MASSES AND SERVICES

12th November - 32nd Sunday of the Year

Saturday Sunday	5.30pm 8.45am 10.30am	Nathan Ridge RIP (MO) Michael Rogers RIP (JG) For the Deceased of Two World Wars			
13.11 Mon 14.11 Tue 15.11 Wed 16.11 Thu 17.11 Fri 18.11 Sat	10.00am 10.00am 10.00am 10.00am 10.00am	Weekday Services (Week 32. Psalter Week 4) Feria Marcella Rogers Int (L) NO MASS Feria All Souls St Margaret of Scotland Special Int (BM) St Elizabeth of Hungary All Souls Dedication of the Basilicas of Ss Peter and Paul Dominic Green Int (LG)			
19th November – 33rd Sunday of the Year					
Saturday	5.30pm	John Roe RIP (MO)			

Confession Saturday morning 9.15am – 9.45am Thursday Exposition: after Mass – 11.15am Rosary – Monday to Saturday 9.35am Divine Mercy Chaplet – Friday after Mass

CHURCH CLEANING

8.45am

10.30am

Sunday

This week	P Doyle	A Robinson	
Next week	M Harris	T Lester	
READERS	5.30pm	8.45am	10.30am
This week	T/J Taylor	J Smith	D Bixby
Next week	J Musgrave	G Seymour	M Heap
TEA & COFFEE This week	A & K	A Robinson	O Zurak
	Kadow	P Cheriton	P Hogan

People of the Parish

Maureen Mc Dermott Int (L)

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THIRTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME 12th November 2023

Dear Parishioners.

This Sunday our 10.30am Mass is in remembrance of those members of the armed forces of our country who died in the Two World Wars 1914-1918 and 1939-45 as well as the other armed conflicts where members of the armed forces have died in the service of our country. At each Mass this weekend there will be a time of silence to pray for them, not forgetting also their families who lost the loved ones on the field of battle.

But what of the men and women from our own parish who served in the Second World War and since then? Is there anyone who has any records or even memories of parishioners who were called up? Our church was built in 1935, which is 4 years before the outbreak of WW2. Do you know of parishioners who served? What was the effect of war in our parish? Would anyone be interested in forming a history group?

Here are the words from the poem *For the Fallen* by Laurence Binyon (1869-1943), published in *The Times* newspaper on 21st September 1914, which will be recited at every Remembrance Service. It was written a few weeks after the beginning of Great War.

"They shall not grow old, as we that are left grow old:
Age shall not weary them, nor the years condemn.
At the going down of the sun and in the morning
we will remember them."



Ukraine: St John of God Hospitaller Services in partnership with Caritas are working to coordinate and provide temporary housing and support for Ukrainian displaced individuals as they adjust to life in the UK. Please take with you a prayer card and a leaflet which can be found in the narthex.

Ex Urbe Chamber Choir presents "Eternal Joy" Cracking carols for Christmas on Saturday 2 December at 6 pm in Hampton-in-Arden Parish Church. Tickets available via <u>exurbe.org</u> or on the door.

The Chosen (film about the life of Christ) continues this Sunday in the Conference Room of the Parish Centre between 4pm and 6pm. All are welcome.

Tea and Coffee will be served after all Masses this weekend in the parish centre.

SVP Forthcoming events

Afternoon tea and social Wednesday 15th November 2.30pm. All welcome - we look forward to seeing as many of you as possible to have a chat and enjoy the tea/coffee, cakes and entertainment.

Christmas lunch Wednesday 29th November 1.00pm. There will be a choice of Turkey dinner in gravy (or no gravy if GF) or Roasted Mediterranean Vegetable Tart (if neither of these is suitable please contact us). We are looking to recover the cost of these meals and, as such, a donation of £5 per head would be appreciated (although this should not stop anyone from attending), and there will be a raffle on the day. All are welcome, but we will need to know numbers and choices by 22nd November. There will be an opportunity to book at the afternoon tea, but if you are not coming to that please email svpstgt@btinternet.com, or alternatively phone Steve on 07740935527 or contact any SVP member to book your place and advise your meal option, or for further information.

Our latest newsletter will be handed out after Masses this week. Thank you for your continued support.

Recycle your used Ink Cartridges...and raise money for charity. Thank you to all those who are supporting this scheme. So far this year, the money raised to support RESTORE, the Birmingham Churches Together Refugee charity, is £192.15 and this represents a potential 9.41kg kept from landfill. Please continue to recycle your used inkjet (not laser) printer cartridges by placing them in the Recyle4Charity green box in the narthex.

Raffle Tickets: Thank you to those who took two books of raffle tickets to help to raise money for the Sisters of the Immaculate Heart of Mary to cook a Christmas lunch for the poor. There is a box in the narthex for your counterfoils and money.

All Souls. If you wish to have loved ones remembered in prayers during November, place their names in an envelope (there are some in the Narthex). These will be put in a basket, placed near the altar, and your loved ones will be prayed for at Masses during November. You may wish to put a donation in the envelope.

Christmas Masses and Services

Parish Carol Service Sunday 17th December at 4pm Seasonal refreshments afterwards in the Parish Centre.

Service of Reconciliation and Confession

Tuesday 19th December at 7pm, Our Lady of the Wayside, Shirley.

Fourth Sunday of Advent

Saturday 23rd December Vigil - 5.30pm Sunday 24th December - 8.45am There will be no Sunday 10.30am Mass

The Nativity of the Lord

Sunday 24th December Christmas Eve - Childrens Mass - 4pm Midnight Mass! Celebrated by Mgr McHugh - 8pm Monday 25th December Christmas Day – 8.45am and 10.30am

You are invited to the Parish Agape!

WHEN: Sunday 26th November from 4-6pm. WHERE: The Parish Centre.

As we approach the season of Advent we'll be celebrating our Faith in a festive atmosphere, with joyful music. A celebration for everyone to share - whatever your age! Please bring food to share with others.

FOOD: Be as creative as you like! Bring any favourite drink with you such as wine or beer. Tea, coffee and squash will be available. A chance to meet others in the parish - no matter which Mass you attend. Families especially welcome. Do join us if you can - Put your names on the list in the narthex.

Are you a Taxpayer? If your annual income is over the tax threshold you could support the parish by Gift Aiding your donation. This means for a £10 donation to the church the Exchequer returns to our church £2.50.

Offertory: 5.11.23 Gift Aid Envelopes £273 Loose Plate £318 Johnson Association Gift Aid Envelopes £268 Loose Plate £234 Average weekly offering via standing order and online banking - £680

† Your Prayers are asked

For those who are ill or housebound: Fr. Michael Ho, Joe Stephens, Michael Grosvenor, Dorothy Perkins, Jill Baynham, Tony Parsons and Rod Goodman, Dr John Martin, Pat McGeever. Catholics in parish nursing homes and hospitals. *We pray for them and all who care for them.*

Recently deceased – Bobbie Donovan *May they rest in peace*

Anniversaries (this week) from the last 20 years: Amy Guice, Thomas White, Roy Smith. *May the souls of all the faithful departed rest in peace.*

Parish Centre News. Timetable for next week on the noticeboard. If you are having a family occasion, please consider booking our hall for your venue. It is important that users of the Parish Centre arrange bookings (and payments for non-Parish Events) through Oksana Zurak 07967-846-963 or oksanazurak@gmail.com

Made me smile!

Two ants were walking across a packet of cornflakes, when suddenly one of them runs off. "Hey, what's the hurry?" calls the first ant. "Can't you read?" Said the second, "it says 'tear along the dotted line'!"

The doctor told me I might have a marriage phobia and asked me if I thought I had any symptoms? "Can't say I do", I replied. "Yes, that's one of the main ones," said the doctor.

I have just seen an item on the news about how a man has discovered how to do origami backwards. More on this story as it unfolds...____

The Parish operates in accordance with Statutory Safeguarding Guidance and the National and Archdiocese's policies & procedures at all times. Our Parish Safeguarding Representatives are Sandy Walmsley and Daphne Morgan. They can be contacted at: sg.stgeorge-stteresa.dorridge@rcaob.org.uk or alternatively the Diocesan Safeguarding team can be contacted on 0121 230 6240 / safeguarding@rcaob.org.uk if you have any concern.