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Mass this Sunday: Thirty Second Sunday in Ordinary TIme (A) 8th November 2026

Today's Readings

Wisdom 6:12-16 Wisdom is radiant and unfading. She is easily discerned by those who love her and is found by those who seek her.

1 Thessalonians 4:13-18 For since we believe that Jesus died and rose again, even so, through Jesus, God will bring to new life those who have fallen asleep.

Matthew 25:1-13 So stay awake, because you do not know either the day or the hour.

Mass This Week			**Intention**
Saturday 7th	6:30pm		Joan Walker (RIP)
Sunday 8th	9:00am	**Remembrance**	For Our Parishioners
	10:30am		Elizabeth McCormack (anniversary)
Tuesday 10th	6:00pm	St Leo the Great	Holy Souls
Wednesday 11th	9:15am	St Martin of Tours	The War Dead
Thursday 12th	9:15am	St Josaphat	Philip Hughes (RIP)
Friday 13th	9:15am	Weekday	Holy Souls

The Sanctuary Lamp burns for the Holy Souls
The Sacrament of Reconciliation may usually be celebrated during exposition (5: 30pm Saturday) or by appointment

Mass Offering
This QR code will take you to our parish online donation page.

First Holy Communion Programme
The next parent's meeting is on ***Wednesday 11th November at 7:30pm***
This will be followed by the children's workshop on ***Saturday 14th November 11:30am to 1pm.*** Please ensure you are on time as this will start promptly at 11:30am
The Link Mass is on ***Sunday 15th November at 10:30am***

Summer Internship Programme 2026-27
Applications are now open for the final year of the Catholic Teaching Internship Programme. This paid three-week placement offers second-year university students the opportunity to experience life in a Catholic school, receive mentoring from experienced educators, and explore teaching as a vocation. Please see the poster for further details and how to apply.

All Saints Party - 14th November 3-5pm in the Parish Hall. An afternoon of games and fun to journey along with the Saints in Heaven. We invite young children (and adults!) to come dressed up as their favourite saints. Bring and share refreshments welcome (no nuts please).

Sick & Retired Priests' Fund Next Weekend The retiring 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. Caring for our brother priests in their senior years, or at a time of illness, is a part of the mission of our diocese. By supporting the Sick & Retired Priests' Fund, you can help cover essential costs and give them piece of mind that in the event of an emergency, their needs will be met. Donation envelopes are available at the back of church. Please take one home, and bring it back next weekend with your donation. You can make a one off donation or you can set up a regular gift and become a Patron by completing section 4 on the envelope form. You can also donate online at www.rcdow.org.uk/SRP or scan the QR code. Please continue to pray for the wellbeing of all our clergy: active, retired and ill. Thank you.

Mass With Special Attention to Children And Adults With Additional Needs Our Lady Queen of Apostles, Welwyn Garden City, to be celebrated by Fr. Norbert Fernandes on Saturday, 21st November at 6pm, followed by refreshments, Bingo, Raffles, Quiz and Karaoke in the Trinity hall after Mass . All are most welcome, particularly parishioners and visitors with additional needs, together with their families, friends and carers.

Bible Society – Annual Open Meeting on Thursday 12th November Free entry, parking and refreshments. The main event will be a presentation on the history and impact of the first English translation of the New Testament. Take some cash for the Bric a Brac stall. Arrive at 7:30pm for a 7.45pm start at Christ Church (Evangelical) on York Way SG8 5HJ. If you would like to go but need a lift, contact Lawrie on 01763 243395.

Fair Trade Support Fair Trade this Advent and Christmas season. A selection of Christmas treats, including Advent calendars and other festive goodies, will be on sale after the Masses on the weekends of **15th and 22nd November**. By purchasing Fair Trade products, you are helping farmers and producers in developing countries receive a fair price for their work and better support their families and communities. ***Volunteers are also needed to help run the stall.*** If you can spare some time, please contact Lawrie (01763 243395), Natasha, Ann Cullen, or George Schlesinger. Thank you for your support.

St Mary's School would like to invite parishioners to join them for their Remembrance Assembly on ***Wednesday 11th November at 10:45am***. (entrance to the school will be via the playground) The assembly will be led by the pupils as they come together in prayer and reflection to remember and give thanks for the courage, bravery and sacrifice of all those who have served and given their lives for our freedom. They hope you can join them as we remember together.

The **Saint John Henry Newman School** invites senior citizens and older members of the community to their **Community Christmas Morning** on **Friday 27th November, from 10am to 11.30am**, a festive morning of seasonal music, entertainment and refreshments. If you would like to attend, please RSVP by calling **01438 314643** or emailing **events@jhn.herts.sch.uk**. When replying, please let them know of any dietary requirements or mobility needs.

The Holy Fathers Prayer Intentions for November
For The Proper Use Of Wealth Let us pray for the proper use of wealth, that not succumbing to the temptation of selfishness, it may always be put at the service the common good and solidarity of those who have less.

Remembrance Sunday falls on the Sunday nearest Armistice Day, 11 November, which marks the end of the First World War. On this day we remember all those who gave their lives for their country, all who suffered and died through acts of war and those who were left behind to grieve and mourn.In England and Wales one Mass for the Dead may be celebrated on this Sunday (Our 9am Mass)



O God, merciful and strong,
who crush wars and cast down the proud,
be pleased to banish violence
swiftly from our midst
and to wipe away all tears,
so that we may all truly deserve to be called your children.

Roman Missal