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Mass this Sunday: Thirty Third Sunday in Ordinary Time (C) 17th November 2019

Today's Readings

Malachi 3:19-20 Harsh words for the wicked who will be left with nothing, but great consolation for those who remain faithful to God.

2 Thessalonians 3:7-12 A warning to those who will not contribute in any way to the community but who offer constant criticism to all and sundry instead.

Luke 21:5-19 Nothing can compare with the glory of the Son of Man, in this world or the next. Things in heaven and earth may pass away, but the Son of Man coming in glory will gather his own to himself in the end.

Saturday 16 th	6:30pm		<i>Intention</i>
Sunday 17 th	9:00am	Vitoria Leader (Intention)	
	10:30am	Holy Souls	
Tuesday 19 th	7:30pm	For Our Parishioners	
Wednesday 20 th	9:15am	Tony & Cula Ashdjian (Intention)	
Thursday 21 st	9:15am	Holy Souls	
	Presentation of The Blessed Virgin Mary	Holy Souls	
Friday 22 nd	9:15am	St Cecilia	Holy Souls

Sacrament of Reconciliation 5:45pm or by appointment

The Sanctuary Lamp burns for The Holy Souls

Parish Mission We give thanks to the Lord for his many blessings this last week, for the graces we have received and the gentle yet powerful renewal that the Holy Spirit brings. We are very grateful to Fr Kieran and Fr Peter for all that they have done with us and for us. Now it is our turn to build on what we have learned and to live, celebrate and share the Good News.

Last Week's Offertory This amounted to £547.59 Many thanks for all your generosity. We also receive about £600 each week in bank standing orders from parishioners. **Text Giving** If you wish to support the parish by giving £5 via your mobile 'phone, just text PARISH ROYST to 70800.

The First Holy Communion Programme will begin with the first Parent's Evening on Wednesday 20th November at 7:30pm, the first workshop for the candidates on Saturday 23rd November and the enrolment Mass on Sunday 24th at 10:30am.

RCIA If there are any more adults interested in exploring Catholicism or wanting to prepare for baptism, confirmation and/or reception into the Church, please fill in one of the enquiry forms as soon as possible. Thank you to those who have already shown an interest. We hope to have an initial meeting before the end of November.

Food Bank The 'Pink Box' will be left in the Church Porch to be available for those in need until a succession plan has been fully worked out for the Royston Foodbank.

Sick & Retired Priest's Collection Thank you for so generously supporting the Sick & Retired Priests' Fund collection last weekend. Our priests give us years of dedicated service and it is only right that, together, we ensure they live out their days with the care they need. If you didn't get the chance to donate, it's not too late. You can donate online at www.rcdow.org.uk/donations. Thank you again. Please keep our sick and retired priests in your prayers.

The House of Prayer will next meet on Thursday 21st November, 10 till 12, at 52 Cherry Drive. New members welcome

Catholic Women's League The next CWL meeting takes place on Monday 18th November at 7.30 pm in the Parish Hall. All welcome.

CWL Coffee Morning The CWL will be serving refreshments in the Parish Hall after **next** Sunday's Masses. There will be a cake stall and a Gift stall. We will also be selling tickets for our Christmas Hamper Raffle. Please come and support us.

Christmas Sale There will be a sale of items for Christmas at the CWL coffee morning on Sunday 24th November after each mass. Do please come along and support us. Contributions for sale are welcome. All proceeds to the Centenary Fund.

Volunteers Needed! As ever, we are reliant on the good nature and willingness to contribute of so many people. **We need counters, welcomers, readers, Eucharistic Ministers and Servers. Please see or e-mail Fr Philip if you can help.**

The God Who Speaks We are now in the Year of the Word. There are several Diocesan events advertised on our noticeboards. Please put in your diaries our Parish Afternoon of Reflection *Reading the Old Testament as Christian Scripture*. This will be on Sunday 8th December from 2pm. This is part of our parish commitment to provide opportunities for recollection for readers, but everyone is warmly invited to take part. Please bring along a Bible.

Leaving a Legacy to the Parish – Free will services
In recent years, internal and external improvements to the church and presbytery have been funded largely by legacies generously made by parishioners. Please consider making a legacy. November is "Make a will month". A number of Solicitors will write your will free of charge but request that you make a donation to the nine sponsored national charities, including Christian Aid.
These web sites explain all and allow you to enter your postal code to find the nearest participating practice: <http://www.willaid.org.uk>, <http://www.cancerresearchuk.org/get-involved/donate/leave-a-legacy-gift-in-your-will>.

Our parishioner, Terry Donellan, of the Walkers Partnership, 01763 241121 offers a **year-round free wills service**, sponsored by Cancer Research. CR pays your fee in the hope that you will leave it something in your will. However, you must be aged at least 55 to qualify

Coin Collection: The school and church will be jointly fundraising to help with the celebrations of the Church Centenary and the school's 50 years. We hope to create a large outline of both the Church and the School, then fill them in with coins; these can be either UK or overseas coins. There is a bucket in the Sacristy to collect your donations. Thank you

Diocesan Youth Events Please note two upcoming events. Westminster Youth Ministry is hosting a *Youth Mass* on Thursday 21 November at 6:30pm, in the crypt of Westminster Cathedral. Also *The Summit: Enfield 22 November*. The Summit is a chance for young people in the diocese to socialise, share a meal together, learn more about their faith and be introduced to a deeper level of prayer and adoration, supported by live contemporary worship music. More details at: <https://dowym.com/events/>

Holy Father's Prayer Intentions for November:
Dialogue and Reconciliation in the Near East That a spirit of dialogue, encounter, and reconciliation emerge in the Near East, where diverse religious communities share their lives together.

CAFOD World Gift Catalogue Stuck for a Christmas present? CAFOD World Gifts offers a great alternative for friends or family who don't *need* anything, but might appreciate a gift which helps poor communities to access services like basic healthcare, clean water, and education. CAFOD provides you with a certificate detailing a gift that has been given to a community overseas on your behalf. Please take home a CAFOD World Gift Catalogue after Mass (these are available at the back of church)

CAFOD Memorial Mass You are warmly invited to the annual CAFOD Memorial Mass, in memory of all our Supporters and Volunteers, at the Church of Christ the King, 29 Bramley Road, Oakwood, London N14 4HE at **11am on Wednesday 20 November** followed by refreshments in the Parish Centre.
If you would like someone to be included in our Book of Remembrance, please send us their name by calling CAFOD Westminster on 020 8449 6970 or emailing westminster@cafod.org.uk

Parish Office Please be advised that the Parish Office will be closed this Wednesday; it will, however, be open on Monday 9:30am to 12:30pm instead.

Cleaning Rota Monday – Pat Friday – Janine