

PARISH OF ST GEORGE

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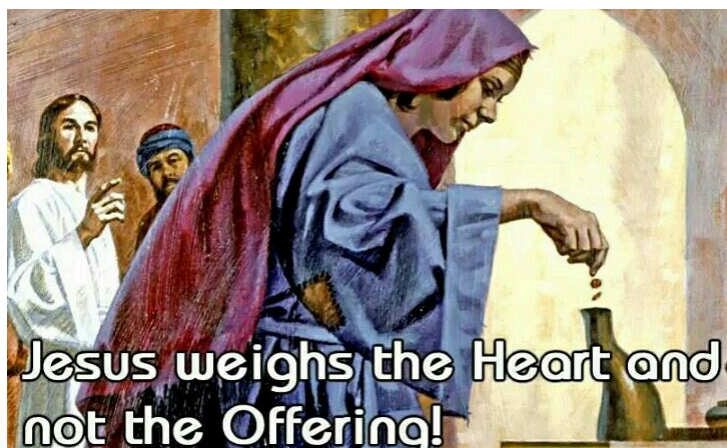
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32nd Sunday in Ordinary time, November 10th 2024

The Gospel: Mark 12: 38-44



**Jesus weighs the Heart and
not the Offering!**

The first reading and the Gospel today present poor widows who sacrificially gave their whole lives and means of livelihood to God symbolising the supreme sacrifice Jesus would offer by giving His life for others.

In the first reading, taken from the First Book of Kings, a poor widow who has barely enough food for herself and her son welcomes the prophet Elijah as a man of God, offers all her food to him and receives her reward from God in the form of a continuing daily supply of food.

In the Gospel, Jesus contrasts the external signs of honor sought by the scribes with the humble, sacrificial offering of a poor widow and declares that she has found true honor 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. The sacrificial self-giving of the widows in the first reading and the Gospel reflects God's love in giving His only Son for us, and Christ's love in sacrificing himself on the cross.

The second reading tells us how Jesus, as the High Priest of the New Testament, surrendered His life to God His Father totally and unconditionally as a sacrificial offering for our sins - a sacrifice far beyond the sacrifices made by the poor widows.

Life Messages

2: We need to accept Christ's criteria of judging people: 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 His 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. Let us, like the poor widow, find the courage to share the wealth and talents we hold. Let us stop dribbling out our stores of love, selflessness, sacrifice, and compassion and dare to pour out our whole heart, our whole being, our "whole life" into the love-starved coffers of this world.

Daily Prayers

"Eternal Father, I offer Thee the Most Precious Blood of Thy Divine Son, Jesus, in union with the Masses said throughout the world today, for all the Holy Souls in Purgatory, for sinners everywhere, for sinners in the universal Church, those in my own home, and within my family. Amen."

**JOIN OUR PARISH FAMILY OF ST
GEORGE ON SATURDAY'S ROSARY FOR
PEACE OF THE WORLD AND
PROTECTION OF FAMILIES--6pm**

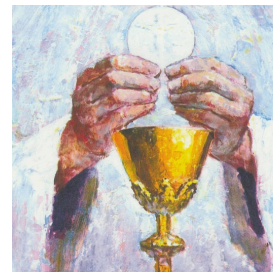


**REMEMBER CHRISTMAS GET-TOGETHER
AND CAROLS AT ETZIO ITALIAN
RESTURANT, 20TH DEC. 5:30PM -7:45PM.**

Anima Christi:

Soul of Christ, sanctify me.
Body of Christ, save me.
Blood of Christ, embolden me.
Water from the side of Christ, Wash me.
Passion of Christ, Strengthen me.
O Good Jesus, hear me.
Within your wounds hide me.

Permit me not to be separated from you.
From the wicked foe, defend me.
At the hour of my death, call me and bid
me come to you.
That with your saints I may praise you
For ever and ever.
Amen



Mass Times

Saturday 09 November	6:30pm	Souls in Purgatory
Sunday 10 November Remembrance Day	9:30am 11:00am	Francesca Parsonage Lindsay Bernadette
Monday 11 November St. Martin of Tours, B	10:00am	T.K. George RIP
Tuesday 12 November St. Josaphat, B, M	11: 00am	J C. Opara Anniversary
Wednesday 13 November	Sacristy	Private Intentions
Thursday 14 November	10:00am	Sanctification of Priests Jack Intentions
Friday 15 November St. Albert the Great	6:00pm	Dorothy Follis
Saturday 16 November St. Edmund St. Margaret St. Gertrude	6:30pm	Souls in Purgatory
Sunday 17 November	9:30am 11:00am	Victor Thompson John & Sarah Bradey RIP

SYMBOLON _ Th Catholic Faith Explained

Beginning Wednesday the 27th of November at 7.00 pm we are going to learn more about our faith through a series called Symbolon. Created by the Augustine Institute and filmed on location in Rome, the Holy Land and elsewhere, dozens of nationally known teachers clearly present the beauty of Catholicism. The evening will be facilitated by Jane Deegan Director for Marriage & Family, Lay Spirituality and Prayer for the diocese. We would love to see you there. For more information please speak to Fr Thaddeus or contact Jane on 07517 906435 or send an email to jane.deegan@dioceseofshrewsbury.org

FORMED - AUGUSTINE INSTITUTE RESOURCE - FREE ACCESS

Due to the brilliant initiative of one of our parishioners our parish of St George has been granted free access to the Augustine Institute's beautiful online resource entitled Formed. To access this resource please go to [Add a little bit of body text](#) click on 'Find My Parish Subscription' along the top menu bar and then enter 'St George Whitchurch' Our parish is the first on the list that then comes up. Click on it and then press 'Next' This will take you to a page that requires you to add your name and email address. Once that is done you can start watching. Our grateful thanks to Mary.

Sat. 6:30PM	Sun. 9:30am	Sun.11:00am
Hazel Spencer	Agnes	Peculiar Chinagorom

Mass Offering -27th October -£339.11

Standing orders-----£118.25

**Confession is Saturdays 5-6pm,
30mins before and after mass and on
request.**

**REMEMBER COFFEE MORNING -
SATURDAY, 7TH DECEMBER, 10AM-
1:00PM--BARGATES HALL WHITCHURCH**

Our Parish Safeguarding representative is Helen Clarke