

Our Lady & the Saints of Sussex 19 November (33rd Sunday in OT)

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Matthew 25:14-30 *You have been faithful in small things: come and join in your master's happiness.*

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

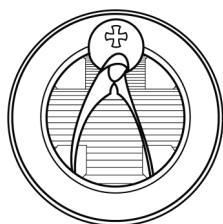
This Sunday we mark the World Day of the Poor, the 17th of its name. For this year, Pope Francis has taken inspiration from the elderly Tobit, who says to his son, “Do not turn your face away from anyone who is poor” (Tobit 4:7). Whenever we turn away from those who are poor, we turn away from Jesus himself, who is forever associated with the most vulnerable in society.

The Pope continues: “A great river of poverty is traversing our cities and swelling to the point of overflowing; it seems to overwhelm us, so great are the needs of our brothers and sisters who plead for our help, support and solidarity. For this reason, on the Sunday before the Solemnity of Jesus Christ King of the Universe, we gather around his Table to receive from him once more the gift and strength to live lives of poverty and to serve the poor.”

Loving Father, your risen Son sent us out into the world as ambassadors for the kingdom of God; inspire us with your Spirit of compassion, justice and truth to declare the Good News to those who are poor, to work for the relief, defence and liberation of all who are trapped in oppressive circumstances. We make this our prayer through Christ our Lord. Amen.

With prayer and blessings,

Deacon Jon



33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

First Reading Proverbs 31: 10-13 *A perfect wife—who can find her?*

Responsorial Psalm 127 *O blessed are those who fear the Lord*

Second Reading 1 Thessalonians 5:1-6 *God will bring with him those who have died in Jesus*

Gospel Acclamation Alleluia, alleluia! Even if you have to die, says the Lord. Alleluia!

Gospel Matthew 25:14-30 *You have been faithful in small things: come and join in your master's happiness.*

Bidding prayers can be found at: www.saintsofsussex.com/intercessions

'Invited' Our diocese continues on mission with Series 3 of 'Invited', preparing us to welcome Jesus into our hearts



this Christmas. It begins with Episode 1, inviting us to deepen our understanding of the Incarnation, in the week of 27 November. There are three further episodes, one for each week of Advent. Each week we will watch an Invited video and then have a friendly discussion. We have these groups running in the parish:

- St Richard's: Thursday evening group and Friday morning group 7pm
- Combined group at St Peter's and Our Lady after 10am Mass (starts in Bosham on Tuesday 28th)
- House groups in Donnington and Tangmere (both Monday evenings) 7pm

Visit saintsofsussex.com/invited for details or to sign up for the right group for you. If you are intending to run another group, please let the Parish Office know!

Blessing of the graves at Church Norton, Selsey on Wednesday 29th November, after the 10am Mass.

Advent Day of Recollection Sat 2nd December (10am-3pm) John Dickson, a Salesian priest, and recent Chaplain at the Royal Holloway University in Surrey, will lead us in our Day of Recollection. It will start with Mass at St Richard's at 10am and the day will finish at 3pm. All welcome.

Afternoon tea for the bereaved Venue change for tea for bereaved now at St Richard's lower parish rooms on Sunday 26th November 2.00pm - 4.00pm. Parishioners volunteering to bring guests are very welcome to join us.

St Richards School Advent Fayre Saturday 9th December 2023 from 12 - 4pm. Do come and join us for a family friendly community event full of fun stalls, games and festivities! The fayre is free entry and there will be a Hog Roast, Hotdogs, Homemade Cakes, Mulled Wine and other refreshments available to purchase as well as lots for fun activities for the whole family

Starting on November 21st St Wilfrid's is acting as one of the hosts for the **Warm Spaces initiative**. From 7.00 - 9.00pm. Every Tuesday we want to help anyone who needs a bit of warmth, both bodily and spiritually. We need some volunteers to be at the hall to welcome and socialise with anyone who comes. It needn't be a weekly commitment but shared between everyone who volunteers. Hot drinks, biscuits etc will be available and even a mug of hot soup,. Please let Mike Beal know at mab5el5ey@gmail.com if you can help.

Advent Reconciliation This year, the priests of the Deanery have agreed to provide two Advent Reconciliation services: At St Richard's on Wednesday 13th December (7pm) where 7 priests are expected and the second one at Arundel Cathedral on Tuesday 19th December (7pm)

Friday Faith Café at St Peters: Living a Eucharistic Life. Next Friday 24th Nov, after the 10am Mass, we will look at the Dismissal at Mass where we are called to go forth and live the Mission of the Gospel in our daily lives. Tea and coffee will be available. *Please note there will be no discussion group on Friday 1st December, but there will be tea and coffee as usual.*

Please pray for the repose of the soul of **Eithne O'Keefe RIP**, who passed away last week, and for her friends and family in grief. Her funeral is on 21st November at St Richards 12 noon with the reception of the body at 4pm on 20th November.

Coffee and Chat The next meeting is on Wednesday 22nd November. 10.30 - 11.30 at Our Lady of the Assumption, Bosham. Come along for a cup of tea/ coffee and friendly chat.

Rite of Acceptance into the Order of Catechumens. At the 11:30am Mass next Sunday 26th November, at Our Lady of the Assumption, Bosham, we will welcome Roger Tait into the Order of Catechumens during when he will publicly express his desire to follow the way of Jesus. Please pray for him as he continues his Formation leading to Reception into the Church at the Easter Vigil.

Carol Service at St Peters Come and sing the first carols of Christmas on Sunday 10th December at 4pm. The carol Service will be followed by mulled wine and mince pies in the hall.

Prayers with Taizé music service Our Lady, Bosham this Sunday 19th November at 4pm. Praying especially for our departed, the theme will be 'Remember I am with you always'. All welcome – bring a friend! Refreshments to follow.

Tuesday Discussion Group (follows Adoration and 10am Mass). Our opportunity to discuss our own questions with Fr David on recent topics ranging from the church's teaching to religion in today's culture and how we can engage as our parish and deanery forge ahead. Join us to for friendly exchange and refreshments.

Altar Server Meetings - this Tues 21 Nov 19.00

Anyone interested in altar serving in the Parish, or currently serving, is invited to a meeting in the Lower Parish Rooms at 19.00 on 21 Nov. We will be running through the basics of serving at Mass. This meeting will be followed up with a second meeting at 19.00 on 12 Dec which will address altar serving over Christmas.

Donations depart for Ukraine the New Forest Charity for the Ukraine collected all our donations and the goods will be departing for the Ukraine Sat 18th November. The Charity said that our donations were one of the biggest collections they have ever had! Very sincere thanks to everyone once again.

Swimathon for Ukraine The swimathon is complete. We are sailing along towards our target of £2,500 for 100 stoves with gas bottles. The fund is open for donations until 26th November. Please bring your sponsorship to Mass. Very many thanks to the parish and wider community for supporting this project in any way. Julian 07721 532711. Please bring your donations along to Mass at St Wilfrid's, Selsey.

School Forms for St Richard's Primary School

The process has changed this year and you do not need to have a signature on the form from Father Tom. Please apply to the school directly.

Men's Breakfast 8.00am Saturday 25 November 2023
New Venue: The Woolpack Inn, 71 Fishbourne Road (West), Fishbourne, Chichester PO19 3JJ.

Our Parish Offertory

via bank transfer:

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Sort Code: 40-05-20

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First Reconciliation and First Holy Communion

preparation programme. For children in Year 3 and above. We have now completed out 3 sessions for parents. To enrol your child on the programme, please sign in on line as soon as possible on the parish website or contact the parish office. The list of dates of the meetings is now also available online. The first session of the programme for the children and parents will take place on 18th November at 9.30-10.30 in St Richard's Church followed by coffee and cake.

Ladies' Christmas Lunch will be at the Shore Inn, Shore Road, East Wittering, on Friday 15th December at 12:30. To book, please write your name and menu choice on the list in the porch in St Peter's church, or email Marie at marievesey@hotmail.com This is open to all ladies across the parish so do come along.

The Presbytery at St Wilfrid's The garage at St Wilfrid's is now full of furniture: sofa, tables, occasional tables, chests of drawers, cabinets, chairs that we need to find homes for. **This Saturday 18th Nov at 10am** do come and look (and take away the furniture you can use) If they can make a donation to the church then that would be wonderful, but more importantly they will need to be able to arrange transport from Selsey. We may have found a charity that will pick up any left over furniture.

Our Lady and the Saints of Sussex Offertory collections and other fund raising

Offertory	September 2023
Cash/Cheques/Envelopes	
Our Lady and the Saints of Sussex	£5,553
Bankers Orders	£8,491
Credit and debit card transactions	£995
Total	£15,039
Gift Aid Rebate	£14,444

In addition, generous donations in August totalled £607 for the Catholic Education Society and £293 for the Home Missions. Donations for Ukraine are still very welcome. Please remember to gift aid your donations if you are eligible, they are very valuable to the parish. Thank you all for your continuing generosity.

Date	Church	Time	online	Mass Intention
Sat 18 th Nov	Chichester	8am		John Dennehy RIP
	Chichester	6pm	✓	Holy Souls
Sun 19th Nov 33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time	Witterings	9am		Deceased of the Parish
	Chichester	9.30am	✓	Breda and Seamus Moloney RIP
	Selsey	11am		Thomas Lott RIP
	Bosham	11.30am		Monica Sands RIP
	Chichester	6.30pm		Sabu and Family In Thanksgiving
Mon 20 th Nov	Chichester	8am	✓	Holy Souls
Tues 21st Nov <i>Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary</i>	Chichester	8am		Eileen Wood RIP
	Bosham	10am		Nicola Naegon de l'Estang
	Chichester	12noon		Funeral Mass: Eithne O'Keeffe
Wed 22 nd Nov <i>St Cecelia</i>	Chichester	8am		John Siveter RIP
	Selsey	10am		Eddie Scicluna RIP
	Chichester	7pm		Bridget and Arthur Hutchings RIP
Thur 23rd Nov	Chichester	8am	✓	Maureen Jenner
Friday 24th Nov <i>Vietnamese Martyrs</i>	Chichester	8am		Deceased friends and relatives of the McEwan family
	Witterings	10am		Michael Donovan RIP
Sat 25th Nov	Chichester	8am		In Thanksgiving
	Chichester	6pm	✓	Gwyn French RIP
Sun 26th Nov Christ the King	Witterings	9am		Deceased members of the Bailey Family
	Chichester	9.30am	✓	Seamus Moloney RIP
	Selsey	11am		Julian Kerrell-Vaughan RIP
	Bosham	11.30am		Patrick O'Sullivan RIP
	Chichester	6.30pm		James Patrick Roger Gaunt RIP

	Confessions	Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
Bosham	Tuesdays 9.30 – 10am;	Tuesdays 9.30 – 10am,
Chichester	Sat after 6pm Mass; Sunday after the 6.30pm Mass Wednesdays 10-11am and 6-7pm	Wednesday from 8.30am – 8pm
Selsey	Wednesdays 9.30-10am	Wednesdays 9.30-10am
Witterings	Fridays 9.30-10am	Wednesdays 9.00-12noon

Please pray for our sick parishioners: Agnes Martin, Anthony Nageon De Lestang, David Mortby, David Owgan, Denise Turner, Eamonn Hackett, Frank O'Donnell, Gerald McGregor, Gerry Burgoyne, Jean Thorpe, Jill Serna, John Partridge, Hilary Huffell, Kinga Buckley, Lois Bleasdale, Magda Gallanti, Margaret Beazley, Mary Eveleigh, Max Foreshow, Michael Hoffmeister, Nell Hassett, Rene Coutts, Nick Jarman, Paul Carney, Peter Habgood, Rita Rooke, Roger Cluff, Roz Davies, Susan Line, Suzie Walker, Valerie Davis-White, Virginia Maxwell *Please let the office know of any changes*