

THIS WEEKEND		32nd Sunday of the Year		Year A	
Sat 11th November	5.00pm	St O	Pious Lists + Parishioners Intentions Margaret Yates		
	5.00pm	St MM	Pious Lists + Fr Cotter Jack Brereton		
	6.30pm	St T	Pious Lists + Abbie Rose Hargreaves		
Sun 12th November	8:30am	St MM	<i>Latin Extraordinary Form Mass</i>		
	8:30am	St O	Pious Lists		
	9.30am	St T	Pious Lists + Elaine Hood		
WEEKDAY MASSES		Divine Office Week 4			
Mon 13th Nov	9.15am	St T	Pious Lists + Joyce Whiteside		
	9.30pm	St O	Pious Lists		
Tues 14th Nov	9.15am	St T	Pious Lists		
	9.30am	St O	Pious Lists		
Wed 15th Nov	9.30am	St MM	Pious Lists		
Thu 16th Nov	9.30am	St O	Pious Lists		
	7.00pm	St T	Pious Lists + Gerard Wilson		
Fri 17th Nov	9.15am	St T	Pious Lists		
	11.00am	St O	Funeral Mass: Frank Hughes		
NEXT WEEKEND		33rd Sunday of the Year		Year A	
Sat 18th November	5.00pm	St O	Pious Lists		
	6.30pm	St T	Pious Lists + Brian De Rome		
Sun 19th November	8:30am	St MM	<i>Latin Extraordinary Form Mass</i>		
	8:30am	St O	Pious Lists		
	9.30am	St T	Pious Lists + Sharon Forde		
	11.00am	St MM	Pious Lists + Ann Hardacre Mary McGee		

**Confessions:** 1st Sat of December at 10.00am at St T and on request.

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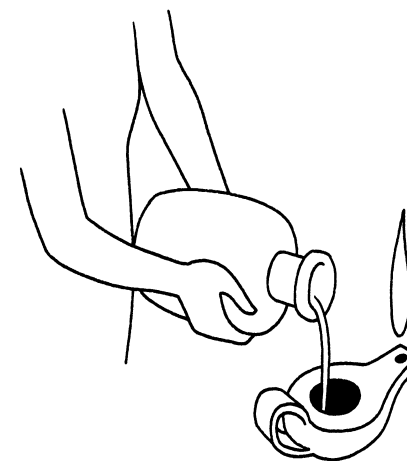


## 32nd Sunday of the Year 12th November 2017

**Stay awake! Be ready!**

As we draw near to the end of the liturgical year, the readings are concerned with the end of time when Christ Jesus will return again and God's kingdom will reign. We are reminded to stay awake, to be ready to notice when and where God is present among us now.

The **First Reading** describes the beauty of



Wisdom who seeks to comfort, strengthen and console those who look for her help in troubles and anxiety. When God may seem distant, we cry out to the Lord with the **Psalmist**. We recall with praise the glory and strength that has helped us, and rejoice in the shelter of his loving presence.

The **Second Reading** tells us we can be quite sure that those who have died are risen with Jesus, so that we can be comforted by this hope, for them and for ourselves. At the end, we will all be with the Lord forever.

The Lord Jesus will come again but we must be patient, keeping the flame of our love and faith alive in our hearts. We may tire of waiting for him, but must be ready to wake up quickly to answer his call. We do not know the day or hour of his coming (**Gospel**).

This week I pray to stay awake, ready to notice the presence of the Lord. In keeping close to him, I may lead others to a sense of the hope and faith we have, both in joy and when our lives are difficult.

**Advent Retreat Days:** Thu 30th Nov 1.00pm - 4.00pm at St O and then repeated on Sat 2nd Dec 10.00am - 1.00pm at St T. These are for anyone who wants to find some time and space in the midst of the preparations for Christmas. Fr P will lead the days, Fr M will be available for confession.

**Remembrance Sunday:** Due to road closures there will be no morning Mass on Sunday Nov 12th at St MM. The weekend Mass will be at 5.00pm on Saturday 11th Nov. St Teresa's Scout Group will be selling bacon and sausage sandwiches after the 9:30am Mass on Sunday. The scouts will then be parading to the War Memorial.

**PET** meets in St T Meeting Room on Tuesday at 8.00pm.

**Knit-a-Bit:** St T Church meeting Room Monday from 10.00am until 12 noon. The SVP will provide a lift if needed. Phone Catherine on 740569.

**St.Teresa's Ladies** Tues 14 Nov. "Christmas Sparkle" Flower Arranging by Catharine Baines. Admission £1.50 with mince pies. All Welcome.

**New Music Group:** The next rehearsal is Thursday 23rd Nov at 3.30pm.

**Mass times for Christmas:** Christmas Eve: 5.00pm St T, 5.00pm St MM, 6.30pm St O, 10.00pm St T. Christmas Day: 8.30am St O, 10.00am St T. On Sat Dec 23rd + Sun Dec 24th, the 4th Sunday of Advent, Masses will be celebrated as follows: Saturday 5.00pm at St O and St MM. Sat 6.30pm at St T. Sun 8.30am at St O and 9.30am at St T. (No 11.00am Mass that day.)

**St Oswald Caritas:** The next Lunch Club on Fri 17th. Nov. Lunch is served from 12 noon until 1.00pm.

**The Knights of St Columba** are holding their annual Christmas Bingo on Friday 24th November at 8:00pm at St Teresa's Hall. Excellent Prizes and proceeds will help to support Charities. Please support this event.

**St T Christmas Raffle:** Tickets on sale outside Church after Mass. Please return counterfoils and money to Church. Please do your best to sell as many raffle tickets as possible. Proceeds to the meeting room extension.

**St T Meeting Room Extension:** Thank you for the recent donation of £500 towards the extension.

**St Oswald's Christmas Prize Bingo:** Friday 1 Dec at 7.30 pm in the Parish Hall, Chapel Lane. Tickets £1 on sale after Mass. Donations of bottles or chocolates will be much appreciated. There's a box at the back of church or see Bernadette.

**RCIA:** If you, or anyone you know is thinking about becoming a Catholic in 2018 there will be an introductory meeting on Wed Nov 15th in St T Meeting Room. This is also for you if you are an adult who has not celebrated 1st communion or confirmation. If you would like to be a member of the RCIA team please see Fr Philip. There is an information leaflet with this newsletter, please pass it on to someone you know who may be considering these things.

**Church Laundry Rota at St O:** a new rota is being prepared. We need another volunteer. Can you help. Please phone 614843. Thank you.

**St O Steering Group:** Many things were discussed, please ask a member of the Group (names in the porch). In January we are going to offer regular confessions at St O, the 2nd Saturday of each month.

**Annual Mission Appeal** will be taking place on the 18th and 19th Nov. Sr Rose Mary Harbinson RNDM will be speaking at all the Masses and there will be a collection after each Mass.

**St Teresa's Christmas Fayre** is on Sun 26th Nov. It will begin at 12.30pm. Come and enjoy a bottle tombola, crafts, games and hog roast sandwiches. Visit Santa in his grotto and enjoy a drink in the pop-up cafe. A great family afternoon out not to be missed. There will be lots of new stalls and fun and games. **St Mary Magdalen's Christmas Coffee Morning** is on Sun 3rd Dec, immediately after the 11.00am Mass. If you have any goods, especially bottles and unwanted new gifts, please bring them to church. Thank you.

**St Oswald's Little Church:** a gentle reminder that the age range we aim to cater for in Little Church is age 3 up to the end of year six at primary school. We have a rota of parishioners who lead Little Church and assist the leaders, a few have had to drop out recently so we would need some new volunteers to help. We always make sure new recruits work with an experienced leader and your turn on the rota would be about once a month. Please speak to Fr P or Fr M or one of the leaders if you can help.

**Help at St MM's School:** Could you spare a morning or afternoon a week to help children with reading? We are looking for people to hear our children read. We have wonderful helpers and the impact that they have on children's learning is remarkable and rewarding. We always need more help. Induction and training will be given. Please contact the school if interested - 742351.