

PARISH OF ST GEORGE

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SUNDAY 7th November 2021 32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year B)

Gospel .: Mark 12:38-44

In the Gospel, Jesus contrasts the external signs of honour sought by the scribes with the humble, sacrificial offering of a poor widow and declares that she has found true honour in God's eyes. The poor widows in both the first reading and the Gospel gave away all that they possessed for the glory of God.

<u>Life messages: We need to accept Christ's criteria of judging people</u>: We often judge people by what they possess. We give weight to their position in society, to their educational qualifications, or to their celebrity status. But Jesus measures us in a totally different way – on the basis of our inner motives and the intentions hidden behind our actions. He evaluates us on the basis of the sacrifices we make for others and on the degree of our surrender to God's holy will. The offering God wants from us is not only our material possessions, but our hearts and lives. What is hardest to give is ourselves in love and concern because that gift costs us more than reaching for our purses.

Thus can we dare to pour out our whole heart of love into the love-starved coffers of this world?

<u>Readers</u>	Sat 6:30	Sun 09:30	Sun 11:00
	Roland Young	Gerard Dolan	Tim O'Keefe

If you wish to join the Reader's Rota, please complete the form in the porch.

Confessions on request either in the Church or the presbytery at any time you prefer.

<u>Mass Intentions</u> If you would like to have a Mass said for any intention whatsoever then please do pass them into the sacristy through the collection plate or post them into the presbytery.

<u>Month of the Holy Souls</u>: May we be reminded that the Month of November is a special time to pray for our departed family members, friends, and parishioners. Let us be Generous in offering masses for them. Write the names of all you know and put it in the envelope and drop them at the basket provided in front of the Church. Mass stipend is appreciated.

Foodbank The Foodbank has now re-opened so that we are able to meet and speak with clients. Appropriate Covid protection measures are however still in place. Thank you for your continuing donations. Items we are short of are listed on the Foodbank website <u>www.whitchurch.foodbank.org.uk</u>. We are always short of shopping bags. Please leave any you can spare in the church porch.

<u>Traidcraft Coffee Morning</u> Thank you to everyone who supported the Coffee Morning at Bargates and especially to those who helped on the day. A very satisfactory amount of money was raised especially through the sale of goods. Some Christmas cards may be available for purchase soon in church.

Sat 06 Nov	06:30 PM	32 nd Sunday in Ordinary Time	Fr John Gaul
Sun 07 Nov	09:30 AM		November List (The Faithful Departed)
	11:00 AM		November List (The Faithful Departed)
Mon 08 Nov	10:00 AM	Monday in the 32 nd Week in Ordinary Time	November List (The Faithful Departed)
Tue 09 Nov	10:00 AM	The Dedication of the Lateran Basilica in Rome	November List (The Faithful Departed)
Wed 10 Nov	No Mass	Saint Leo the Great, pope and doctor of the Church	
Thu 11 Nov	10:00 AM	Saint Martin of Tours, bishop	November List (The Faithful Departed)
Fri 12 Nov	10:00 AM	Saint Josaphat, bishop and martyr	November List (The Faithful Departed)
	06:00 PM	Holy Ho	ur
Sat 13 Nov	06:30 PM	33 rd Sunday in Ordinary Time	November List (The Faithful Departed)
Sun 14 Nov	09:30 AM		November List (The Faithful Departed)
	11:00 AM		November List (The Faithful Departed)

Weekly Collection We wish to thank you all for your ongoing generosity in the upkeep of the parish.

Sunday 31 October - £201.70 Weekly Standing Orders - £103.50

It would help greatly with paying in and processing at the bank if any cheques to the church are made payable to: "**St George Whitchurch**" which is the correct name for the parish account.

CLERGY EDUCATION & TRAINING FUND - SPECIAL COLLECTION

Next weekend the annual Collection for the Clergy Education & Training Fund will be held. On the training and formation of Priests, the future of our Diocese so much depends.

If you wish to Gift Aid your donation, please make your donation Online. To donate Online please go to <u>www.dioceseofshrewsbury.org/clergy-education-and-training-fund_Please</u> be aware that a minimum donation of £5 is requested if giving in this way.

An electronic version of a leaflet about the Fund is available on the Parish website. This explains how you can also donate to the Fund by Standing Order or Cheque and how to Gift Aid donations made using these methods.

<u>Covid 19 Test Kits</u> the Local Health Authority has asked us to continue distributing Lateral Flow Covid test kits through our parish community. You can find these at the back of church. Please help yourselves.

Our parish safeguarding representative is Helen Clarke.