# 05-NOV – 31<sup>ST</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (A)

First reading: Malachi 1:14-2:2, 8-10

Israel's unworthy priests are blamed; for not listening to God they mislead the people

Responsorial: Psalm 130

R: Keep my soul in peace before you, O Lord.

Second reading: 1 Thessalonians 2: 7-9, 13

Paul recalls the love and care he has shown to the Thessalonians

Gospel: Matthew 23:1-12

Jesus attacks the scribes and Pharisees for their false forms of piety

You can Preach a better **Sermon**With your **Life** than with your lips

- We find out how to be a follower of Jesus by watching him in the gospel, by hearing his word, and by living a life of love and compassion as best we can.
- We learn from how to relate to others by how He does this Himself.

Every religion can get lost in the visible signs of it. Titles accorded to us can take over from the service requested from us. Shows of piety can lead to the self rather than to God.

All in our religion should come from the life of **Jesus** and return to him. 'You have one teacher, the Christ; He is our Lord and God'.

> Lord, teach me your ways, your truth and guide me into your life.

# ST JOSEPH'S CATHOLIC CHURCH

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31<sup>ST</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME SUNDAY,

Mass: 9.00am, 10.45am, 12.30pm & 7.30pm 05-Nov

4.00pm – Konkani Mass

MONDAY, Mass: 9.30am

TUESDAY, Mass: 9.30am & 6.30pm

WEDNESDAY Mass: 9.30am 08-Nov

THE DEDICATION OF THE LATERAN BASILICA: THURSDAY,

9.30am: Requiem Mass of Mary O'Neill 09-Nov Mass: 6.30pm

FRIDAY, St Leo the Great, Pope & Doctor:

**10-Nov** Mass: 12.00noon

**St Martin of Tours, Bishop:** SATURDAY.

Mass: 9.30am **11-Nov** 

6.30pm - Sunday Vigil Mass

32<sup>ND</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME SUNDAY,

Mass: 9.00am, 10.45am, 12.30pm & 7.30pm 12-Nov

### **POPE'S INTENTION - NOVEMBER 2023**

**For the Pope** -We pray for the Holy Father; as he fulfills his mission, may he continue to accompany the flock entrusted to him, with the help of the Holy Spirit..

#### WE PRAY FOR THOSE WHO ARE SICK

Paule Szczech, Martin Mongan, Louis Gabriel and Catherine Stock that the Lord may lay His healing hands on them and bring them His peace.

## WE EXTEND OUR SYMPATHY TO THE FAMILY AND FRIENDS OF

Mary O'Neill who died on 21st October 2023. Her Requiem Mass will be on Thursday 9th November at 9.30am followed by a burial at Carpender Cemetery. May her soul rest in peace.

# SICK AND RETIRED PRIESTS' FUND COLLECTION

Today's retiring collection is 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. Last year, the Diocese provided care to 82 retired priests, at a cost of £850,000. Caring for our brother priests in their senior years, or at a time of illness, is a fundamental part of the mission of our Diocese. By supporting the Sick & Retired Priests' Fund, you can help cover essential costs and give them peace of mind that in the event of an emergency, their needs will be met. Donation envelopes are at the porch of the church. Please continue to pray for the wellbeing of all of our clergy: active, retired and ill. You can donate online at www.recdow.org.uk/donations - the envelopes and posters feature a 'QR Code' that you can scan to give online.

MONTH OF THE HOLY SOULS: NOVEMBER DEAD LIST During the month of November, Masses are offered for the repose of the souls whose names appear in our *Book of Remembrance*. This book is placed on the sanctuary during the month of November. Envelopes and sheets for your Mass Intentions for the month of November [Holy Souls] are available from the table at the intersection of the Church. Place this sheet in an envelope along with your offerings and then put it through the Presbytery letterbox. The sheets are also available for download on the parish website.

**PARISH CAR PARK:** Due to the Presbytery refurbishment work, there will be reduced parking spaces in the car park. Please park only within the marked bays so that vehicles can enter and exit smoothly. If possible, parishioners are requested to avoid coming to Church by car. Apologies in advance for any inconvenience caused.

**OUR PARISH CHRISTMAS PARTY** will be held on Saturday 9th December from 12noon - 6:00pm at the Oakington Manor School Hall. The entry ticket (includes meal and drinks) are available after every Sunday Mass. Adults: £8, Children (5-12 years): £5, Children aged 4 and under are free. For convenience, admission on the day will be restricted to ticket holders ONLY. There are limited tickets and will be on sale until 3rd December.

**HEALTH AND SAFETY:** Due to heightened security concerns, parishioners are requested not to carry large bags into the church when attending Mass. If you do attend with a large bag, the ushers may ask you to keep it out of the church. On occasions, depending on the security situation, ushers may also need to do random bag checks on persons entering the church. Thank you for your co-operation.

#### **REMEMBRANCE DAY**

Poppy Day this year is on Friday 11 November, a day on which we honour the armed forces members who died in the First World War and all subsequent conflicts.

Please remember them in your prayers.

Poppies commemorating them in support of the Royal British Legion will be on sale after all the Masses on Sunday.

**SUNDAY EVENING MASS:** With effect from 3rd December 2023, the 7.30pm Sunday Mass will be brought forward to 6.30pm at the request of parishioners.

**BLESSING OF GRAVES** There will be Prayer led by clergy from Wembley parishes and a general blessing of graves at Carpender's Park on Sunday, 5th November at 1.30pm. All are welcome.