

Psalm Response: The poor man called; the Lord heard him.

SCRIPTURE READINGS

SUN 3rd Nov: 31st O Time
 1st R. Wisdom 11:22-12:2
 2nd R. 2 Thes. 1:11-2:2
 Gospel: Luke 19:1-10

Please read these readings at home and listen to them at next Sunday's Mass.

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 Non gift aid loose £ 684.47

SECOND COLLECTION

World Mission APF £ 475.23

Thank you for your generous contributions. Your donations make the life and work of the parish possible.

LAUDATO SI ACTION GROUP

Here is our tip for the week:

Try to reduce the amount of meat we eat - start perhaps with Meat-Free Mondays...



Royal Berkshire Hospital
 Chaplain: *Fr JP Lyttle*
 Mobile: 07391 896559
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Sunday Mass 4.00pm
 Patients, staff & visitors welcome

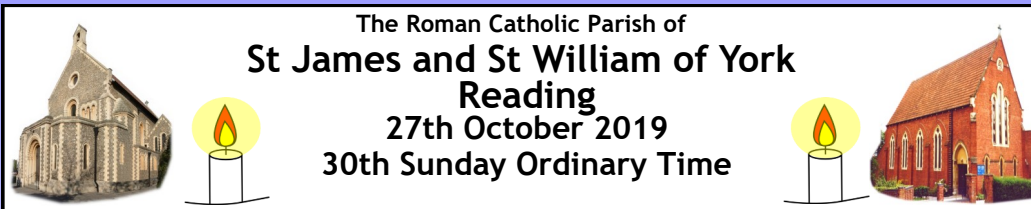
Parish Liturgies for the week commencing 27th Oct	
Saturday	30th SUNDAY ORDINARY TIME
SJ (Vigil Mass)	6.00pm Cyd Nicholls RIP
Sunday	30th SUNDAY ORDINARY TIME
SW	9.00am Margaret Keating RIP
SJ	11.00am Maria Pilomena E Mendes RIP
Monday	SS SIMON & JUDE
SJ	12.15pm Steven Mahom RIP
Tuesday	NO MASS
Wednesday	30th week ordinary
SJ	12.15pm Desmond Rowan get well
Thursday	30th week ordinary
SJ	12.15pm Bernard Coston RIP
Friday	ALL SAINTS
SJ	12.15pm Jino Jose intentions
SJ	7.30pm Clifford Anthony int.
Saturday	31st SUNDAY ORDINARY TIME
SJ	11.00am Maureen Orazuikie RIP
SJ (Vigil Mass)	6.00pm Special intentions
Next Sunday	31st SUNDAY ORDINARY TIME
SW	9.00am Emer Prendergast RIP
SJ	11.00am Lucy & family thanksgiving
Confessions	SJ - Saturday 5pm - 5.45pm
Rosary	SJ - Mon to Thu after 12.15pm Mass
Exposition	SJ - Friday 11am to 12pm

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Fr John writes:-

NOVEMBER: MONTH OF ALL SOULS

Praying for the dead reaches deep into human history from the earliest days of the Church. The belief that our prayers can be of assistance to our deceased relatives and friends is a treasured tradition of our Catholic faith. In the month of November, the Church raises its voice and reminds us not only to honour the memory of the dead but also to pray that they may be purified of their sins, and attain the beatific vision of God.



THE BOOK OF THE NAMES OF THE DECEASED

I invite you to come forward and inscribe the names of your family and friends, those you wish to be remembered on **THE BOOK OF THE NAMES OF THE DECEASED**. From the 1st Nov this will be displayed near the Baptismal Font, the Pascal Candle will be lit next to the stand with the book, symbolising that the deceased have shared in the waters of Baptism, dying with Christ and rising to new life. We hope and pray that they will live forever with Christ, Mary, the Angels and all the blessed in what we call heaven.

FRIDAY 1ST NOV: FEAST OF ALL SAINTS - ALL HALLOWS

We honour the 'holy men and women of every time and place' who rejoice in God's presence, the towering figures like Augustine, Francis, Theresa of the Child Jesus, as well as Dominic Barberi, John Henry Newman and the humble saints of our family and friends, grandparents, parents and teachers who lived their faith to the full. This is their feast day, a day to celebrate them all. Masses at 12.15pm and 7.30pm.



SATURDAY 2ND NOV : FEAST OF ALL SOULS ANNUAL MASS OF REMEMBRANCE 11AM

On Sat 2nd Nov at 11am at St James. The families of those who have died in the past year have been invited. All are welcome especially those who have suffered a bereavement. Please encourage anyone who has suffered a recent loss to attend, we shall pray for all our dearly departed. Refreshments available afterwards in Barberi room



This Sunday 27th October
30th Sun Ordinary Time

CLOCKS CHANGE and go
back 1 hour.



WELCOME RITE at 6pm & 11am Masses

ALTAR SERVERS TRAINING after
11am Mass.



HALF TERM 28th Oct—1st Nov.

OPEN PARISH MEETING ON SCREENS We wish to invite all parishioners to an open parish meeting on **Mon 28th Oct** at 7.30pm - an opportunity to take a fresh look at the project as we plan for the installation of the AV screens and the info screen shortly.

VOLUNTEERS FOR AV SCREENS: to help form Teams for the 6pm & 11am Sunday Masses, funerals, weddings, youth Mass etc. Power Point and IT skills helpful, training will be given.

Please come to the open meeting, see what it is all about and perhaps then volunteer your help



PRAYER MINISTRY TRAINING EVENING on Wed 30th Oct at St James at 7.30pm, led by Clare Simpson from diocesan Healing Group. A new policy on Prayer Ministry has been issued to promote and develop Prayer Ministry. Sign up form at back of church.

WELCOME to Fr David Sillence who will be celebrating our 12.15pm Mass on Thu 31st October.

CENTERING PRAYER on Thu 31st Oct at 7pm in St James Presbytery.

FEAST OF ALL SAINTS on Fri 1st Nov. Masses at 12.15pm and 7.30pm at St James.

ALL SOULS REMEMBRANCE MASS on Sat 2nd Nov at 11am at St James. All welcome. Refreshments afterwards.

Next Sun 3rd November
31st Sunday Ordinary Time
Bameda Sunday

NAME BADGE SUNDAY

SECOND COLLECTION for Bamenda & Bamenda newsletter distributed.

BAPTISMS at 1pm.

BLESSING OF GRAVES 3pm at Mayes Lane.

INTERNATIONAL DAY OF PRAYE FOR THE PERSECUTED CHURCH. Every November Christians around the world unite to pray for others who suffer for their beliefs.

125th ANNIVERSARY OF THE FOUNDING OF ST JOSEPHS COLLEGE will be celebrated on Tue 5th Nov. Congratulations to headmaster, staff and students.

PLANNING FOR 'YOUTH SUNDAY', YOUTH MINISTRY & CONFIRMATION meeting on Wed 6th Nov at 7.30pm in St James presbytery. For all those who would like to help with Youth Ministry in our parish—all welcome.

PARISH STRATEGY GROUP Meeting on Sat 9th Nov at 9am-12noon at St James presbytery.

'COME HOME FOR CHRISTMAS' planning meeting on Mon 11th November at 7.30pm in St James Presbytery.

CARING FOR ENVIRONMENT - OUR COMMON HOME Come to an evening on Thu 14th Nov at 7.30pm at St James. The aim of the evening is to raise awareness of the environment issues facing us all following Pope Francis' encyclical 'Laudato Si - Caring for our Common Home' & to pool practical suggestions which we can all take on board. Please come and share in our efforts to care for our common home.

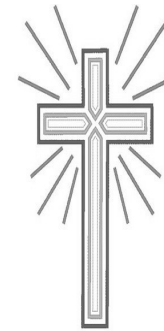


'CALLED & GIFTED' evening on Wed 15th Nov at 7.30pm at St James. For all those who attended the 'Called & Gifted' day on 5th Oct.

DEARLY DEPARTED

Please remember to pray for all those called to the Lord from our parish in the last 12 months.

*Theresa Rapley
Robert Hicks
Anthony Tinson
Margaret Smith
Lionel Robbins
Peter Lane
Vera Lochman
Josefa Mabanta
Bridie James
Remedios D'Costa
Sarah Vargas*



Rest In Peace

BLESSING OF GRAVES

SAT 2ND NOVEMBER

Purley Burial Ground, followed by St Mary's	1.00pm
Pangbourne Hill Cemetery	1.30 pm
St Michael's Graveyard	3.00pm

SUN3RD NOVEMBER

Mays Lane Burial Ground	3.00pm
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SUN10TH NOVEMBER

Henley Road Cemetery	3.00pm
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BED FOR THE NIGHT (B4N) Seven churches in Reading are opening their doors Jan—Mar 2020 to homeless people giving them a hot meal and a bed for the night. Volunteers needed to help. Training sessions at LifeSpring church, RG1 7UY Sat 9th & 23rd Nov and 14th Dec. All 9.30am—12 noon. Volunteer forms at the back of church.



RECENTLY DIED Fr Nicholas Broadbridge a monk of Douai Abbey. Well known for healing Ministry. Funeral Mass at Douai Abbey Tue 29th Oct at 2.30pm. May he rest in peace.

PARKING AT THE CHURCH is reserved for those transporting disabled or elderly parishioners or for members of the congregation who have a specific role or duty in the mass, such as welcomers or musicians.

PARKING IN FORBURY RETAIL PARK Please park your car by the perimeter wall. All cars **MUST** display a parking permit on their windscreens (available from the Sacristy). Parking allowed Mass time only.

TEA & COFFEE please join us after the 9am & 11am Sunday Masses for tea and coffee. Get to know other parishioners and join in with our parish community. All welcome - stay and say hello!

HARVEST FOOD SALE at St Williams raised £45 for our Parish Project—many thanks to those who gave produce and though who bought.

STANDING ORDERS & GIFT AID if you would like to make your weekly donations by standing order and if eligible Gift Aid your donations, please fill out your details on the white Gift Aid envelopes and return to the parish office. If you have recently set up a standing order and not completed a Gift Aid form please contact the parish office.

ADMISSIONS FOR ENTRY TO BLESSED HUGH FARINGDON SCHOOL All families applying to the school must complete the 'SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION FORM' - this is an extra form, without it applications cannot be accepted, copies of this form are available from the school Closing date 31.10.19

HINDU DIVALI FESTIVAL OF LIGHT 27th—31st Oct. We wish the Hindu community in Reading our best wishes on Divali.

