

**CATHOLIC PARISH OF HEMEL WEST**  
**31ST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**  
**30 October 2022**

Sunday cycle  
Readings Year C  
Weekday readings  
Year 2  
Divine Office  
Week 3



***TODAY'S MASS***

**Salvation comes to  
the house of Zacchaeus**

**SICK & RETIRED PRIEST'S**

The second collection next weekend 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. 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. This is our chance to say thank you to our sick and retired priests who have given so much. 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. Please continue to pray for the wellbeing of all of our clergy: active, retired and ill. You can donate online at [www.rcdow.org.uk/donations](http://www.rcdow.org.uk/donations) or by the envelopes provided at the back of the church. You can also scan the QR Code on the poster in the church foyer to donate.

# PARISH NEWS

**Welcome to the parish of Hemel West. If you are new to the parish, please make yourself known to Fr Brian, by contacting him on 01442 391 759.**

**WEDNESDAY WEEKDAY MASS:** A reminder that as from Wednesday 2 November (All Souls Day) the Wednesday Mass during term-time will be at 1.30pm at St Mark's church in the grounds of the John F Kennedy school. Parking is available in the local area. Please be at the main school reception of the school for no later than 1.15pm. From there Callum Moore will escort you down to St Marks for Mass. After Mass there will be hospitality in the parish room, attended by students from the school. Do note that outside of term-time, Mass will revert to 10am at Boxmoor. Please keep an eye on the newsletter for any variations to Mass schedules, or alternatively check Mass times on the parish website.

**NOVEMBER THE MONTH OF THE HOLY SOULS:** It will be November next week when we remember the Holy Souls who are in Purgatory. Amongst them may be members of our deceased family and friends, just as many of our family and friends may already be in Heaven. The Church commemorates all her faithful children who have departed from this life but have not yet attained the joys of Heaven. Purgatory is not eternal. Its duration varies according to the nature of our particular judgment, immediately following our death. It is a time of mercy to enable us to be purified of all attachments to sin and desire only God himself, so that we may enter Heaven. Our deceased family and friends, if they are in Purgatory, are completely in the hands of God and therefore rely on our prayers for the repose of their souls. I encourage you to write their names on the purple sheets provided and place them directly into the white Parish Prayer Box. The box will be placed at the foot of the altar and remembered at all Masses during November and especially during **All Souls Day Masses on Wednesday 2 November, which are at 1.30pm at St Mark's and 8pm at Ss Mary & Joseph.** If you would like to make an offering, then please place it in the blue 'how you

can help our parish' envelope, and pop it into the offertory basket or better still use the contactless machine. Please tick the Holy Souls box on the envelope and Gift Aid your donation if you are a taxpayer. An offering of £10 or more is suggested. Please note that it is not necessary to make a donation and your list of names can be put into the white Parish Prayer Box directly, without making an offering using the blue envelope.

**FIRST FRIDAY HOLY HOUR:** There will be a Holy Hour following on from the 10am Mass on Friday 4 November. The Holy Hour will be in honour of the Sacred Heart of Jesus, with Eucharistic Adoration and concluding with Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament at 11.30am. The sacrament of reconciliation (confession) will be celebrated between 9.15am and 9.45am.

**CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE:** We invite you to our next meeting on Thursday 3 November, 7.30pm in St Joseph's Hall. Eileen Whitehouse, will give a demonstration on Christmas Flower arrangements. Please do join us for fun and fellowship. Call 07847 167969 for more details.

**CONFIRMATION 2023:** The confirmation preparation course for the Hemel parishes will be 7 formation sessions running from the 27 February 2023, on Monday evenings from 6.30pm until 8pm. Candidates are expected to attend all sessions as well as weekly Mass. If anyone in years 9 up to the age of 18 would like to take part in the programme please fill in the form following the link: <https://forms.gle/qAs6NzaiXVqNzMq76> If you would like further information please contact Callum at [cmoore@jfk.herts.sch.uk](mailto:cmoore@jfk.herts.sch.uk). The parent's information evening will be on the 12 December, 6.30pm at St Marks Church.

**WORLD MISSION SUNDAY:** Thank you for your donations to World Mission Sunday. Please continue to pray for the work of Missio. To continue supporting throughout the year, please go to [missio.org.uk](http://missio.org.uk) or call 020 7821 9755. If you are donating using cash or cheque please put the envelope in the offertory basket during Mass. If you are donating with credit/debit card please return the envelope directly to Missio.

## SCHOOLS

### ST CUTHBERT MAYNE SCHOOL ADMISSION ARRANGEMENTS FOR 2024/25:

St Cuthbert Mayne Junior School is consulting on the proposed admissions arrangements for the school year 2024/25. The Proposed Admission Policy documents are available on the link: St Cuthbert Mayne School Admissions 2024-2025 Consultation. Please send your responses or comments to the Governors at [sbm@cuthbertmayne.herts.sch.uk](mailto:sbm@cuthbertmayne.herts.sch.uk)

**ST ALBERT THE GREAT SCHOOL:** We invite you to join our school tour for Reception 2023 on the following dates and times: Tuesday 8 November, 9:30am, Thursday 24 November, 2pm, Tuesday 6 December, 2pm and Thursday 8 December at 9:30am. Please call 264 835 or email [admin@albertthegreat.herts.sch.uk](mailto:admin@albertthegreat.herts.sch.uk) to book. Applications open on Tuesday 1 November and close on Sunday 15 January.

**ST ALBERT THE GREAT:** St Albert the Great School is consulting on the proposed admission arrangements for the school year 2024/25. The consultation period runs from 31 October until 12 December 2022. The proposed arrangements and more information are available on the school website. We welcome your comments and they can be sent to [admin@albertthegreat.herts.sch.uk](mailto:admin@albertthegreat.herts.sch.uk)

### CERTIFICATE OF CATHOLIC PRACTICE FOR INFANT SCHOOL:

If you are a parent who is looking to have your child attend a Catholic school in September 2023, you will find it helpful to read the guidance for the issuing of such a document, on the Hemel West parish website: <https://parish.rcdow.org.uk/> and click on the link [hemelhempsteadwest/parish-forms/certificate-of-catholic-practice/](https://parish.rcdow.org.uk/hemelhempsteadwest/parish-forms/certificate-of-catholic-practice/) Request's for CCP will open on Tuesday 1 November and will close on Monday 21 November. Please do not request a certificate before this date as your request will not be accepted. The closing date to collect certificates will be Thursday 1 December 2022.

Please join us for tea/coffee, in St Joseph's Hall after the 10.15am Mass. All are welcome.

**E-ALERT:** Please sign up for the parish e-alerts and keep up with all the parish news.

### GOSPEL READINGS FOR THE FORTHCOMING WEEK:

Mon. Luke 14: 12-14

Tues. Luke 14: 15-24

Wed. Luke 14: 25-33

Thurs. Luke 15: 1-10

Fri. Luke 16: 1-8

Sat. Luke 16: 9-15

Sun Luke 20: 27-38

### PARISH FINANCES

**PLANNED GIVING:** Thank you to all those who have made the switch to donating by Standing Order. For those who wish to donate in this way, the details are:

Account Name: **WRCDT Hemel West**

Sort Code: **40-05-20**

Account No.: **31095048**

The offertory collection Income figures are published on a monthly basis once the bank reconciliation is completed.

### Office Hours and Telephone cover for Hemel West.

Email: [shirleybailey@rcdow.org.uk](mailto:shirleybailey@rcdow.org.uk)

Phone: 01442 391 759 option 2

| Telephone cover for West          | Hemel West Office Hours           |
|-----------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| <b>Monday</b><br>12 noon-6pm      | <b>Monday</b><br>3pm-6pm          |
| <b>Tuesday</b><br>9.30am-3.30pm   | <b>Tuesday</b><br>Closed          |
| <b>Wednesday</b><br>9.30am-3.30pm | <b>Wednesday</b><br>9.30am-3.30pm |
| <b>Thursday</b><br>9.30am-3.30pm  | <b>Thursday</b><br>9.30am-12.30pm |
| <b>Friday</b><br>9.30am-3.30pm    | <b>Friday</b><br>9.30am-12.30pm   |

## HOLY MASS

|                   |                                     |                                                                         |                                                                                           |
|-------------------|-------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <b>SUN 30 Oct</b> | <b>31st Sunday in Ordinary Time</b> | (SMSJ) 6pm (Vigil)<br>(SMSJ) 8.30am<br>(SMSJ) 10.15am<br>(SMSJ) 12 noon | Pro Populo<br>Lourda O'Leary (RIP)                                                        |
| <b>MON 31 Oct</b> | feria                               | (SMSJ) 10am                                                             | Greta Williams (RIP) & Peace to her Family                                                |
| <b>TUE 1 Nov</b>  | <b>ALL SAINTS</b>                   | (SMSJ) 10am<br>(SMSJ) 8pm                                               | All Saints<br>All Saints                                                                  |
| <b>WED 2 Nov</b>  | <b>ALL SOULS DAY</b>                | (SM) 1.30pm<br>(SMSJ) 8pm                                               | Holy Father<br>The Faithful Departed                                                      |
| <b>THU 3 Nov</b>  | feria                               |                                                                         | No Public Mass                                                                            |
| <b>FRI 4 Nov</b>  | St Charles Borromeo                 | (SMSJ) 10am<br>(SMSJ) 10.30am                                           | William Patrick Ryan (RIP) Know as Liam<br>Holy Hour, Eucharistic Adoration & Benediction |
| <b>SAT 5 Nov</b>  | feria                               | (SMSJ) 6pm                                                              | Pray for the Utilities Companies                                                          |
| <b>SUN 6 Nov</b>  | <b>32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time</b> | (SMSJ) 8.30am<br>(SMSJ) 10.15am<br>(SM) 12 noon                         | Pro Populo<br>The Faithful Departed<br>Jack O'Malley (RIP)                                |

**MASS INTENTIONS:** If you would like a Mass offered for a deceased family member or a friend, or for any other intention, do let Shirley Bailey know by emailing her at [shirleybailey@rcdow.org.uk](mailto:shirleybailey@rcdow.org.uk) or you can call her on 01442 391 759. It is customary to make an offering and the diocese recommends £10 per Mass. If this is unaffordable for you, please feel free to make an offering you can afford.

**SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION:** **Saturday:** 5pm-5.30pm at SS Mary & Joseph church and by appointment.



Please switch off  
all mobile phones

### MAKING CONTACT AT HEMEL WEST CATHOLIC PARISH


**Parish Priest:** Fr Brian McMahon      [brianmcmahon@rcdow.org.uk](mailto:brianmcmahon@rcdow.org.uk) ( Opt 3)

**Parish Administrator:** Shirley Bailey      [shirleybailey@rcdow.org.uk](mailto:shirleybailey@rcdow.org.uk) ( Opt 2)

**Hall Bookings:** via Shirley or [hemelwesthallbookings@rcdow.org.uk](mailto:hemelwesthallbookings@rcdow.org.uk) (In Office Hours)

**Address:** The Presbytery, 186 St John's Road, Hemel Hempstead, Herts. HP1 1NR

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