves; they are to be used to proclaim the Gospel and build the Kingdom of God. Think of the trust God has in each of us and the risk he takes with us. We are now living in a time when we are waiting for the Lord to return. This parable teaches each of us what to do during this time of waiting. Our waiting is not to be simply passive but to live our lives in such a way that we can use all the many gifts and talents God has given to each of us. The greatest gift we will ever receive is what has been made possible for us by the gift of Jesus and his sacrifice for us on the Cross. This has brought God's grace, mercy and love to us in a definitive way. Our response, our investment, is how we spend this gift; how we offer God our love and how we share our love with others. Let us reflect this week on how we can choose the path and a life of faithfulness and fruitfulness which leads to blessedness so that God can say to each of us,
"Well done, good and faithful servant. Come share in your master's joy. *God Bless You,* ***Fr Martin***

SICK AND RETIRED PRIESTS IN THE DIOCESE OF WESTMINSTER. The number of our priests over the age of 75 is steadily increasing, and 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. Whilst we work with the NHS and local authorities to ensure funding gaps are met, we still rely heavily on the generosity of parishioners who contribute to this worthy fund each year. There will be retiring collections after all the masses this weekend.

SVP will meet this Sunday at 10.45 am, after the 9.30am mass in the library.

FEAST CHRIST THE KING next **SUNDAY 22ND NOVEMBER** The 9.30 am mass will be a mass for the children, with crowns made at the children's liturgy next weekend and children taking part in the mass. This will be followed by a **PARISH BREAKFAST** in the hall with sausage, egg or bacon rolls.

CARITAS ADVENT CALENDAR next weekend, we will be hearing from our parish caritas representative about the calendar launch for advent, where we have the opportunity to collect items each day to be distributed later to the foodbank.

CARITAS WEDNESDAY GROUP some exciting news to share. The launch of a social group, intended to meet fortnightly on a Wednesday afternoon, with an opportunity for a chat over a cuppa, alongside activities currently being planned, such as crafts, bingo and things which support the local community and church, is going to start shortly. More information to follow next week.

MASS TIMES

16th November –22nd November

DAY	CHURCH OPEN	MASS TIMES	INTENTIONS / DETAILS / FEAST
MON 16TH NOV	9 AM TO 11 AM	**9.30 AM**	VIVIEN– THANKSGIVING FOR THE GIFT OF LIFE ST EDMUND OF ABINGDON
TUES 17TH NOV	9 AM TO 11 AM	**9.30 AM**	OLIVER YOUNG **INTS** ST HUGH
WED 18TH NOV	9 AM TO 11 AM	**9.30 AM**	HOLY SOULS THE DEDICATION OF THE BASILICAS OF SS.PETER & PAUL
THURS 19TH NOV	10 AM TO 11 AM	**NO MASS**	**ROSARY AND EXPOSITION**
FRI 20TH NOV	9 AM TO 11 AM	**9.30 AM**	JONI CULLEN (L/D) **RIP**
SAT 21ST-NOV	9 AM TO 11 AM	**9.30 AM**	HOLY SOULS **FOLLOWED BY EXPOSITION AND CONFESSIONS** BLESSED VIRGIN MARY
SUN 22ND-NOV		**6.00 PM (SAT)** **9.30 AM** **11.30AM**	RICHARD AND JACK KEATING **RIP** HOLY SOULS PEOPLE OF THE PARISH OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST– KING OF THE UNIVERSE

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SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION - if you are in year 9 school year or above and would like to receive the sacrament of confirmation in on **20th June 2027,** applications are now open. Forms can be found as you come into church or on the parish website**.**

SACRAMENT OF FIRST HOLY COMMUNION If your child is in year 3 or above and you would like to enrol for the First Reconciliation and Holy Communion programme, commencing in January 2027, with the First Holy Communion mass taking place on **8th May 2027,**please complete the forms found in the narthex or download them from the website. The closing date for applications is **30th November.**

HELPING OUR PARISH WITH YOUR TIME AND TALENTS We know from the recent Parish Survey and Open Meeting that people around the parish would like to see more social events, particularly for the elderly, outreach to the wider community and combined events with younger people. If you would like to become more involved, sharing your talents to help explore these areas, or for any of the different activities that currently go on here, and you don't know whom to contact, just email me anthony.inglese@btinternet.com or whatsapp 07710 160977 and I will get back to you. **Anthony Inglese, Chair of the PPC** "for it is in giving that we receive…"*St Francis*

DATES FOR THE DIARY



CHURCH GARDENS WORK IN DAY—SATURDAY 21ST NOVEMBER 10 AM to put the church garden to bed for the Winter. If any of our Landscaping Team are unavailable, please attend your nominated plot separately. We are also looking for new members to join the dedicated group and make light work of what could otherwise be an overwhelming task. As usual, tea/coffee and biscuits will be available and a social gathering of which you would be proud. Any questions please call Madaline—020 8866 7706

THE LIFE ASCENDING GROUP The next meeting will be **WEDNESDAY 25TH NOVEMBER AT 2.30 PM** in the Library and every fortnight thereafter. Their welcome extends to all Christians in their middle to later years.

DATE FOR YOUR DIARY -SATURDAY 5TH DECEMBER an evening of song for Christmas led by the Folk Group. 7.00 pm and singing starts at 7.30. No charge for the evening, There will be a voluntary collection for Michael Sobell Hospice and for vital Church Maintenance. Bring your own picnic for you and your guests. See posters for details and sign up sheet if you are coming.

FOODBANK next collection will be **MON 7TH DECEMBER** the last before Christmas.