

Notices for the week beginning 15 November 2015

Sunday 15 November 2015 33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Mass Book, pages 7 and 157

6.00 pm (Vigil) Private Intention; 8.30 am Holy Souls;

10.30 am Willy Drescher (Anniversary)

Monday *St Edmund of Abingdon*

No Mass

Tuesday *St Hilda of Whitby; St Hugh of Lincoln*

No Mass

Wednesday *Dedication of the Basilicas of St Peter and St Paul*

Mass 10.00 am Bridget Reardon (Anniversary)

Thursday *Feria*

Mass 10.00 am Holy Souls

Friday *Feria*

Mass 10.00 am For all Holy Souls

followed by Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

Saturday *Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary*

Confessions 10.00-10.30 am; 5.15-5.45 pm

Sunday 22 November 2015 Feast of Christ the King

6.00 pm (Vigil) People of the Parish; 8.30 am Holy Souls;

10.30 am Ita Johnson (Anniversary)

PRAYERS

Please pray for: *Sick*: Rose Beck, Erica De Cesco, Gwen Herbert, Michael Hornsby, Sheila McGrath, Honor Owen, Claire Sutton and Roy Underhill

Lately Dead: Keith Wadling; *Anniversaries*: Sister Françoise-Thérèse, Ninette Ambriano, Josephine Biggs, Margaret Carter, Christopher Conway, Michael Connell, Willie Drescher, Patrick Fitzpatrick, Ellen Grimm, Ted Halliday, Frederick Hook, Ita Johnson, Richard Kennedy, Bill Lloyd Webber, Constance Light, Eric Lucas, Susan Malone, Giuseppe Marangon, Bridget Reardon, Bernard Shryane, Edward Smyth, Josephine Stecki, Eileen Williams, Patricia Wright and all the Holy Souls. May they rest in peace.

PARISH MINISTRIES

2015	6.00 pm	8.30 am	10.30 am
21/22 Nov	E F Sherratt O Conway	A Halliday	D Marsh
	R M Miles J Lee	C Pennicott M Hart	G Maloney P Apps
	W	S Kerr	J Brown

PARISH NEWS

Corpus Christi Church, Langdon Street, Tring

15 November 2015



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Times of Services

Sunday Mass: 6.00 pm (Vigil), 8.30 am and 10.30 am
Holydays Mass: 10.00 am and 7.30 pm
Weekday Mass: Wednesday to Friday 10.00 am
Saturday Sacrament of Reconciliation: 10.00 – 10.30 am
5.15 - 5.45 pm

Letter from Langdon Street

My dear people

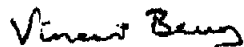
Almost every day, scientists come up with some new discovery about our universe. We have learnt more about it in the last hundred years than in the previous five thousand years. We now take so much for granted and yet there is so much more to learn. We know more about what is in the heavens than what is in on the sea bed. None of this applies to the world described in the Bible. The people of the ancient world people had a limited view of what existed around them. They knew nothing of the universe, only the world. Their world looked flat and so it must be flat. The sea is blue and full of water. The sky above is blue and must also be full of water held up by a great vault. The sun, the moon and the stars floated about in it just as ships sailed on the sea.

We are coming to the end of the Church's Liturgical Year and we are hearing passages in the Gospel where Our Lord spoke about the world coming to an end. The people who heard him say this were deeply shocked. Their traditions and their beliefs were being shattered. The Temple would be destroyed, not a single stone left standing on another. Our Lord's prophesy was fulfilled in 70 AD when the Roman legions surrounded Jerusalem and destroyed it. The Christians who had escaped before this happened were hiding in the hills above Jerusalem watching it all happen. The Letter to the Hebrews was written to them to assure them that the Lord was still with them. They had lost the Temple and Jerusalem but they were assured that there would be a new Jerusalem. The Jewish priesthood and the office of High Priest had been destroyed but a new priesthood and a new High Priest were being created for them in readiness for the new heavens and new earth described in the Book of the Apocalypse. Our Lord offers himself in place of the sin offerings of the past. His unique sacrifice, offered once and for all time, is the complete answer to the sins of all humanity.

Next Sunday the end of the Church's Year is marked by the feast of Christ the King who is revealed to us as king, priest and prophet. In today's Gospel Our Lord speaks of the return of the Son of Man in glory. He also tells the apostles that his words are true and eternal. Meanwhile our world continues to change. The Book of Ecclesiastes tells us: "To everything there is a season, and a time for every purpose under heaven: a time to be born, and a time to die; a time to plant, a time to reap that which is planted; a time to kill, and a time to heal; a time to break down, and a time to build; a time to weep, and a time to laugh; a time to mourn, and a time to dance; a time to embrace, and a time to refrain from embracing; a time to keep, and a time to cast away; a time to keep silence, and a time to speak; a time to love, and a time to hate; a time for war, and a time for peace." In this changing world there are some constants and the most important of all is the Good News which we hear proclaimed each Sunday.

There is a basic rhythm in life. Whatever has a beginning will logically have an end. The fact of a beginning runs through the old and new testaments. Today's reading from the Book of Daniel testifies that there is also an opening to the end of the world. St Paul talks about the same thing in some of his epistles. As the liturgical year draws to a close we are reminded that there is an end in view. We should be ready when we receive the Lord's call to be with him.

Yours sincerely



Parish Priest

FIRST COMMUNION CLASSES

Registration has now closed. The classes will resume after the school half-term holiday.

CONFIRMATION CLASSES

Application forms are available at the back of church.

CORPUS CHRISTI FRIENDSHIP GROUP

We would like to start a friendship group within our Parish. The hope is that we meet ev Monday at 10.30 am in Anusia's Coffee Shop in Tring High Street. Our aim is that we m together and enjoy each other's company. We will be there anyway but would be delighte you joined us. If you are interested, please phone Wendy on 01442 824369 or Simon on 014 826681. Lifts can be provided if necessary.

PREPARING FOR OUR JOURNEY TO BETHLEHEM

We are preparing for this year's Nativity Play. The Holy Family were displaced (having to to Bethlehem to conform with Roman regulations) and later having to flee for their li (Herod's massacre) to become refugees in Egypt for several years The world has not chang

The Nativity Play will be part of our Christmas Eve Mass for families which will bring toget the children who are part of SPOG, the Sunday Children's Liturgy Group and the F Communion Class. We hope other children will join in. We need to start planning for this soon as possible.

THE ALTERNATIVE CHRISTMAS CONCERT

This will take place on Saturday 12 December, from 7 to 10 pm. This is an opportunity prepare for Christmas with various local bands singing acoustic blues and jazzy music. Tick cost £2. All are welcome. A tuck shop will be available. Please contact Dan for tickets.

SICK AND RETIRED PRIESTS FUND

Many thanks for your generous donations last Sunday which came to £444.57. This will h ensure that priests in the Westminster Diocese who have devoted many years of service to t and all the other parishes in the diocese will be provided for in their elderly and infirm ye The Fund helps cover medical, housing, convalescence and personal needs. Gift envelo were distributed last week. Extra supplies are available at the back of church.

DENS

DENS (Dacorum Emergency Night Shelter) is also the centre for an Emergency Food Cer for local people in crisis. We have a collecting basket at the back of church.

This month's appeal includes Food: Squash Fruit juice (1L long life) Sponge Puddings P (tinned). Please note that value brands are perfectly acceptable. We do however request t all items are within their best before date and unopened.

There will be a three day collection at Tesco stores including Tesco Tring. It will be Thursday, Friday and Saturday 3 to 5 December. Volunteers are needed to help at the stc This involves asking customers to buy extra items to donate to DENS.

If you can spare a couple of hours please follow this link: <http://vols.pt/wDsitK>

The owners of this link will not pass on your details to any other organisation.