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Thirty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time
8th November 2026

Sunday Cycle A, Weekday Readings 2, Psalter Week 4

We gather to worship God in union with Leo XIV, Our Pope and Stephen, Our Bishop.

Saturday	**7th Nov**	
11.00am	Bereavement Mass Refreshments to follow in the Centre	
4.15pm	Confession	
Thirty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time		
5.00pm	Vigil Mass	Intention Eilesh McSorley
Sunday	**8th Nov**	**Thirty-Second Sunday in OT** **Remembrance Sunday**
9.15 am	Mass	Duffy McSheehy RIP (anniv)
11.15am	Mass	Those Fallen in War
2.00pm	Blessing of Graves, Green Lane Cemetery	
3.15pm	Confirmation Session (1)	
5.00pm	Mass	Bartholomew Fernandes RIP
Monday	**9th Nov**	**Dedication of the Lateran Basilica**
11.00am	Mass	Deceased of the Great War
Tuesday	**10th Nov**	***Church Closed***
7.30pm	Father's Prayers	
Wednesday	**11th Nov**	***Church Closed***
2.00pm	2:2 Club in the Centre	
Thursday	**12th Nov**	***St Josaphat***
11.00am	Mass	Michael Legge RIP
Friday	**13th Nov**	
10.30	Adoration	
11.00am	Mass	Bernard Manning RIP (anniv)
Saturday	**14th Nov**	***Church Closed***
	No Mass	
Sunday	**15th Nov**	**Thirty-Third Sunday in OT**
9.15 am	Mass	James Luff Intention
11.15am	Mass	John Atkinson RIP
5.00pm	Mass	Intention of Valerie Fernandes

Mass Count: 31st Oct/1st Nov: Saturday 5pm = 94; Sunday 9.15am = 148; 11.15am =160 ; 5.00pm = 132 **Total 534**

2nd Collection: 15th/16th November for Retired Priests Fund. Gift Aid.

Roof fund Cake Sale: Thank you to those that provided cakes and ran the cake stall last weekend. Cake and coffee raised £101.00 cash + £ 42.26 Dona Total **£143.26.**

Thank you to Maria Doland, Jen Hepworth, Mary Desmond, Frances Thompson, Anne Smith, Cathy Considine, June Christie & Cecilia for providing and serving the sandwiches, cakes and goodies for the November Afternoon Tea of the Williams Club at the Baptist Church. (Helping sight loss in Farnham).https://williamsclubfarnham.co.uk/

Catholics do good at every opportunity. Catholics pray every day. Catholics come to Mass every Sunday.

Remembrance & 32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time A

"They grow not 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."

Of all the commemorations throughout the month of November, the one that is most especially not about us, is Remembrance Sunday. Today, we have not come here to make us feel better about ourselves but to fulfil the *'spiritual work of mercy'* of praying for the dead, especially those fallen in war. Today, the Church permits one Requiem Mass to be celebrated for the War Dead. This will be at 11.15am Mass. At other Masses, our Remembrance happens at the end of the Prayers of the Faithful. *"Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them, may they rest in peace. Amen"*. The celebration of the Eucharist is a perfect way to remember those fallen in war. The central part of the Mass is the *'anamnesis'*, (*'remembrance');* Jesus commanding us to *'do this in memory of me'*. When we *'remember'* in this sense, we do not just call to mind his saving death and resurrection in an intellectual way, but in a real way, we *'participate again'* in the saving mysteries of our redemption.

***This Sunday*:** Fr. Simon will be at Green Lane Cemetery at 2pm today (Sun. 8th Nov) to bless graves. As he walks through the cemetery, please call him over to bless a family grave.

Advance Warning:
On Saturday 14th November there is no 5pm Mass, as Fr. Simon is not available due to other pastoral commitments within the wider *'Guildford Catholic Parish'* that week.
The 9.15am, 11.15am and 5pm Mass on Sunday 15th Nov. will be celebrated as normal.
Saturday Masses: 5.30pm at Holy Angels (Ash); 5.30pm at St Mary's (Aldershot); 6pm at St Anselm's (Hindhead); 6pm at St Edmund's (Godalming); 6pm Sacred Heart (Bordon).
Please check their websites for any alterations to their schedules.

Concelebrated Mass for Deceased Clergy:
Please join with the priests of our parish at **10am on Wednesday 11th November at Ladywell Convent, Godalming** to pray for the repose of the souls of those who have served our communities as Priests and Deacons.

Readings – Thirty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time
1st Reading: **Wisdom 6:12-16**
Psalm: **Ps 63(62):2. 3-4. 5-6. 7-8. R2b**
2nd Reading: **1 Thessalonians 4:13-18**
Gospel: **Matthew 25:1-13**
Daily Readings can be found www.universalis.com
Fr Simons Daily Reflections are on the website. www.stjoanofarcfarnham.co.uk

The Church will be closed Monday 16th – Friday 20th November.



CHRISTMAS BAZAAR



Sunday 22nd November 10.00am -1.30pm.

Tickets will be on sale for our Grand Raffle after all Masses £1 a ticket.

May we appeal for items for the **Grand Raffle** and our **Silent Auction.**

Donations are greatly received of new or nearly new items, any gifts, chocolate, jewellery, toiletries, toys, bottles for the bottle stall, teddies & soft toys, Christmas items, plants, homemade jams & chutneys and of course lots and lots of cakes on the day.

Please leave items in the Church porch on the right hand side as you enter on
7th/8th November and the 15th November.


Many Many thanks.




Wine Tasting Event



Saturday 28th November 1.30pm – 3.00pm

In the Parish Centre in aid of the Church Roof.

30 spaces available £20pp. Contact Stephanie on 07873594410 **or see the poster on the noticeboards for further details and book your place.**

Advent Course:
4 week Advent course "The Heart of Prayer".
Wednesday evenings **25th November to 16th December** 7.30-8.45pm in the Parish Centre. A chance to refresh your prayer life. Videos created and presented by Fr. Stephen Wang, now our new Bishop. No booking needed.

Rosary Group:
Meet on the 1st & 3rd Tuesday of each month at 7.30pm in the Church. **Next date:17th November.**

Life in the Spirit Prayer Group:
Every **Wednesday –7.30pm** in the Parish Centre. Come and refresh your prayer life. Everyone is welcome.

Scripture Study Group:
Meet at 10am on Wednesday mornings in the foyer of the Centre. You are welcome to attend to study this weeks scripture.

Father's Prayers: meet in the Church every second Tuesday of the month, Tuesday **10th November at 7.30pm** all other Tuesdays on Zoom at 7.30pm. For more details contact antonyhjohnson@gmail.com

2:2 Club: Takes place in the Parish Centre on the Second Wednesday of each month at 2.00pm. Come along on **Wednesday 11th November at 2.00pm** for games, tea, cake and a chat. Open to all over a certain age and retired!

Diary Dates:

Father's Prayers: Tuesday 10th November 7.30pm
2:2 Club: Wednesday 11th November 2.00pm.
Christmas Bazaar: Sunday 22nd November 10am-1.30pm.
Advent Course: Wednesdays 24th Nov-16th Dec 7.30pm.
Wine Tasting Event: Saturday 28th November 1.30pm.
Autumn Leaf Clearance & Christmas Tree helpers: Saturday 5th December.
Christmas Parish Sunday Lunch: 6th December.
Ladies Christmas Bring a Dish Evening: Tuesday 15th December 7.00pm.

Let us pray for those in our families who are unwell at this time and especially for: Sheila Potter, Michael Pattie, Liz Cross, Sheila Thorp, Brian Fernando, Suzanne Eames, Robin Eames, Kate Pontifex, Carol Tutte, Donna Lawson, Anne Cheesman, Jennifer Flack, James Flack, Art Attwood, Elizabeth Murray, Peter McCormick, Elizabeth Leavy, Margaret Connolly, Andrew Torjussen, Siobhan Gorman, Francis Galliano, Eileen Farebrother, Noreen Yelland, and for all in our Parish community who are unwell.

We pray for all those whose anniversaries occur at this time: Lt.Col Kevin Sheridan RIP, Doreen Sheridan RIP, Beatrice Archer RIP, Bernard Manning, Dronz Arigho, Troy Eames, Ken Verbruggen Anne-Marie Watkins, William Cooper, Wilfred Hildreth, Brian Gunstone, Duffy McSheehy, Gary Fraser, Leonard Waters, Peter Jackson, Daniel Mercer, Madeleine Fowler, Mary Othen, Donald Mackie.

May the Lord grant them all a place in His Kingdom.

In Memory

Your prayers are asked for the souls of those parishioners who laid down their lives at the call of king and country from 1914 to 1918.

ANTHONY COPE
AUCNUS LOUGHLIN
FREDERICK MEAD
JAMES GREENWAY
RICHARD JACKSON
JOHN O'DONNELL
FRANCIS GREENWAY

And from 1939 to 1945
FRANK COLLINS
RICHARD GALLAGHER
RICHARD GRETTON
ERIC HAYES
ROBERT LICKFOLD
EDMUND PHILLIPS
DAVID RUSSELL

of your charity pray also for the souls of
FATHER THOMAS E MOONEY
CAPTAIN HENRI RENDU
and the many British, Canadian, American, French And Maori Soldiers who worshipped here and whose glorious memory is honoured in this parish of St Joan.

First Confession & First Holy Communion 2027:
9.15am Sunday Mass. Collect your weekly passport stamp.

Confirmation 2027:
Confirmation Session (1) Sunday 8th November. Arrive at 3.15pm for a 3.30pm start. (Parents please attend for the first 15 minutes of the session). Return all your forms this coming Sunday.

Aid to the Church in Need - ACN: Red Wednesday – to shine a light on global Christian persecution - **Mass 18th November 2026** 5.30pm gather in the courtyard, 6.00pm Sung Mass. St Georges Cathedral, London.

Sharing the Seeds of Faith:
Saturday 5th December 10am – 3pm, Cranleigh: Come and explore the gift of our baptism and how that enables us to inspire, guide and lead others in their faith. A day led by the inspiring Dominican Sisters of St Joseph. This session is open to everyone who has a love for their faith and wants to share it either at home or in a broader setting. It will help planning if we know who is coming - please sign up at https://stedsgod.churchsuite.com/events/tz0qmdlv