

PRAYING TOGETHER FOR THE CHURCH, THE WORLD, THE PARISH & ONE ANOTHER

SICK & HOUSEBOUND: Michael Fahey, Michael Griffin, Anne Hull, Gillian Gibbs, Catherine Kevill, Margaret O'Shea, Lionel Stonehouse, Edith Geissler, Marie Rego, Christopher Browne, Eileen Kidd, John and Angela McCarthy, Germaine Duffner, Sarah McCormack, Patrick McDonagh.

RECENTLY MARRIED: Julie Gardner and Stephen Grantham.

RECENTLY BAPTISED: Lucia Marshall, Nathan Fernandes, Blaine Rixon.

RECENTLY DEPARTED

ANNIVERSARIES OF THE DEPARTED: Anita Burton, Gray Kennady, John Walter Sammi, Jim Quinn (2nd), Margaret Ryan, David and Isabel Turnbull, Angela Deveza, Alan Cox (30th).

PLEASE PRAY for all taking part in Engaged Encounter in Hallam/Sheffield this weekend.

INTENTION OF POPE FRANCIS FOR NOV 2019

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.



PRAYER FOR THE YEAR OF THE WORD

Living God, you walk alongside us and speak to us throughout the Scriptures. Your Son, Jesus Christ, listens to our hopes and fears and shows us how to live for one another. Send us the Holy Spirit to open our hearts and minds so that we may be your witnesses throughout the world. Amen.
V. Your word is our path and your truth is our light.

R. This day and every day.

Our Lady of the Annunciation Pray for us

St Matthew Pray for us

St Jerome Pray for us

SANCTUARY LAMP

has been sponsored this week

In Memory of

JIM RUANE RIP

LAMP AT THE ALTAR OF

OUR LADY OF WALSHINGHAM

has been sponsored this week for

BIRTHDAY THANKSGIVING

ELIZABETH EKPENYONJ

ROSARY AT HOME:

This week the statue of Our Lady of Fatima will be at the home of

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off or to silent**

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The Catholic Parish
of St George, Sudbury



Sunday 10th November 2019 THIRTY-SECOND SUNDAY OF THE YEAR

Welcome to all at Mass today, especially to any visitors and particularly those who are here for the first time. Please take this sheet home with you which will tell you about this week's celebration and the activities during the week and also to remind you of our Liturgy today.

TODAY'S MASS



In today's Gospel discourse Jesus shows the limits of our imaginations when it comes to eternal life. The Sadducees argued against resurrection because of the limits of earthly existence. They did not imagine another possibility for existence and relationship with God. Jesus proposes that the possibilities of resurrected life are beyond our imaginations. Jesus' conclusion suggests

something else as well: To spend time worrying about resurrected life is to miss the point. The point is eternal relationship with God is possible, for God is the God of the living, "... for to him all are alive."

First Reading: 2 Maccabees 7:1-2,9-14

Jewish martyrs give witness to their faith, even unto death.

Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 17:1,5-6,8,15

The just person will live in God's presence.

Second Reading: 2 Thessalonians 2:16-3:5

St. Paul encourages the Thessalonians and asks for their prayers.

Gospel Reading: Luke 20:27-38

Jesus answers a question from some Sadducees about the resurrection of the dead.

SPIRITUAL QUOTE OF THE WEEK

"Let us consider beloved, how the Lord is continually revealing to us the resurrection that is to be. Of this He has constituted the Lord Jesus Christ the first-fruits,

SUNDAY REFLECTION

The Sadducees had one big problem – they could not conceive of heaven beyond what they could see with their naked eyes! Aren't we often like them? We don't recognize spiritual realities because we try to make heaven into an earthly image. The Sadducees came to Jesus with a test question to make the resurrection look ridiculous. The Sadducees, unlike the Pharisees, did not believe in immortality, nor in angels or evil spirits. Their religion was literally grounded in an earthly image of heaven. Jesus retorts by dealing with the fact of the resurrection. The scriptures give proof of it.

In Exodus 3:6, when God manifests his presence to Moses in the burning bush, the Lord tells him that he is the God of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob. He shows that the patriarchs who died hundreds of years previously were still alive in God. Jesus defeats their arguments by showing that God is a living God of a living people. God was the friend of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob when they lived. That friendship could not cease with death. As Psalm 73:23-24 states: *"I am continually with you; you hold my right hand. You guide me with your counsel, and afterward you*

will receive me to glory." The ultimate proof of the resurrection is the Lord Jesus and his victory over death when he rose from the tomb. Before Jesus raised Lazarus from the dead, he exclaimed: *"I am the resurrection and the life; he who believes in me, though he die, yet shall he live, and whoever lives and believes in me shall never die. Do you believe this?"* (John 11:25). Jesus asks us too the very same question: Do you believe in the resurrection and in the promise of eternal life with God?

The Holy Spirit reveals to us the eternal truths of God's unending love and the life he desires to share with us for all eternity. Paul the Apostle, quoting from the prophet Isaiah (Isaiah 64:4 & 65:17) states: *"What no eye has seen, nor ear heard, nor the heart of man conceived, what God has prepared for those who love him,"* God has revealed to us through the Spirit (1 Corinthians 2:9-10). The promise of paradise – heavenly bliss and unending life with an all-loving God – is beyond human reckoning. We have only begun to taste the first-fruits! Today's Gospel calls us who are Christians to live now in the joy and hope of the life of the age to come.



(before they prepare for their First Confession & First Holy Communion in Year 3). Classes take place on Fridays during term-time from 5.30-6.30pm. If you are interested in enrolling your child on the programme in the Spring Term please contact Peter a.s.a.p. at peterkingsley@rcdow.org.uk or speak to any of the parish Team.

CHILDREN'S NATIVITY – The **Children's Nativity** will once again be taking place at St. George's at the **Family Vigil Mass on Christmas Eve at 6pm**. If your children would like to take part or you would like to help please contact Bushra on **07843 053 076 / bushrakhosla@yahoo.co.uk**.

CONFIRMATION - In this Parish young people in **Year 10** and above are welcome to join our Confirmation Preparation Programme which takes place from **January to June**. Please keep an eye on the Newsletter in December for details of **Enrolment** which will take place in **January 2020**. Just in case you are booking holidays in advance, please note that the **Confirmation Service** at the Parish will be taking place on **Sunday 24th May at 2pm** (late May Bank Holiday weekend).

B-ATTITUDE SVP GROUP - Inspired by the vision of St. Vincent de Paul for social action, our B-Attitude group meets on the **1st & 3rd Thursday of the month** in the Parish Café Bar at 7.30pm. **Young people in the Parish aged 14-18** are welcome! For further information please contact Christine Cahillane on christinec58@hotmail.com /07881 400328.

SERVING AS A CATECHIST - Might you consider sharing your faith, serving the Parish as a Catechist? Teaching experience is helpful though not essential. If you would like further information please speak to one of the Clergy or contact our Catechetical Coordinator, Mr. Peter Kingsley, at peterkingsley@rcdow.org.uk.

FILM NIGHT: Our next Film Night on Friday 15th November will be a double bill of two short films. The first is the BBC adaptation of "The Snow Queen", followed by the 1961 classic "Hand in Hand". This short B&W film won a Golden Globe as well as 14 international awards. Doors open for refreshments at 6.45pm & the first will commence at 7.15pm. All Welcome.

DATES AHEAD:

BETHANY MASS Monday 18th November at 7.00pm
BETHANY LUNCH Monday 25th November at 12.30pm

MARY'S MEALS will be at St George's in the morning of Sunday 24th November at all morning Masses ONLY. Please bring any unwanted clothes then (and not before as we have nowhere to store them).

ADVENT DAY OF RECOLLECTION Saturday 30th November 9.30am-12.30pm finishing with a bread and soup lunch. If you are engaged in ministries of any type (i.e. Eucharistic Minister, readers, Catechists) This morning is for you but also anyone who wants to attend. No need to book—just turn up!

PRIMARY SCHOOL form signing— **Friday 6th December** 6.30pm-7.30pm in the parish centre

CHRISTMAS CELEBRATION EVENING: Saturday 14th December from 7.00-11.30pm in the Parish Centre. With Dinner, Live Band, Dancing, Bar, Raffle etc. Adults £17, Children (5-12 yrs) £7, under 5yrs free. Tickets available after Sunday Masses, from the Presbytery and Parish Office.

CAROLS BY CANDLELIGHT—Sunday 15th December at 7.30pm.

CHRISTMAS CEILIDH on Friday 20th December at 8pm in the parish centre. All Welcome.

SUNDAY COUNTERS: We are looking for new counters to join our teams, to work in groups of three, for approximately 3 hours on Sunday afternoons. This will be on a rota basis. If you are interested and think you are able to help please contact the parish team.

MASS INTENTIONS are booked into March 2020 and beyond. Remember to book your anniversary Masses early.

CHURCH LAMPS: If you would like to sponsor the blessed sacrament lamp or the lamp by the altar of Our Lady of Walsingham with a particular intention, the cost is £10 for the week. There are still some spaces in December. Please see Toni in the Parish Office.

CHURCH CLEANING: If you are able to volunteer for Church Cleaning please contact Julia on 020 8904 5324 for details. If you are already on our cleaning rota and are no longer able to help PLEASE let Julia or one of the Parish Team know.

HARROW SCHOOL ART CLASSES FOR SENIOR CITIZENS: Wednesday afternoons from 6 November to 4 December 2.15–3.15pm – Art School. This five-week course will cover a range of taught classes in drawing and painting as part of Harrow's Shaftesbury Enterprise programme. No experience is necessary, please contact Laurence Hedges (LWH@harrowsschool.org.uk) if you would like to sign up or for more details.

EAST LANE THEATRE—From **22nd to 29th November** our local amateur theatre group based at Vale Farm will be performing **Eden**, a play inspired by real events about the importance of fighting for what's right. Tickets are £14. For further information and to book tickets please visit www.eastlanetheatre.co.uk.

DO YOU NEED A CARER? Experienced parishioner available. Please ring 07956007719 for details.

FOR ALL PAINTING/DECORATING—Please ring David on 07904913443.

PROBLEM WITH YOUR COMPUTER? Tomasz can fix it. Help also with setting up phones/TV'S/ home security Call: 0208 058 2826. £20 per hour. Longer projects at negotiable prices.

WHITE/YELLOW FOLDER INFORMATION FOR THE FOLLOWING: (See in church porch)
BEGINNING EXPERIENCE helps separated, divorced or widowed Catholics.

SMART LOVING SEMINAR for married couples.
CATHOLIC SINGLES information

RETRouvaille—a lifeline for married couples.
WIDOWED YOUNG—support events.

CALIX CENTRE—A Catholic ministry to addicts.
ADULT FAITH FORMATION COURSES.

MARRIAGE/ENGAGED ENCOUNTER: www.wmme.org.uk

DIOCESAN AND SCHOOL VACANCIES please see folder in porch or School/diocesan website.

FOLDERS in the church porch: look for pilgrimages & retreats, job opportunities, schools & colleges information.

NEWS & VIEWS

NEW TO THE PARISH? if you are, please know you are very welcome. Please fill in one of the new parishioners forms at the back of church and we'll get back to you.

PLEASE LEAVE THE PEW NEAT AND TIDY AS YOU DEPART CHURCH TODAY. This is especially true if you have children using their worksheets. Please make sure they (or you) bring all the crayons back to the basket.

PARISH DIARY FOR THIS WEEK

Sunday 10 November:

Teas/Coffees after 9.45am and 11.15am Masses

Tuck Shop open today

Tuesday 12 November:

Small Group 10.15am
Over 60's Group 1.00pm
First Holy Communion 7.00pm
Set Dancing 8.30pm

Wednesday 13 November:

Knights of St. Columba 8.00pm

Thursday 14 November:

Church Cleaning Group B 10.30am

Friday 15 November:

Teas/coffees after morning Mass
Film Night doors open at 6.45pm

GOOD NEWS—CONSECRATION OF THE NEW ALTAR AND THE DEPOSITING OF THE RELICS OF THE SAINTS. The Cardinal has agreed to come and celebrate this important liturgy on Sunday 19th January at 11.15am. An important date for your diary!

SICK AND RETIRED PRIESTS' FUND COLLECTION: Today's second collection is for the Sick and Retired Priests' Fund. Please give generously and help ensure our sick and older priests are financially supported, having given us a lifetime of dedicated service. They have baptised us, welcomed us into the church and offered comfort and prayer at times of sorrow. Now we have a chance to give back and ensure they have peace of mind during their senior years. The fund is used to cover their essential needs at a time when they may be facing failing health and declining mobility. Your gift could help ensure our sick and retired priests have the housing, care and support they need. Please give generously using the envelopes in the church. You can also donate online at www.rcdow.org.uk/donations. Don't forget to gift aid your donation if you are a standard tax payer. Thank you in advance for your kindness.

HOLY BAPTISM: Information packs are available from the parish office. You can sign up there for the preparation course. Parents to be, i.e., before birth, are welcome to attend. **The date of the next baptism preparation course is Friday 29th November 2019 at 7.30pm** in the parish centre. Please let the parish office know if you are attending

THE REPOSITORY continues to be open after all Masses today with a selection of gifts and cards. If you think you could help with staffing the repository can you let one of the parish team know.

CHARITY CHRISTMAS CARD SALE - THIS Sunday 10th November after all morning Masses. Cards, cakes, raffle and more. All are welcome.

DURING THE AUTUMN when the leaves fall please try to shut the door after you when you come into church otherwise the building gets filled with leaves!

BLESSING OF GRAVES at Alperton Cemetery for the month of the Holy Souls on Saturday 16th November at 12 noon.

MASS IN THE CHAPEL OF SAINT MARY'S CEMETERY Kensal Green on Saturday November 16th at 10am.

DIVINE MERCY -The **Divine Mercy Chaplet** is recited in the church every Monday after the Rosary. All are welcome!

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION - The Catechists are continuing to help the children grow in confidence as they prepare to make their First Reconciliation (First Confession). If Parents/Carers are able to practice a little at home (using the leaflet that will be provided at next week's session as a guide) we would be v. grateful.

RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults) is our parish preparation for those who want to become Catholics. If you know someone who would like to join this group or you yourself, please speak to one of the parish team.

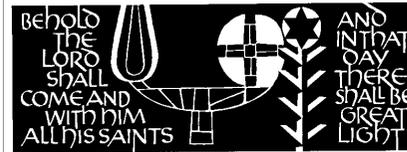
'BAPTISED & SENT' SMALL GROUP - Our Small Group is meeting again in the Café Bar this **Tuesday, 12th November, at 10.15am**. Reflecting on the lives of the Saints the group is exploring how, as Baptised Christians, we are called to share in Christ's mission for his Church in the world. All are welcome!

ADULT PARISH SVP GROUP? - The question is being asked as to whether we should start a **St. Vincent de Paul** Group for adults in the Parish. SVP aims to tackle poverty in all its forms through the provision of practical assistance to those in need. Full details of SVP's work can be found at www.svp.org.uk. If you would be interested please speak to one of the Parish Team or contact sudbury@rcdow.org.uk.

CHILDREN'S LITURGY AT 9.45AM FAMILY MASS—We are hugely grateful to our team of Catechists who generously provide a **Children's Liturgy at the 9.45am Family Mass**. Please, however, note that the **Children's Liturgy is ONLY for children from Reception to Year 2**. Older children are asked to remain in Church with their Parents/Carers.

FAITH CAFÉ - 'Faith Café' is a monthly opportunity to explore the Catholic faith. The next session on will be taking place in the Café Bar on **Wednesday 4th December**. Teas and coffees at **7.00pm** is followed by a video presentation and discussion at 7.30pm. All are welcome.

FRIENDS OF JESUS - The Friends of Jesus Programme at St. George's provides a little teaching on the Catholic faith to children not attending a Catholic Primary School in Years 1 & 2



THOUGHTS FOR NOVEMBER THE MONTH OF THE DEAD

All who die in God's grace and friendship, but still imperfectly purified, are indeed assured of their eternal salvation; but after death they undergo purification, so as to achieve the holiness necessary to enter the joy of heaven. The Church gives the name *Purgatory* to this final purification of the elect. This teaching is also based on the practice of prayer for the dead, already mentioned in Sacred Scripture: "Therefore [Judas Maccabeus] made atonement for the dead, that they might be delivered from their sin." From the beginning the Church has honoured the memory of the dead and offered prayers in suffrage for them, above all the Eucharistic sacrifice, so that, thus purified, they may attain the beatific vision of God. The Church also commends almsgiving, indulgences, and works of penance undertaken on behalf of the dead.

Catechism of the Catholic Church 1030-1032

PRAYER FOR THE DEPARTED

Almighty Eternal God, in Your fatherly goodness, be kind to the soul of Your servant, (Name). Cleanse him/her whom You have called from this world of all his/her faults, take him/her into the Realm of Light and Peace and into the Community of Your Saints, and give him/her his/her share of Eternal Delight in Your Kingdom. God, Creator and Saviour of all the faithful, forgive all the sins of all Your servants' souls. Let them receive forgiveness through our pious prayer, for which they have always been yearning. For this we pray through Jesus, Our Lord. Amen.

LITURGICAL CALENDAR & MASS INTENTIONS

SUNDAY MASS: 6.15pm (Saturday Vigil), 8.30am, 9.45am (Family) & 11.15am (Solemn), 5.30pm.

WEEKDAY MASS: Monday – Saturday 9.30am.

HOLIDAYS OF OBLIGATION: 9.30am, 8.00pm.

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION: Saturday 5.15-6.00pm.

CONFESSIONS: Saturday 5.15pm - 6.00pm. *and any time by appointment.*

DIVINE MERCY: Monday 10.30am.

ROSARY: Daily after Mass.

<i>Sun 10 November</i>	32nd OF THE YEAR
6.15pm (<i>Vigil</i>)	Gray Kennedy RIP & John Walter Sammi RIP
8.30am	Leo & Olga Barco RIP and For all the Souls in Purgatory
9.45am	Wally & Dorothy Watts RIP Marita & Robbie Ledo RIP Hermosinda Toucedo RIP
11.15am	Anita Burton RIP
5.30pm	PRO POPULO

Mon 11 November 9.30am	S. Martin of Tours Frank Hunt RIP
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Tues 12 November 9.30am	S. Josaphat David & Isabel Turnbull RIP
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Weds 13 November 9.30am	Of Requiem Emma Jane Kingston RIP
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Thurs 14 November 9.30am	Of Requiem Angela Deveza RIP
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Fri 15 November 9.30am	Of Requiem Jim Quinn RIP (2nd Anniversary)
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Sat 16 November 9.30am	S. Edmund of Abingdon Patricia Gallagher RIP
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<i>Sun 17 November</i>	33rd OF THE YEAR
6.15pm (<i>Vigil</i>)	Mary Carbery RIP
8.30am	Catherine Calnan RIP
9.45am	Margaret & Thomas Ryan RIP
11.15am	Eric Joseph and Pearly Agnes Henrick RIP
5.30pm	PRO POPULO

TODAY'S MASS

Entrance Antiphon Cf. Ps 88 (87): 3

Let my prayer come into your presence. Incline your ear to my cry for help, O Lord.

Collect

Almighty and merciful God, graciously keep from us all adversity, so that, unhindered in mind and body alike, we may pursue in freedom of heart the things that are yours. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

First Reading: 2 Maccabees 7:1-2.9-14

There were seven brothers who were arrested with their mother. The king tried to force them to taste pigs flesh, which the Law forbids, by torturing them with whips and scourges. One of them, acting as spokesman for the others, said, What are you trying to find out from us? We are prepared to die rather than break the Law of our ancestors.

With his last breath the second brother exclaimed, Inhuman fiend, you may discharge us from this present life, but the King of the world will raise us up, since it is for his laws that we die, to live again for ever.

After him, they amused themselves with the third, who on being asked for his tongue promptly thrust it out and boldly held out his hands, with these honourable words, It was heaven that gave me these limbs; for the sake of his

laws I disdain them; from him I hope to receive them again. The king and his attendants were astounded at the young mans courage and his utter indifference to suffering.

When this one was dead they subjected the fourth to the same savage torture. When he neared his end he cried, Ours is the better choice, to meet death at men's hands, yet relying on Gods promise that we shall be raised up by him; whereas for you there can be no resurrection, no new life.

Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 16

R/. I shall be filled when I awake, with the sight of your glory, O Lord.

1. Lord, hear a cause that is just, pay heed to my cry.

Turn your ear to my prayer: no deceit is on my lips. **R/.**

2. I kept my feet firmly in your paths; there was no faltering in my steps.

I am here and I call, you will hear me, O God.

Turn your ear to me; hear my words. **R/.**

3. Hide me in the shadow of your wings As for me, in my justice I shall see your face and be filled, when I awake, with the sight of your glory. **R/.**

Second Reading: 2 Thessalonians 2:16 - 3:5

May our Lord Jesus Christ himself, and

God our Father who has given us his love and, through his grace, such inexhaustible comfort and such sure hope, comfort you and strengthen you in everything good that you do or say. Finally, brothers, pray for us; pray that the Lord's message may spread quickly, and be received with honour as it was among you; and pray that we may be preserved from the interference of bigoted and evil people, for faith is not given to everyone. But the Lord is faithful, and he will give you strength and guard you from the evil one, and we, in the Lord, have every confidence that you are doing and will go on doing all that we tell you. May the Lord turn your hearts towards the love of God and the fortitude of Christ.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!

Stay awake, praying at all times for the strength to stand with confidence before the Son of Man.

Alleluia!

Gospel: Luke 20:27-38

Some Sadducees - those who say that there is no resurrection - approached Jesus and they put this question to him, 'Master, we have it from Moses in writing, that if a man's married brother dies childless, the man must marry the widow to raise up children for his brother. Well, then, there were seven brothers. The first, having married a wife, died childless. The second and then the third married the widow. And the same with all seven, they died leaving no children. Finally the woman

herself died. Now, at the resurrection, to which of them will she be wife since she had been married to all seven?' Jesus replied, 'The children of this world take wives and husbands, but those who are judged worthy of a place in the other world and in the resurrection from the dead do not marry because they can no longer die, for they are the same as the angels, and being children of the resurrection they are sons of God. And Moses himself implies that the dead rise again, in the passage about the bush where he calls the Lord the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac and the God of Jacob. Now he is God, not of the dead, but of the living; for to him all men are in fact alive.'

Prayer over the Offerings

Look with favour, we pray, O Lord, upon the sacrificial gifts offered here, that, celebrating in mystery the Passion of your Son, we may honour it with loving devotion. Through Christ our Lord.

Communion Antiphon Cf. Ps 23 (22): 1-2

The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want. Fresh and green are the pastures where he gives me repose, near restful waters he leads me.

Prayer after Communion

Nourished by this sacred gift, O Lord, we give you thanks and beseech your mercy, that, by the pouring forth of your Spirit, the grace of integrity may endure in those your heavenly power has entered. Through Christ our Lord.