



Corpus
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Wokingham

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Catholic Diocese of Portsmouth



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10th November 2024: Thirty Second Sunday in Ordinary Time - Year B



If everyone gave what they could, what a very different world it would be!

Jesus sits down opposite the treasury and watches the crowd putting money into the treasury. Many rich people put in large generous looking sums, but nevertheless large sums that they can easily afford. Then along comes a poor widow and puts in two small copper coins, doubtless all she has. Jesus points out that because she has given her all, her contribution is worth far more than the rich people's contribution.

Jesus teaches us a difficult lesson in generosity. We have to give until it hurts, whether it's a giving of our money or of our time and energy. If we only give a small part of ourselves then the question we must ask is, what is it that we are holding back, and more importantly, why? Do we only give a fraction of our resources because we lack faith? Do we hold back from giving because we imagine that the money we give might not reach its intended destination, or that it might not make any difference? Do we hold back because we lack empathy, or have become immune to the plight of the disadvantaged? Do we hold back because we feel we have better ways to spend our money and our time? Do we hold back because we imagine there are plenty of other people better fixed to help than us? Or do we simply hold back because we feel our own needs should come first?

It would be useful if God advised exactly what percentage of our money and time we should give, but the only clue we are given in today's gospel is that we are judged not by our outward show of generosity, but by what is in our hearts. If everyone gave what they could what a very different world it would be.

Mass Schedule and Intentions

Saturday 9th November

5pm - 5.20pm *Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession)*

Vigil Mass (First Mass of Sunday)

5.30pm *People of the Parish*

Sunday 10th November - Thirty Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

9am *Rodolfo Baroja and Javier Campano RIP*

11am *Abel Rodrigues RIP*

Tuesday 12th November - St Josaphat, Bishop, Martyr, memorial

7pm

Wednesday 13th November - Feria

8.30am *Silent Adoration*

9.30am

Thursday 14th November - Blessed Hugh Cook Faringdon, Abbot, John Eynon and John Ruge, Priests, Martyrs, Feast

9.30am *Funeral Mass for Joy Phillips RIP*

8 - 9pm *Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament*

Friday 15th November - Feria

NO MASS

Saturday 16th November - St Edmund of Abingdon, Bishop

10.30am *Mass for the Bereaved*

5pm - 5.20pm *Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession)*

Vigil Mass (First Mass of Sunday)

5.30pm *Fr Alfred Buttigieg RIP (F)*

Sunday 17th November - Thirty Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

9am *Thanksgiving Mass from Frida and Lorna*

11am *Magdalena Mijares and Ottorino Visentin RIP*

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Parish Office Opening Times - Tuesday 10.00 to 14.00, Wednesday 09.30 to 12.00, Thursday 09.30 to 12.00 and Friday 10.00 to 14.00

Parish Administrator, Hannah Procter, can be contacted on Tel: 0118 978 0348 or email: wokingham@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk

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Please remember all who are sick, especially, Joyce Unwin, Mary Ann Froude, Daniel Sutton, Sarah White, John Butterworth, Kathy Kramers, Neil Harman, Patricia Grayston, Jim Cuthbert, Pam Bedwell, James Phillips, Phyl Parrat and Fr Jim Joyce.

Remembrance Sunday 10th November 2024 at 10.45am

Join us for our annual Remembrance Sunday short service starting at 10.45am, prior to the 11.00am Mass on Sunday 10th November. For those who are coming to Mass, but who will not be attending the Remembrance service, please be aware that we shall be observing the two-minute silence at 11.00am.



Welcome into the family of the Church

Maeve Butler will all be baptised at Corpus Christi on Sunday 10th November. Please pray for Maeve and her family.



ATTENTION

N.B. Readers at Mass

This weekend Canon Simon will be talking about the New Lectionary and inviting all readers to stay on after each Mass to have a look at the new lectionaries and their layouts.



Praying for the Holy Souls in November

The month of November is traditionally the time in the Roman Catholic Church when we pray for our loved ones who have died. We invite you to write the names of your deceased loved ones on the slips of card in the baskets in the porch and then place them on the purple cloth in front of the Altar.

UCM - Thursday 14th November



UCM

The next meeting of the Union of Catholic Mothers is on Thursday 14th November at 1:30 pm in the Keenan Rooms. They will be joined by Speaker, Sandra Simmonds, who will be speaking about "Life Under the Veil"; discussing her experiences of life as a young wife in Iran. All parishioners are welcome

Mass for the Bereaved

Have you lost a loved one recently or even not so recently? On Saturday 16th November at 10.30am there will be a Mass offered for the bereaved with an opportunity to remember your departed loved ones. Refreshments will follow in the Keenan Rooms.



St Teresa's Catholic Academy Chamber Choir, led by Mrs Krystle Hewitson, will be leading the singing at the 9am Mass on Sunday, 17th November.



Lost Property

Please collect lost property items from the table in the porch before Monday 18th November when they will be disposed of. Thank you.

Wokingham Winter Carnival 2024

Churches Together in Wokingham are running a stall at the Wokingham Winter Carnival on Sunday 24 November 2024 from 11am to 5pm. If you could spare an hour, we need volunteers to help with the stall on the Sunday, this would be a good way to



mix with other members of our Christian community. We are also preparing about 1,000 CTW small children's gift bags for the Carnival and will be putting these together on the morning of Saturday 23 November. Any volunteers would be appreciated.

If you can offer any time on either day to help, please contact Doug Clearly by email: dougcleary91@gmail.com

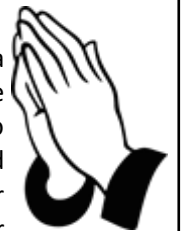
CAFOD World Gifts for Christmas



This Christmas, give your family and friends something exceptional and life changing. Buying CAFOD's virtual World Gifts makes a real difference for our sisters and brothers facing the injustice of poverty around the world. Choose from a range of beautifully illustrated cards, each representing a gift of hope, inspired by real people and real needs. Cards can be sent by post, as an e-Card, or printed at home. Purchase World Gifts, and other gifts such as Advent calendars and jute bags, at worldgifts.cafod.org.uk or pick up a catalogue in church.

Mass Intentions

If you would like to have a Mass offered for a particular intention then please contact the parish office. Please detail who the Mass is to be offered for together with your name and contact details. Often Mass Intentions are for the deceased but a Mass can be offered for any good intention e.g., in thanksgiving for some happy event, for someone who is sick. Perhaps you have never thought of having a Mass offered before? It is traditional, though totally without obligation, to make an offering (a Mass stipend) to the priest who celebrates the Mass. Mass stipends make up part of a priest's annual income.



St Teresa's Catholic Academy Open Mornings

Please come and see our fantastic school in action! St Teresa's Catholic Academy will be holding Open Mornings on Tuesday 26th November and Thursday 9th January at 9am. To book your place please click [here](#) Please contact the admissions officer on admissions@st-teresas.wokingham.sch.uk with any questions.

The New Lectionary

On 1 December 2024 (First Sunday of Advent), the new English version of the Lectionary for Mass comes into force in England, Wales and Scotland. It will be based on the *English Standard Version: Catholic Edition (ESV-CE)* and the *Abbey Psalms and Canticles (APC)*.

After Mass on Sunday 24th November the Parish Mass Books containing the old version of the readings will be withdrawn. If you wish to follow the Mass readings, please consider buying your own copy of the Sunday Missal. Hard copies are available to buy online from the Catholic Truth Society (CTS) for £19.95 - [Sunday Missal \(Standard Edition\)](#) | [Catholic Truth Society](#)

Introduction of the New Lectionary from 1st December 2024 – The First Sunday of Advent

Are you a regular Reader at Mass? Or are you ever asked to read in Church? Then this session is for YOU! We are pleased to offer a session about the new lectionary. The new lectionary comes into use in Advent. The session will be led by Fr. Anthony Fyk, Director of Liturgy and will cover what the lectionary is, its revisions and what they mean for us. It is also an opportunity for Questions and Answers. If you wish to pose a question, please submit it in advance in writing to: liturgy@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk

The session will be held online on Tuesday 19th November and last one hour, from 7pm to 8pm. Please register [here](#).



Can you help with our 2024 Christmas Appeal?

Every year, The Cowshed helps thousands of children who would not otherwise receive presents and we would love you to help us spread happiness this holiday season with our Christmas Gift Donation Campaign. Together, we can make a difference in the lives of children in need.

The Cowshed

Christmas Present Post Box

Please help The Cowshed's Christmas Gifts of Hope Appeal! Your kindness will help bring smiles to children from vulnerable families across Berkshire this Christmas. We will be hosting a donation bin here from Saturday 7th to Friday 13th December. Donations of any **unwrapped new gifts** will be gladly accepted (suitable for children up to 18 years old). Please give if you can.



The Financial Support of our Parish

To support the parish financially please consider setting up a monthly standing order. If you are a tax payer and can help further by using 'Gift Aid', please ask the parish office for a form.

Bank Details A/c Name: CDP Wokingham Corpus Christi Sort Code: 30-93-04 A/c No: 00891666.

Or if you prefer not to have a regular standing order, please consider using the digital collection plates or the QR code above. Thank you for your ongoing support of the Parish.



Job Vacancies - Please follow the link for details of our [current vacancies](#) in the Diocese of Portsmouth, and how to apply. For career opportunities in our Diocesan schools, please see [here](#).

Children **should not** go unaccompanied to the toilet during Mass and should be with an adult at **all** times. This is for their own safety.

Thank you for your cooperation.



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TOMBOLAS, HAMPER RAFFLE, SANTA'S
GROTTO, FESTIVE FOOD AND DRINK,
CHOIR, GAMES AND ENTERTAINMENT
FOR ALL THE FAMILY
ST TERESA'S CATHOLIC ACADEMY
EASTHAMPSTEAD ROAD, WOKINGHAM, RG40 2EB