

SUNDAY READINGS & PRAYERS

Entrance Antiphon *Jer 29: 11, 12, 14*

The Lord said: I think thoughts of peace and not of affliction. You will call upon me, and I will answer you, and I will lead back your captives from every place.

Collect

Grant us, we pray, O Lord our God, the constant gladness of being devoted to you, for it is full and lasting happiness to serve with constancy the author of all that is good. 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: *Malachi 3:19-20*

The day is coming now, burning like a furnace; and all the arrogant and the evil-doers will be like stubble. The day that is coming is going to burn them up, says the Lord of hosts, leaving them neither root nor stalk. But for you who fear my name, the sun of righteousness will shine out with healing in its rays.

Responsorial Psalm: *Ps. 97*

R/. The Lord comes to rule his people with fairness.

1. Sing psalms to the Lord with the harp with the sound of music. With trumpets and the sound of the horn acclaim the King, the Lord. *R/.*

2. Let the sea and all within it, thunder; the world, and all its peoples. Let the rivers clap their hands and the hills ring out their joy at the presence of the Lord. *R/.*

3. For the Lord comes, he comes to rule the earth. He will rule the world with justice and the peoples with fairness. *R/.*

Second Reading: *2 Thessalonians 3:7-12*

You know how you are supposed to imitate us: now we were not idle when we were with you, nor did we ever have our meals at anyone's table without paying for them; no, we worked night and day, slaving and straining, so as not to be a burden on any of you. This was not because we had no right to be, but in order to make ourselves an example for you to follow.

We gave you a rule when we were with you: not to let anyone have any food if he refused to do any work. Now we hear that there are some of you who are living in idleness, doing no work themselves but interfering with everyone else's. In the Lord Jesus Christ, we order and call on people of this kind to go on quietly working and earning the food that they eat.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!

Stay awake praying at all times for the strength to stand with the confidence before the Son of man. Alleluia!

Gospel: *Luke 21:5-19*

When some were talking about the Temple, remarking how it was adorned with fine stonework and votive offerings, Jesus said, 'All these things you are staring at now - the time will come when not a single stone will be left on another: everything will be destroyed.' And they put to him this question: 'Master,' they said, 'when will this happen, then, and what sign will there be that this is about to take place?' 'Take care not to be deceived,' he said, 'because many will come using my name and saying, "I am he" and, "The time is near at hand." Refuse to join them. And when you hear of wars and revolutions, do not be frightened, for this is something that must happen but the end is not soon.' Then he said to them, 'Nation will fight against nation, and kingdom against kingdom. There will be great earthquakes and plagues and famines here and there; there will be fearful sights and great signs from heaven.

'But before all this happens, men will seize you and persecute you; they will hand you over to the synagogues and to imprisonment, and bring you before kings and governors because of my name - and that will be your opportunity to bear witness. Keep this carefully in mind: you are not to prepare your defence, because I myself shall give you an eloquence and a wisdom that none of your opponents will be able to resist or contradict. You will be betrayed even by parents and brothers, relations and friends; and some of you will be put to death. You will be hated by all men on account of my name, but not a hair of your head will be lost. Your endurance will win you your lives.'

Prayer over the Offerings

Grant, O Lord, we pray, that what we offer in the sight of your majesty may obtain for us the grace of being devoted to you and gain us the prize of everlasting happiness. Through Christ our Lord.

Communion Antiphon *Ps 73 (72): 28*

To be near God is my happiness, to place my hope in God the Lord.

Prayer after Communion

We have partaken of the gifts of this sacred mystery, humbly imploring, O Lord, that what your Son commanded us to do in memory of him may bring us growth in charity. Through Christ our Lord.

ST. GEORGE'S CATHOLIC CHURCH, SUDBURY

Sunday 13th November 2022

THE THIRTY THIRD OF THE YEAR

Welcome to all at mass today and especially anyone who is new. Please take this Newsletter home with you. You may wish to share it with family and friends. This newsletter can also be found via our website. We ask God's blessing on you and your loved ones this week and know that we pray for you all each day.

Sunday Cycle
Readings Year C

Weekday Readings
Ordinary Time week 33
Year 2

Divine Office
Week 1

For children,
download a weekly sheet:
<http://www.sdc.me.uk/sundayliturgy/>

THIS WEEK

Sun 13 Nov	32nd SUNDAY OF THE YEAR Remembrance Sunday Rajir Dubey Ints. Jim Quinn RIP (5th anniv.) Baptiste Fernandes Ints. Anita Burton RIP (Requiem for War Dead) THE PEOPLE OF THE PARISH
6.15pm 8.30am 9.45am 11.15am	
5.30pm	
Mon 14 Nov	Of Requiem Robert & Paul Longuet RIP FUNERAL MASS John Hernon RIP
9.30am 11.30am	
Tues 15 Nov	Of Requiem Jim Quinn RIP (5th anniv.)
9.30am	
Weds 16 Nov	S. Edmund of Abingdon Paolo Zucconi RIP
9.30am	
Thurs 17 Nov	S. Hugh of Lincoln Asuncion dela Calzada RIP
9.30am	
Fri 18 Nov	Of Requiem Hector Fabron RIP
9.30am	
Sat 19 Nov	Of Requiem Dashantha Goonawardena RIP (2nd anniv.)
9.30am	
Sun 20 Nov	32nd SUNDAY OF THE YEAR Ann Bradley Cassidy THE PEOPLE OF THE PARISH Reg & Thom Ryan RIP Edward Johnston Snr RIP Hector Fabron RIP
6.15pm 8.30am 9.45am 11.15am 5.30pm	



TODAY'S MASS

In the second part of today's Gospel, Jesus warns that his followers will face persecution for their beliefs. Luke presents persecution as an opportunity for the followers of Jesus for "It will lead to your giving testimony" (Luke 21:13). In persecution God's wisdom and power will be shown in the example of followers of Jesus. Perseverance in the face of persecution will lead to their salvation. Here Jesus is assuring his followers that God is present to all believers, even in times of trouble. Ultimately, Jesus will witness to this with his own death. As disciples of

Jesus, we try to follow his example, trusting in God's mercy and protection, even when we are facing difficulties.

First Reading: *Malachi 3:19-20*

The day of justice is coming, says the Lord.

Responsorial Psalm: *Psalm 98:5-6,7-8,9*

Sing praise to God, who rules with justice.

Second Reading: *2 Thessalonians 3:7-12*

St. Paul urges the community to follow his example and to earn their keep.

Gospel Reading: *Luke 21:5-19*

Jesus predicts the destruction of the Temple in Jerusalem and warns his followers that persecution will come before the end time.

SPIRITUAL QUOTE OF THE WEEK

"If you don't behave as you believe, you will end by believing as you behave."
Ven. Fulton J. Sheen

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GOSPEL REFLECTION

DAILY MASS TIMES

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

WEEKDAY MASS: Monday – Saturday 9.30am.

HOLYDAYS OF OBLIGATION: 9.30am, 8.00pm.

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION: Friday 9.00-9.30am, Saturday 5.15-6.00pm.

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

DIVINE MERCY: Tuesday 10.30am.

ROSARY: Daily after Mass.

FOR YOUR PRAYERS

SICK & HOUSEBOUND: *Marie Rego, Eileen Kidd, Christopher Browne, Noel Gill, Dee Auriol, Allan Noronha, Fiona Power, SMR, Aaran Thayaparan, Jocalyn Almeida, John, Rowland Watts, Catherine Corcoran, Shaun Scoon and Helen Jordan, Sean Marren, Gerald Doody, George Beel*

RECENTLY BAPTISED: *Evin Seth Jayasinghe*

RECENTLY DEPARTED: *John Hemon, John Walsh, Isabel Scanlon, Neville Smith.*

ANNIVERSARIES OF THE DEPARTED: *Anita Burton, Dashantha Goonawardena, Hector Fabron, Robert Longuet, Jim Quinn, Paolo Zucconi*

BLESSED SACRAMENT LAMP

In memory of Maria Aurora Goes RIP

LAMP AT THE ALTAR OF OUR LADY OF WALSINGHAM

Intentions of Teresa Groome.

POPE FRANCIS' INTENTIONS FOR NOVEMBER

Children Who Suffer

We pray for children who are suffering, especially those who are homeless, orphans, and victims of war; may they be guaranteed access to education and the opportunity to experience family affection.



We live in a very secular, non-religious world, a world which often rejects and makes fun of or rejects religion because it is not scientific yet it is often so surprising how people latch onto, and get enthralled by all kinds of strange and weird ideas.

People read horoscopes, and use tarot cards. They may visit spiritualists or mediums. Or they buy crystals which are said to have particular properties. Or they rearrange their furniture in a particular way. Or they try yoga, or meditation, or the newest or strangest idea. They read, and believe books like the Da Vinci Code, or ideas that God was an astronaut. They believe in ghosts, and spirits, in reincarnation, previous lives, out of body experiences it goes on and on.

In this scientific world, so many people - perhaps most people - hold on to unscientific beliefs and strange ideas, which they have collected like magpies, with little thought or consideration whether the ideas fit together, or contradict one another.

Sometimes there may be some substance in some parts of some of these ideas. That's how they work. They have to have some little part that rings true in order to lead people into their fantasies. Science does not have all the answers. The world is spiritual as well as physical. There are unexplained phenomena.

And there is an explanation and an answer to our deepest human longings and our most troubling questions. There is a life beyond this life. A hope of resurrection. A God who loves us. A heavenly host who surrounds him. A guardian angel who accompanies us. There is a faith which is beautiful in both its simplicity and its consistency. It makes sense. It fits together. It stands the test of time. It is taught by an authority given to us by Christ himself.

Yet so many overlook this, or reject it. They want novelty. They want pick and mix religion. They want to choose and select, not receive what has been given. The trouble is that some people will believe almost anything, provided it is different, and strange. The great writer GK Chesterton got it exactly right: "When people cease to believe in something, then they will believe in anything".

Today's gospel is a simple reminder that in our journey of Christian discipleship we should keep focused on the Lord and not be side-tracked which can happen more easily than we realise!



NEWS UPDATE

WELCOME to all at Mass today and a big welcome back if you have not been to Mass for a while due to the Covid restrictions.

NOVEMBER IS THE MONTH OF THE HOLY SOULS. In life we pray for those we love, in death we pray for the repose (the resting) of their souls. During the whole of November, we will remember the faithful departed in our families and amongst our friends especially at Mass. All Souls sheets together with envelopes to list the names of your departed loved ones, are available at the back of the church..

REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY falls this **Sunday 13th November**. There will be a Solemn Requiem for all the war dead at 11.15am.

NEXT SUNDAY is the FEAST OF CHRIST THE KING and the last Sunday in the liturgical year before Advent, There will be a procession of the Blessed Sacrament and Benediction.

FUNERAL MASS of John Hemon on Monday 14th November at 11.30am, followed by cremation at Mortlake Crematorium. May he rest in peace.

FUNERAL MASS of John Walsh on Tuesday 29th November at 11.00am followed by burial. May he rest in peace.

CHRISTMAS CARDS and CHURCH ART CALENDARS have arrived and can be purchased from the Repository after all Masses from this weekend.

CATHOLIC EVENTS FOR YOUNG ADULTS - If you're a young adult at the Parish, why not sign-up to the Westminster Youth Ministry Newsletter, with lots of information about Catholic youth events in the Diocese? Visit <https://dowym.com/>.

SERVING TEAS & COFFEES AFTER 11.15AM MASS - Might you consider joining the hospitality team, providing refreshments to parishioners after the 11.15am Solemn Mass. The commitment is usually once every six weeks. Your help would be hugely appreciated. For further details please contact Julie Kidd at juliekidd21@gmail.com or 07918 130798.

A CHRISTMAS FAIR is planned for Sunday 11th December in the morning in the Parish Centre. Please take a flyer today and do think how you yourself (or you family together) can help. All the funds raised will be going to buy a defibrillator for the parish (2 if we raise enough - one for the church, the other for the hall).

ST VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY (SVP) : If you are feeling isolated and would like a home visit or a chat with a friendly person over the phone please get in touch. If you are struggling financially or would like other practical assistance please do not hesitate to contact us. If you are over 18 and are interested in becoming a member of the SVP you would be very welcome, just call the number below or drop in to our next meeting. Tel. 0775 3654154 (Theresa). Email. frain.home@gmail.com

MORE EVENTS FOR YOUNG ADULTS - There is a **Talzé Prayer** at **Notre Dame de France** on the last **Saturday** of every month at **7.30pm**. For further details please see the poster in the porch. To sign-up to the Westminster Youth Ministry Newsletter, with lots more information about youth events in the Diocese, please visit <https://dowym.com/>.

MIGHT YOU HELP WITH THIS YEAR'S CHILDREN'S NATIVITY? - A huge 'thank you' to Bushra Khosla who is, once again, generously offering to take care of the Children's Nativity at the Christmas Vigil Mass at the Parish this year. We would be grateful for one or two volunteers to help support Bushra. Perhaps you are a Young Adult who might like to help? If you might consider helping with the Children's Nativity this year, please contact Bushra at 07843 053 076 / bushrakhosla@yahoo.co.uk

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION - Next Tuesday 15th November, at Session 6, the children will be learning about 'The Sacrament of Reconciliation' and beginning to practice making their First Reconciliation. The remaining two Catechist groups will also be making their Tour of the Church (details will be provided by email to those groups affected). Thank you for continuing to arrive promptly for the start of the session at 7pm.

CONFIRMATION 2023 - Those in Year 10 & above who would like to be confirmed at the Parish are asked to please attend the **Confirmation Information Evening** with a Parent/Carer in the Parish Centre on **Monday 9th January at 7.30pm** when registration documents will be provided. Please note that a copy of the one's baptism certificate is also required for registration.

CALLING NEW CONFIRMATION CATECHISTS - Might you consider a new ministry at the Parish helping our young people prepare for their Confirmation in 2023? You would be serving alongside a fantastic group of experienced Catechists. If you might consider helping, please contact our Catechetical Coordinator, Mr. Peter Kingsley, at peterkingsley@rcdow.org.uk for further information.

FRIENDS OF JESUS - If your child is in Year 5 or above, and has therefore missed the opportunity to be on our regular First Holy Communion Programme, they can still join our Friends of Jesus Programme offering older children the opportunity to still prepare for Confession (Reconciliation) & Holy Communion. We are also considering restarting sessions on Fridays, from 5.30-6.30pm, for children not attending Catholic Schools to offer a little additional faith formation to those attending Mass each week. For further details please contact our Catechetical Coordinator, Mr. Peter Kingsley, at peterkingsley@rcdow.org.uk.

READING AT 5.30PM MASS - Might you consider **reading at the Sunday Evening Mass?** This ministry offers the opportunity to reflect a little more attentively on the Word of God whilst also serving the community at Mass. The commitment is just once a month. There are some gaps in our regular rota that we remain keen to fill. If you might consider helping, please contact our Catechetical Coordinator, Peter, at peterkingsley@rcdow.org.uk, for further information or speak to any of the Parish Team. Thank you.

MEN'S BREAKFAST— is now restarting and scheduled for 9.00am on **Saturday 26th November**. All men (and sons welcome). Roger Nicklen will speak about his trip to Uganda to visit one of the charities we support at St George's (EVC Uganda).

DO YOU HAVE OLD READING GLASSES/SPECTACLES? We never know quite what to do with the them but they can be reused and redistributed to people who can't afford them or who have no access to them. We'll have a box at the back of church to collect any of these.

Thanks in advance!

ROSARY AT HOME - If you would be interested in becoming part of the 'Rosary at Home' initiative, where a statue of Our Lady of Fatima is brought to your home for a period as you say the Rosary each day, please fill-in your details on the clipboard in the church porch.

THE OVER 60's CLUB 1.00pm every Tuesday in the café/Bar. **LOOKING FORWARD TO SEEING YOU!**

THE PARISH OFFICE is open Thursdays & Fridays and from 10.30am until 3.00pm

SPONSORING THE BLESSED SACRAMENT LAMP & THE LAMP AT OUR LADY OF WALSINGHAM is a lovely thing to do for a departed loved one or a particular intention. There are some possibilities in the coming months. Please contact the office.

THE REPOSITORY is open after Masses. Why not take a look?. Volunteers urgently required to assist in the Repository after all Masses. If you are able to help please contact Imelda on 07982683664.

CHURCH CLEANING: - Church cleaning takes place on **Mondays after the 9.30am Mass**. All are welcome! Thank you for all who are already helping out.

JOB OPPORTUNITIES ACROSS THE DIOCESE: for details go to: <https://jobs.rcdow.org.uk/>

SIGNING FORMS ETC. Please always make an appointment if you want school forms, passport forms, pension forms countersigned/witnessed by the clergy. The same if you want one of the clergy to act as a referee. Please don't just turn up at the door expecting it to be done immediately. Please also know if you want an English passport witnessed or naturalisation form we must have known you for a minimum of 3 years.

PRIMARY SCHOOL FORM SIGNING (In Parish Centre) **PRIMARY SCHOOL Friday 9 December 6.30-8.30pm** Please do not ask for forms to be signed outside these times

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.

FLOWERS IN CHURCH—if you'd like to make a contribution, especially in memory of a loved one there are envelopes at the back of church

THE SICK & RETIRED PRIESTS' COLLECTION last week raised - £1453.71 including cheques payable direct. Thank you for your generosity.

SUDBURY NEIGHBOURHOOD CENTRE Sadly we have learnt that as of the end of December they will be ceasing their adult day Care after 25 years. This is due to many causes beyond their control. They hope to be able to continue in some form in the future. Pray that something new and positive will come and with thanks for the past.