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St Augustine's Catholic Church

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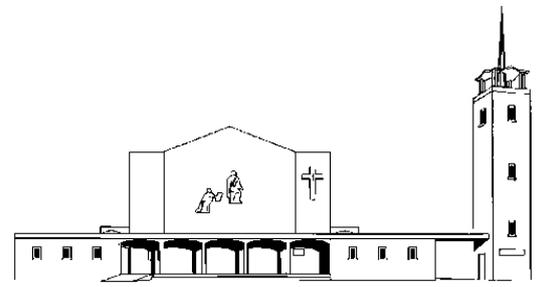
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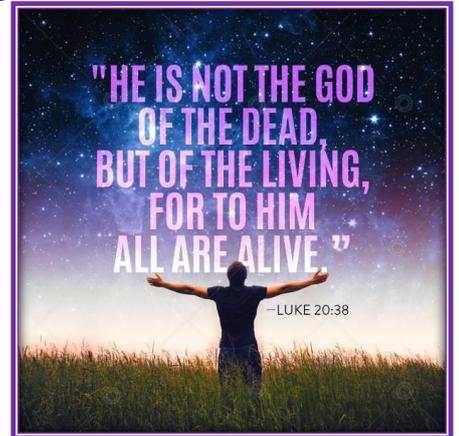
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Year C THIRTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME 6TH NOVEMBER 2022

Gospel: Luke 20: 27-38

He is God, not of the dead, but of the living.

The season of remembrance is upon us. For most this is about looking backwards, to a world that has been. It is right that we give thanks and pray for those who have died, who I have no doubt would want us to pray also for ourselves that we would not replicate the mistakes of the past. For those in Christ, remembrance has always to be looking forward to a world that is in the process of becoming. I'm writing this between All Saints (All Hallows) Day and All Souls Day both of which remind us that the saints and the faithful departed, though having died, are very much alive. The sceptic says that they are alive in our memories and warm thoughts. No, we protest. We say that in reality and objectively, the saints and the faithful departed are alive because their souls are immortal. It is God's intention that one day these souls will be reunited with their bodies, not the bodies of decay but new glorious bodies like Jesus' own resurrected body. Everything about the saints and the faithful departed fills us with hope, assurance, light and love, that we look forward to the future rather than mourn the past. The saints draw us beyond ourselves to contemplate higher things than this mortal life affords, and to cherish Jesus who is the same today, yesterday as tomorrow. We are conscious of being ushered into the same fellowship as them, members of the same heavenly family, gathered around the same table in the here and now, they in heaven we on earth. Between us and heaven and us, there is a real economy of grace, where their prayers for us and the prayers we ask of them, embolden us to walk their same path. Inspired by the conviction of their lives and the beatific vision which we know they already glimpse, we yearn to become more faithful disciples of Christ for the future. What is true of All Saints is true also of All Souls. The Heavenly Jerusalem is the church not only of the firstborn but of the spirits of the righteous made perfect. Though the faithful departed undergo whatever purgation and cleansing is necessary, all await the restoration of all things, the future fulfilment of God's Kingdom and the pledged state of blessedness. This is Jesus's promise to those who enter into loving relationship with Him, who acknowledging their need of God, trust in his victorious cross and resurrection. All our entrenched ideas of God and humanity, are overturned by Jesus' words today. '*God is not the God of the dead, but of the living, for to him all men are infact alive*'. Need anyone fear death? Only if we are destroying our soul and the soul of others. Reject the culture of death, and our contribution towards it. Embrace Christ. Acknowledge His saving grace. Give God the honour due to his Name. Celebrate His Risen Life which is our life as well.



Fr Julian

PRAYER & LITURGY



WE PRAY for our departed relatives and friends from the past year: Erlinda Cabrera-Velasco, Henry Caldecote, Pauline Callanan, Godwin Castaldi, Giuseppa Cuffaro, Marjorie Davies, Margherita Diesi, James Dignan, Peter Dredge, Maureen Fallon,

Bernadette Field, Assunta Fonzo, Maria Gaiteri, Anna Gianfrancesco, Brenda Gosling, Ian Hunter, Ann Jenkins, John Kelly, Marie Laydon, Giuseppe Maniscalco, Luigi Masucci, Michele Melillo, Pietro Morreale, Rosalind Needham, Pasquala Orlandi, Roy Peacock, James Pearce, Kathleen Pewter, Francesca Pizzo, Domenico Provenzano, Maria Randazzo, Sebastiano Randazzo, Marty Rooney, Giuseppa Rotondo, Vincenzo Segameglio, Anne Smith, Joanne Smith, Joseph Stephens, Giuseppa Tamburello, Giovanni Tuzzeo, David Turpin, Sheila Turpin, Norman Waite, and Michael Whyton. Eternal rest grant unto them O Lord.

PLEASE PRAY for all those who have died recently including Pietro Perzia, Angela Oranye, Giuseppina Lanza & Anna Gianfrancesco and for all those whose anniversaries occur at this time including George Buhagiar, Quintino Mazziotta, Vincent Byrne, Antonino Cuffaro, Luigi Ereddia, Peter Dredge, Benedetto Provenzano, Anne Perkins, Vera Brown, Vincenzo Imbrogino and Peter Fitch. *May their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed through the mercy of God rest in peace.*

ANNA GIANFRANCESCO of Reeves Lane, died recently, aged 80. Her Requiem will be on **Wednesday 16th November at 12 noon** with Don Antonio.

PIETRO PERZIA of High Street, died recently, aged 76. His Requiem will be on **Monday 21st November at 11am.**

ANGELA ORANYE of Pulham Avenue, died recently aged 45. Her Requiem will be on **Wednesday 23rd November at 11am.**

GIUSEPPINA LANZA of Woodgrange Terrace died recently aged 80. Her Requiem will be on **Monday 5th December** at 12 noon with Don Antonio. *May they rest in peace.*

NOVEMBER LIST OF THE DECEASED:

Lists for you to write the names of your departed relatives and friends are beside the newsletters. Please

return the lists to the presbytery, along with any Mass offering. During November, the lists will be kept on the altar and at least one Mass a day will be offered for the Holy Souls.



NOVEMBER PRAYERS AT CEMETERY: Fr Julian will lead Rosary prayers and bless the graves of the deceased parish members at Woollensbrook Cemetery on **Saturday 12th November at 11.30am.**

WEEKDAY MASS will be held in the **crypt next week** as the church is being painted. From next week, Exposition will be at 6pm instead of 7pm in the Lady Chapel, due to the redecoration.

SICK & RETIRED PRIESTS' COLLECTION: **Next weekend** we will take up the annual collection to support the sick & retired priests of the Diocese. Most priests offer their resignation at 75, but many continue to serve in our schools, hospitals, hospices and parishes. By supporting the 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. **Envelopes are attached to the newsletter and will be collected next weekend.** You can also make your donation by scanning the QR code.



ALTAR SERVERS TRAINING will be held in church on **Saturday 19th November at 11.30am.** Any child who has made their First Holy Communion and would like to become a server, please contact the presbytery.

CHILDREN'S CHOIR: Gabby will be resuming the Children's Choir at the 9.15am Mass on Sunday mornings. If your child would like to join the choir, Gabby will be playing **13th, & 27th November.** Please ensure that your child arrives at church at 9am and goes straight to the organ loft, so there will be time to run through the hymns before Mass.

WARM SPACES PROJECT: A Warm Spaces project is being set up as part of Churches Together. It is anticipated that people will value somewhere warm and welcoming to go during the day, so they



don't have to spend so much money on heating their homes. This will be for people of all ages. The Warm Spaces will be open from the 7th Nov 2022 to 31st March 2023. A number of warm spaces will be provided across the Borough. **We will provide a warm space in our crypt on Tuesdays, starting on the 8th November, from 2.30pm-5.00pm.** Each venue will offer hot drinks and soup. For further info, please see the noticeboard in the church and also in the crypt.



WORLD YOUTH DAY will be held in Lisbon, Portugal from the 1st-6th August 2023. More details will follow in due course.

FINANCE

PARISH FINANCE: Thank you so much to all who continue to give regularly by S.O., or by envelope. For those whose finances are more stable at present, please consider your parish giving, to help the parish out. Please see <https://parish.rcdow.org.uk/hoddesdon/donate/> for the details, or fill in [this form](#). For a Standing Order, here are the necessary details:

Account Name:	WRCDT Hoddesdon
Sort Code:	40-05-20
Account Number:	31264370

CONTACTLESS GIVING AT MASS: There is a device for giving your weekly offering to the parish for its upkeep contactlessly, by card. The device is at the LEFT-HAND exit door from church as you leave Mass.

HOUSEBOUND & SICK PARISHIONERS

PLEASE TELL US IF ANYONE IS HOUSEBOUND, EVEN TEMPORARILY, SO THEY CAN BE VISITED & HAVE THE OPPORTUNITY TO RECEIVE HOLY COMMUNION AT HOME.

Housebound parishioners may like to know that Mass is regularly broadcast on the internet from the Catholic Church in Bishops Stortford: <http://www.churchservices.tv/bishopsstortford>

IF YOU GO IN TO HOSPITAL: If someone is sick in hospital, please let us know here at the

Presbytery, and/or ask the staff on the ward, so that your loved one can be visited whilst in hospital, and receive Holy Communion and any other Sacraments from the Chaplain.

Chaplains are: Lister, John O'Neill 01438-285138 or 07876-526935; Princess Alexandra, Fr Leszek Gamracy 01279-426017

CATECHETICS

RCIA: 'Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults: If you are considering becoming a Catholic or are an adult Catholic wishing to be confirmed, our next meeting will be on **Tuesday 8th November** at 7.30pm in the presbytery.



CONFIRMATION PROGRAMME 2022/2023:



Application forms for the Confirmation programme for young people in Year 9 or above are available to collect from the presbytery. This is on the assumption that you regularly attend weekly Mass. Please return the form by **Sunday 6th November.**

BAPTISM COURSE: The next course will be held on **Saturday 26th November at 11.30am** in the church. The course must be completed before a Baptism can be arranged. To enrol on the course, please contact the presbytery.

SCHOOLS

ST AUGUSTINE'S SCHOOL has tours for new Reception and Nursery Parents on Thursday 3rd Nov at 2pm, Wed 9th Nov at 9.15am, Thurs 17th Nov at 2pm & Wed 23rd Nov at 9.15am. Please click this [link](#) to book a visit.

SOCIAL & MISCELLANEOUS

SUPPORT GROUP for those **undergoing separation or divorce** will be held on **Wednesday 16th November at 3pm in the presbytery.** We envisage there will be a social dimension to the group and occasional outside speakers to give advice. If you would like to join the group, please do contact the presbytery.

WORLD MISSION SUNDAY: The total raised was £408.52. Thank you!

200 CLUB winner for November is no. 17, Sharon Baldwin. Congratulations!

CHURCH CLEANING: Michele & Pelle De Luca, Sophie Lenguito & Alex Thomson.

Liturgy this week	Today's Liturgy
Sat 5th Nov Blessed Virgin Mary on Saturday 9.30am Exposition 10am Mass <i>Holy Souls</i>	Page 160 in the Mass books 1st Reading: 2 Maccabees 7: 1-2, 9-14 <i>The King of the world will raise us up to live again for ever.</i>
4.00pm Italian Mass* 6.30pm Mass* <i>Vincent Byrne RIP</i>	Ps 16 — I shall be filled, when I awake, with the sight of your glory, O Lord.
Sun 6th Nov 32nd SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME 9.15am Mass <i>Holy Souls</i> 11.15am Mass <i>For the Parish</i>	2nd Reading: 2 Thessalonians 2: 16-3:5 <i>May the Lord strengthen you in everything good that you do or say.</i>
Mon 7th November St Willibrord, Bishop 8.30am Exposition in the crypt 9.15am Mass in the crypt <i>Holy Souls</i> 6pm Exposition in the Lady Chapel	Gospel Accl.: <i>Alleluia, alleluia! Stay awake, praying at all times for the strength to stand with confidence before the Son of Man. Alleluia!</i>
Tues 8th November 8.30am Exposition in the crypt 9.15am Mass in the crypt <i>Holy Souls</i> 6pm Exposition in the Lady Chapel	Gospel: Luke 20: 27-38 <i>He is God, not of the dead, but of the living.</i>
Wed 9th Nov DEDICATION OF THE LATERAN BASILICA 8.30am Exposition in the crypt 9.15am Mass in the crypt <i>Holy Souls</i> followed by coffee in the crypt 6pm Exposition in the Lady Chapel	<p style="text-align: center;">NEXT WEEK'S READINGS 33RD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (YEAR C)</p> 1st Reading: Malachi 3: 19-20 2nd Reading: 2 Thessalonians 3: 7-12 Gospel: Luke 21: 5-19
Thurs 10th November St Leo the Great, Pope & Dr 8.30am Exposition in the crypt 9.15am Mass in the crypt <i>Holy Souls</i> NO Exposition	<p style="text-align: center;">SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION (CONFESSION)</p> Saturday 10.30 – 11am & 5.30 – 6.15pm Sunday 8.45 – 9am & 10.45 – 11am or ask Fr Julian at any other time.
Fri 11th November St Martin of Tours, Bishop (Abstinence from meat for those aged 14+) 11am Adoration of Blessed Sacrament/11.50 Benediction in the crypt 12 noon Mass in the crypt <i>Holy Souls</i> 6pm Exposition in the Lady Chapel	<p style="text-align: center;">ROSARY</p> The Rosary is often prayed in the Lady Chapel after weekday Mass and Saturday 10am Mass.
Sat 12th November St Josaphat, Bishop & Martyr 9.30am Exposition 10am Mass <i>Holy Souls</i>	<p style="text-align: center;">SACRAMENT OF ANOINTING OF THE SICK</p> Any parishioner sick, frail, or going into hospital for major surgery, can ask Fr Julian for the Sacrament of Anointing at any time.
4.00pm Italian Mass* 6.30pm* Mass <i>Antonino Grana RIP anniv</i>	<p style="text-align: center;">SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE</p> Catholics must approach their parish priest at least 6 months prior to their intended wedding, and before setting a wedding date.
Sun 13th November 33RD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME 9.15am Mass <i>For the Parish</i> 11.15am Requiem Mass <i>Holy Souls (REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY)</i>	<p style="text-align: center;">Westminster Roman Catholic Diocesan Trust Registered Charity No. 233699</p>
* Vigil Mass of Sunday	
REGULAR EVENTS	
Tues 8th 1pm lunch club, crypt	Tues 8th 7.30pm RCIA, presbytery

NEWSLETTER ITEMS TO PRESBYTERY IN WRITING, BY FAX, OR E-MAIL BY 9AM THURS WITH YOUR NAME & PHONE NO. — NEW PARISHIONERS Please take a parish membership form & information leaflet from the box attached to the notice board. The completed forms should be posted through the presbytery letterbox. **MOVING HOME?** Please post new details through the presbytery letterbox. **PARROCCHIANI:** *Si pregano tutti i parrocchiani di prendere i questionari (uno per ciascun famiglia) che si trovano vicino al tabellone degli avvisi. Una volta compilati, i questionari devono essere riconsegnati depositandoli nella cassetta della posta vicina alla statua di Sant'Antonio.*