



# THIRTY-SECOND SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME

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## TIMES OF CEREMONIES

|                                  |                                             |                              |                                            |
|----------------------------------|---------------------------------------------|------------------------------|--------------------------------------------|
| <b>Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> Nov</b> | <b>DEDICATION OF THE LATERAN BASILICA</b>   |                              |                                            |
|                                  | 9am                                         | Mass (music group)           | <i>Thanksgiving Ric Caasi &amp; family</i> |
|                                  | 11am                                        | Remembrance Day Mass (choir) | <i>Ellie</i>                               |
|                                  | 4.30pm                                      | Vespers (said)               |                                            |
|                                  | 5.30pm                                      | Mass (said)                  | <i>Pro Populo</i>                          |
| <b>Monday 10<sup>th</sup></b>    | <i>S Leo the Great</i>                      |                              |                                            |
|                                  | 10am                                        | Mass                         | <i>James Sewell (F) +</i>                  |
| <b>Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup></b>   | <i>S Martin of Tours</i>                    |                              |                                            |
|                                  | 10am                                        | Mass                         | <i>Souls in Purgatory</i>                  |
|                                  | 5pm                                         | Vespers (said)               |                                            |
|                                  | 5.30pm                                      | Mass (said)                  | <i>Nicolasa Albano +</i>                   |
| <b>Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup></b> | <i>S Josaphat</i>                           |                              |                                            |
|                                  | 7.30am                                      | Mass                         | <i>Prue Jennings (F) +</i>                 |
|                                  | 10am                                        | Mass                         | <i>Nancy Horner +</i>                      |
| <b>Thursday 13<sup>th</sup></b>  | <i>Feria</i>                                |                              |                                            |
|                                  | 10am                                        | Mass                         | <i>Brenda Bailon</i>                       |
| <b>Friday 14<sup>th</sup></b>    | <i>Feria</i>                                |                              |                                            |
|                                  | 7.30am                                      | Mass                         | <i>Antonina Mary Strivens (F) +</i>        |
|                                  | 10am                                        | Mass                         | <i>Neil Bates +</i>                        |
| <b>Saturday 15<sup>th</sup></b>  | <i>S Albert the Great</i>                   |                              |                                            |
|                                  | 10am                                        | Mass                         | <i>Private Intention (TC)</i>              |
|                                  | 6pm                                         | Mass [Anticipatory]          | <i>Private Intention (AC)</i>              |
| <b>Sunday 16<sup>th</sup></b>    | <b>THIRTY-THIRD SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME</b> |                              |                                            |
|                                  | 9am                                         | Mass                         | <i>Kathleen Middleton (F) +</i>            |
|                                  | 11am                                        | Solemn Mass (choir)          | <i>Katja Antoinette Livsey +</i>           |
|                                  | 4.30pm                                      | Vespers (choir)              |                                            |
|                                  | 5.30pm                                      | Mass (cantor)                | <i>Pro Populo</i>                          |

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#### **Confessions**

Tuesday: 6pm  
Saturday: 10.30am  
Saturday: 5.15pm  
Sunday: 4.45pm

#### **Rosary**

The Rosary is prayed in the  
Lady Chapel.  
Monday to Friday after the  
10am Mass.

#### **Divine Office**

Lauds is prayed in the  
Precious Blood Chapel.  
Monday to Friday at 9:40am.

### **HOLY APOSTLES CHURCH**

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*Saturday*

5pm

Holy Qurbana

*Sunday*

8am

Holy Qurbana

10am

Mass & Confessions

4pm

Holy Qurbana

**The Cathedral Church is open daily from 7.30am until 6pm**

## **A message from Fr Alan...**

**Remembrance Sunday:** I seem to remember commemorating Remembrance Day from a fairly young age (secondary school at least) and then regularly every year of my adult life. At school, the head bugler was charged with playing The Last Post as the flags were lowered to half-mast and the whole school stood in the hot African sun holding the two-minutes' silence. It was always taken very seriously by the staff and the students; I guess because most of us had parents who were born during the war (war babies) and/or grandparents who actually served in the war.

I do not believe that the commemoration and remembering our war dead has diminished by any measure even in these modern times - but, let's face it, the 2<sup>nd</sup> World War, billed as the war to end all wars, certainly brought about a degree of peace, but wars have rumbled on ever since and we never seem to learn what a senseless waste of life all of this is for the men and women in our armed forces. As the tally in Ukraine and Russia moves into the 100s of 1000s, I do hope that, as a nation, when we pause on Sunday for a moment of silence that we remember the casualties and the dead of ALL wars.

Bishop Peter and I will stand at the war memorial outside city hall and lay a wreath on behalf of the diocese and then walk on to the Anglican Cathedral for a period of silence and prayer. I thank Fr Denys for celebrating the Remembrance Day Mass at 11:00 on Sunday.

**Window Appeal:** I thank you for your ongoing generosity in helping me to save the stained-glass window in the sunken chapel. To date we have raised £4,573.50 out of a total of £20 200 +VAT. Please do not worry if we exceed this target as we have plenty more windows that will need to be repaired and cleaned in the years ahead. There is an icon on the Dona machines - please do consider Gift Aid if you are a UK taxpayer.

**Gaza:** A final note of thanks for your tremendous support for the Gaza appeal. I was informed this week that there was an additional £2000 that had been donated via the account we use for 'collections' that was earmarked for the Gaza appeal. This amount has gone directly to the Equestrian Order of the Holy Sepulchre of Jerusalem and will be used, in its entirety for work in Gaza. As a parish we raised well over £4 000 - thank you very much for your tremendous generosity

**'I saw water flowing from the Temple, and all to whom this water came were saved.'**

In those days: The angel brought me back to the door of the Temple, and behold, water was issuing from below the threshold of the Temple towards the east (for the Temple faced east). The water was flowing down from below the south end of the threshold of the Temple, south of the altar. Then he brought me out by way of the north gate and led me round on the outside to the outer gate that faces towards the east; and behold, the water was trickling out on the south side.

And he said to me, 'This water flows towards the eastern region and goes down into the Arabah and enters the sea; when the water flows into the sea, the water will become fresh. And wherever the river goes, every living creature that swarms will live, and there will be very many fish. For this water goes there, that the waters of the sea may become fresh; so everything will live where the river goes. And on the banks, on both sides of the river, there will grow all kinds of trees for food. Their leaves will not wither, nor their fruit fail, but they will bear fresh fruit every month, because the water for them flows from the sanctuary. Their fruit will be for food, and their leaves for healing.'

**Responsorial Psalm****Ps 46(45):2-3. 5-6. 8-9. R5**

*The waters of a river give joy to God's city, the holy place, the abode of the Most High.*

**Second reading****1 Corinthians 3:9c-11, 16-17**

**'You are God's temple.'**

Brothers and Sisters: You are God's building. According to the grace of God given to me, like a skilled master builder I laid a foundation, and someone else is building upon it. Let each one take care how he builds upon it. For no one can lay a foundation other than that which is laid, which is Jesus Christ.

Do you not know that you are God's temple and that God's Spirit dwells in you? If anyone destroys God's temple, God will destroy him. For God's temple is holy, and you are that temple.

Alleluia, alleluia.

I have chosen and consecrated this house, says the Lord,  
that my name may be there for ever.

Alleluia.

## Gospel

John 2:13-22

### **'He was speaking about the temple of his body.'**

The Passover of the Jews was at hand, and Jesus went up to Jerusalem. In the Temple, he found those who were selling oxen and sheep and pigeons, and the moneychangers sitting there. And making a whip of cords, he drove them all out of the Temple, with the sheep and oxen. And he poured out the coins of the moneychangers and overturned their tables. And he told those who sold the pigeons, 'Take these things away; do not make my Father's house a house of trade.' His disciples remembered that it was written, 'Zeal for your house will consume me.'

So, the Jews said to him, 'What sign do you show us for doing these things?' Jesus answered them, 'Destroy this temple, and in three days I will raise it up.' The Jews then said, 'It has taken forty-six years to build this Temple, and will you raise it up in three days?' But he was speaking about the temple of his body. When therefore he was raised from the dead, his disciples remembered that he had said this, and they believed the Scripture and the word that Jesus had spoken.

### **HYMN NUMBERS FOR 9AM MASS:**

*All are welcome in this place, behold love's amazing grace, all are welcome, all are welcome. Bring your hopes, bring your dreams, mercy flows and love redeems, all are welcome, all belong.*

**720, 951, 245, 788**

### **Prayers for the Sick**

Cathy Adams, Dr Michael Anibueze, Philippa Barnes, Ian Beyts, Jennifer Boland, Eleanor Bray, Amanda Caistor, Brenda Devany, Jonathon Fitzimmons, Mary Gledhill, Sophia Gough-Solar, Mary Hatcher, Joe Heaney, Gill Horan, Paul Horan, Joel McDonough, Anne O'Leary, Maria Osorio, Mary Newby, Gary Newton, Isobel O'Connor, Christopher Parish, Canon David Paul, Anthony Preston, Nicholle Sales, Reece Sales, Linda Sheppard, Christine Taylor, Peter Thorn, Lord Adrian Tremayne, Mary Ward, Fr John Warrington, Peter Willets, Adrian Woods, the Wood Family, Patricia Woolley, Isobel Woolner, the Watson Family, Charmanee Wissner, Shane Wissner and Karen Yallop [GDPR compliant]

*Going into hospital? Please inform the hospital ward itself that the Catholic Chaplain is needed.*

## NEWS AND EVENTS

**The Teresian Prayer Group** meets again on Tuesday 11 November at 4.30pm in the Narthex Bar to reflect on the writings of St Therese of Lisieux. All are welcome.

**Hospital Mass** - Mass is celebrated at 12 noon on the 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Monday of every month in the Norfolk and Norwich University Hospital Chapel (Centre Block, Level 1). Our next Mass will be on **Monday 17<sup>th</sup> November** and then on **Monday 1<sup>st</sup> December**.

**Rachel's Vineyard Talk – Saturday 15<sup>th</sup> November** - Rachel MacKenzie from Rachel's Vineyard UK will be giving a talk (for over 18s) at 7.15pm (after the 6pm Mass) in the Narthex Hall about the work of Rachel's Vineyard. There are now over 200,000 abortions carried out in England and Wales each year which over the course of one's life means that the impact and effect of abortion will touch nearly every family and certainly every parish community. This talk is for all, especially those in caring professions and ministries; teachers, counsellors, medical practitioners, priests, as well as for those affected directly or indirectly by abortion. There will be supper and refreshments provided.

**Feast of Christ the King - World Youth Sunday** - this year Pope Leo invites our young people to build on their friendship with Jesus, to be witnesses and missionaries of the gospel message. As pilgrims of hope we are encouraged to share Jesus' light and bring hope to all. Young people are encouraged to fill in a prayer intention card (available at the back of the cathedral) and place it into the offertory baskets. The cards will be given out after Mass to those who would like to support our young people through prayer. Let's uphold each other in prayer and fellowship.

**The First Holy Communion and Confirmation programme** will be holding their annual cake stall after all weekend Masses on 22nd and 23rd November for the Feast of Christ the King - World Youth Sunday. Please keep our young people in your prayers and support our fundraising efforts by purchasing cakes. Donations of cakes and biscuits also gratefully received. The monies raised will fund the catechesis programme and youth group activities over the coming year.

**POSADA** – The tradition of passing the statue of Joseph, Mary and the donkey from house to house is back for Advent this year. Families are invited to sign up to welcome the Posada into their homes, starting on 1st December, for an evening of prayer and fellowship. Given the popularity of this devotion, there will be 2 statues circulating through the parish and there are lots of dates available on the second rota. Please e-mail Jo Graham at [stjohnfhc@gmail.com](mailto:stjohnfhc@gmail.com) to book your Posada date.

**Duckett Library** - in addition to the normal opening times, the library will be open next Saturday 15 November from 10.30 until about 12.30 as there is a 'Hidden Places' tour at 11 am.

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**Quiz Night - Saturday 29<sup>th</sup> November** - doors open 7pm, quiz starts at 7:30. Join us for a fun-filled evening of trivia, laughter, and friendly-ish competition! Take a break from the usual and enjoy a delicious meal of pie and chips. The bar will be open to keep you refreshed throughout the night. Tables are maximum of 8. £15.00 per person (including your meal). Booking is essential. Scan the QR code to book or for more information email [bookings@sjbcathedral.org.uk](mailto:bookings@sjbcathedral.org.uk).



**St Nicholas Craft Fair** - Our Christmas Fair is back again! Join us on Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> December, 10:30 – 14:30. With over 30 stalls to browse, it is the perfect opportunity to grab some gifts or treat yourself to something new. From pottery to a hat milliner, knitted goods and jewellery, we have it covered. Take a break and enjoy some festive food and drinks from The Garden Café. Expect a visit from St Nicholas, live music, and children's craft activities. Free entry which it makes it even better!

**The SVP** will be having a tombola at the St Nick's Fayre on Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> December. Any gifts or prizes can be given to Angela or Teresa and would be very welcome. Thank you.

**Mass Intentions** - please be aware that there is still a long wait for Mass intentions, with very few available dates now until the New Year. Please request Mass intentions in good time if a particular date and/or time is required. We thank you for your understanding if your particular choice has not been available.

**Fraud Alert** – please be aware that the priests of this parish or of any parish within the Diocese should never approach you directly for funds or donations, in particular for personal need. All additional collections will come through an official source, such as the newsletter or through regular donations or on the Dona machine. Be particularly aware of emails requesting gift cards and monetary donations. This will never be a valid form of collecting for the church. Should you receive such an email, please contact the parish office in the first instance and ignore the request.



## INSTRUCTIONS FOR REGULAR SACRAMENTS

With all sacraments, we do try to accommodate the needs of the individual or couple seeking to celebrate in our Cathedral. However, we are bound by the Rite of the Catholic Church in terms of liturgy and music. The priest or deacon assigned to work with you will guide you as much as possible. In general, eulogies are NOT part of the Catholic rite of Funerals and, as such should be deferred to the crematorium or a suitable gathering of loved ones after the funeral.

Our Director of Music will assist you with appropriate music that matches the dignity of the service and is appropriate to the Cathedral - this will be from a choice of sacred music generally played on the cathedral organ (no pre-recorded music).

All readings in the Cathedral must come from Sacred Scripture - poems and prose that do not comply with this should be used at the reception after the service.

### BAPTISMS

**Infant Baptisms** - baptism is the joy-filled initiation into the Christian life and is celebrated as a public event within the community. The Sacrament of Baptism takes place on the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Saturday of the month at 11:30am. This is a joint celebration with up to three other families. Baptism preparation classes are held on the last Saturday of every month from 4.30pm - 5.15pm. This needs to be booked, in advance, through the parish office.

**Adult Baptisms** - generally take place at the Easter Vigil and conferred by the Bishop in his Cathedral. Candidates will need to undergo adult instruction classes for at least five months (usually starting in late September). Classes take place every Friday evening from 7pm - commencing in September.

Baptisms do not take place during the seasons of Advent and Lent. For all Baptism enquiries, please contact the parish office.

### WEDDINGS

A minimum of 6 months' notice is required of any marriage taking place in the cathedral. Wedding couples should be resident within the parish boundaries or have some strong link to the cathedral. Please **do not** make any arrangements nor book any venue or make any concrete plans until you have secured a wedding date.

There is a three-fold requirement for marriage preparation; Catechetical and Liturgical preparation (a marriage instruction course at the cathedral toward the middle of January as well as a one-day course in Newmarket), Civil paperwork (through the townhall) as well as documentation required by the Catholic Church for the chancery and parish registers. This applies whether you are planning to be married in the Cathedral or if you plan to marry in a different location.

### FUNERALS

At St John's Cathedral, funerals take place during the weekday 10am Mass. The Cathedral is generally booked through your funeral director - so please speak to them first about your needs and they will contact the Cathedral on your behalf.