

THIS WEEKEND		33rd Sunday of the Year		Year B	
Sat 17th November	5.00pm	St O	Tom Barton, Pious List		
	6.30pm	St T	Mary Whitney, George Heywood, Brian De Rome, Pious list		
Sun 18th November	8:30am	St MM	Latin Extraordinary Form Mass		
	8:30am	St O	Margaret + Norman Yates, Pious List		
	9.30am	St T	Joe Tipping 80th Birthday, Pious List		
	11.00am	St MM	Departed Souls in the James + Ross Family, Mary Mcgee, Pious List		
<b>Divine Office Week 1</b>					
Mon 19th November	9.15am	St T	Vera Goulding, Pious List		
	9.30am	St O	Jean Pattern, Pious List		
Tues 20th November	9.30am	St O	Pious List		
Wed 21st Nov Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary	9.30am	St MM	Private Intention, Pious List		
Thu 22nd November St Cecilia	10.30am	St O	Funeral Mass: Nora Spencer		
	7.00pm	St T	Vera Conway, Fred Turner, Pious List		
Fri 23rd November	9.15am	St T	Una Greene, Pious List		
	9.30am	St O	Chelsie Heywood (Get Well), Pious List		
NEXT WEEKEND		Christ the King		Year B	
Sat 24th November St Andrew Dun-Lac	5.00pm	St O	Catherine Gillibrand, Tom Barton, Simon Ashcroft + Family, Pious List		
	6.30pm	St T	Mrs Ann Worrall, Pious List		
Sun 25th November	8:30am	St MM	Latin Extraordinary Form Mass		
	8:30am	St O	Mary Joan Clarkson, Pious List		
	9.30am	St T	People of the Parish, Pious List		
	11.00am	St MM	Jack Brereton, Pious List		

**Confessions:** 1st (St T) and 2nd (St O) Sat at 10.00am.

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## 33rd Sunday of the Year 18th November 2018

**“My words will endure forever”**

As the Church’s year draws to a close, the Gospel and First Reading in particular are full of vivid imagery of the ‘End Times’. These texts were written to offer solace and encouragement to people facing temporal and spiritual crisis in very different times and circumstances.

In the **First Reading**, we listen to the prophet Daniel concluding the last of his four apocalyptic visions. He offers hope to the Jewish people, who are facing persecution from a foreign king determined to stamp out their faith.

The **Gospel** sees Jesus preparing his disciples for the troubles they will soon witness. The Evangelist is also giving a message of hope to the early church as it faces persecution from the Emperor Nero. We are reminded always to be mindful of the signs of the times; but rather than being caught up in fruitless anxiety over ‘End Times’ and the passing nature of life, we can take hope that the Word of God will endure forever.

The **Psalm** is a prayer full of confidence that God will offer healing and deliverance from death. Each verse is a prayer full of hope in God’s saving love. In the concluding passages from the letter to the Hebrews (**Second Reading**), the Risen Christ is compared to the priests of the Old Covenant. There is no longer a need for constant animal sacrifices to atone for sin. Christ has conquered sin once and for all.

Christ is the fulfilment of God’s promise of love. His word will always be with us. Let us pray for the grace to be drawn deeper into the wonder of that love so that our lives can be a message of hope to our times.

### The Romero Room this week:

**Sundays:** At 9.30am Mass: Children's Liturgy. **After Mass** tea and coffee.

**Mondays: Knit a Bit:** 10.00am until 12 noon.

**6.30pm SVP Meeting.** New members welcome.

**Tuesdays: 7.30pm** All Hallows Community Choir

**Fridays: 1.30pm to 3pm** Exercise Class will be led by an expert, Julian Vescovi, followed by tea, biscuits and chat. All ages and abilities most welcome. Cost £2

**SYNDOD 2020:** There is a 'Parish Synod 2020 support group' being formed at St Teresa & St Mary Magdalen. The group are initially there to support the process of selecting our Synod 2020 Parish Member. Following this, the group will then continue to proactively help and support those involved in Synod 2020. If you would like to be involved in this journey and are able to commit to the process of the Synod, are enthusiastic and hope-filled about the future, and are prepared to listen carefully to the needs of the parish. Please come along to our first meeting which is to be held on **Wednesday 21st November at 7.00pm** in the Romero room.

**Sacramental Programme Enrolment Masses:** The Y4 children from our parish schools will be starting the sacramental programme leading to the Sacraments of Reconciliation and Eucharist. The children and their families will be enrolled into the programme at the following family masses. St Oswald's 5pm Vigil Mass, 24<sup>th</sup> November. St. Teresa's 9.30 am, 25<sup>th</sup> November. St. Mary Magdalen's 11am, 25<sup>th</sup> November.

**St Mary Magdalen:** Christmas Coffee Morning 12.00 Noon—2.30pm Sunday 2nd December. There will be a Grand Christmas Raffle and all monies raised will go to Church funds. All donations are gratefully received and can be left in the Sacristy. A list for volunteers can be found in the church porch, with event preparation on Saturday 1st Dec 12 noon—3.00pm.

**St Teresa:** On 22nd November following 7.00pm mass a concert by All Hallows Community Choir will take place. There will be tea and refreshments afterwards in the Romero room.

**St. Teresa's Christmas Fayre** - Sunday 25 November commencing at 12.30 pm. Come for your lunch and enjoy a hog roast sandwich with tea/coffee or a drink from the bar. Grand raffle, bottle tombola, handicrafts, face painting, win a teddy, play your cards right plus lots more. Visit Santa in his Grotto. A fun afternoon out for all the family. Any donations would still be welcome.

**St Teresa's:** Raffle tickets on sale. Please bring your returns, along with the money and hand in at the Sacristy or Piety shop.

**St Teresa's:** All Hallows Community Choir meet Tuesday 7.30pm in the Romero Room. All are welcome to attend.

**St T & St MM Readers** The next rota will be issued shortly. Please let me know of any alterations, Anne McKillop 745669. If anyone would like to join the team of readers please contact Fr Roy.

**All Hallows Catholic High School** are hosting another Christmas Celebration for senior citizens on Friday 14th Dec 1.30—3.00pm. Please sign the form if you wish to attend as places are limited. The form can be found at the back of each church.

**Christmas Bingo:** The Knights of St Columba are holding a Christmas Bingo on Friday 30th November in St Teresa's Parish Centre at 8 pm. Numerous prizes, vouchers from major stores, wines, spirits and many more. There will also be a raffle and all the money raised will go to our Christmas Charities. We look forward to seeing you there.

**St Oswald's:** A welcome to Leo Brynly Bailey who will be baptised this weekend.

**St. Oswald's Blessing of Graves Service:** There will be a blessing of family graves in St. Oswald's Cemetery at **3pm, on Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> November**. Tea and coffee will be served in the Parish Hall after the service.

**St Oswald's** music group would like to invite singers or musicians to join them for the Sacramental Programme Enrolment Sunday Mass on Saturday 24th November 5pm. Rehearsals will be held on Tuesday 13th and 20th 6.30pm in church. All welcome, young and old! For any further information, contact Jane on 07706526605.

**St. Oswald's Christmas Bingo:** Friday 30<sup>th</sup> November. Doors Open 7pm to start at 7.30pm. Prize donations will be gratefully received and may be left in the box in the church porch.

**St. Oswald's Caritas Group:** the Christmas Lunch is on THURSDAY 20th December (note the change of day). The School Choir will sing Carols and every effort will be made to make this a special occasion. Last year over 40 people attended and we would like to see at least that number again this year with the same happy spirit.

**Piety Shops** -Don't forget your Advent candles and calendars are now in stock.

**Pilgrimage:** HOLY LAND— this trip is almost full. Please will the Parishioners who have put their name down, return your Booking form and deposits ASAP.  
LOURDES - 20th Oct 2019 5 days please contact Dorothy 017727 42927.