

PARISH OF ST GEORGE

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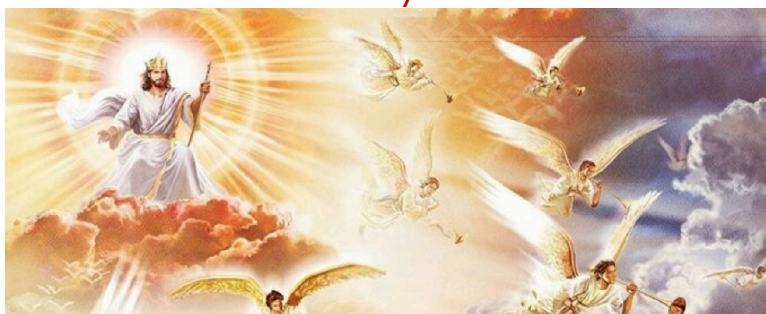
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33rd Sunday in Ordinary time, November 17th 2024

The Gospel: Mark 13: 24-32

**Jesus, coming with Great
Power and Glory**



Today's readings give us the assurance that our God is with us all the days of our lives. The Holy Spirit is in our midst guiding, protecting, and strengthening us in spite of our necessary human uncertainty concerning the end time when "Christ will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead."

Next Sunday is the Thirty-fourth and last Sunday in our liturgical year when we celebrate the Feast of Christ the King, and the following Sunday marks the beginning of the Advent season with a new Liturgical Cycle - C - for our Sunday Readings. Each year at this time, the Church asks us to meditate on the "four last things" - Death, Judgment, Heaven and Hell - as they apply to us.

The readings invite us to focus our attention on the threefold coming of Jesus: 1) His first coming according to the flesh, as Redeemer. 2) His second coming, either at our death, or at the end of time and the world, which will bring our salvation to completion. 3) His coming into our lives daily as we live genuinely as Christians.

Today's Gospel, taken from Mark (AD 69), offered hope to early Christians persecuted by the Roman Emperor Nero, and to us as well, reminding us of Jesus' words about His glorious return to earth with great power and glory as Judge in order to gather and reward God's elect.

Through the parable of the fig tree, Jesus warns us all to read the "signs of the time," and reminds us that we must be ever prepared to give an account of our lives to Him our Judge, because we do not know "either the day or the hour" of our own death or of His final coming.

Life Messages

We need to "learn the lesson from the fig tree." This means that we are to watch and wait in a state of readiness. Instead of worrying about the end time events, we are asked to live every day of our lives loving God and loving our neighbours.

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**



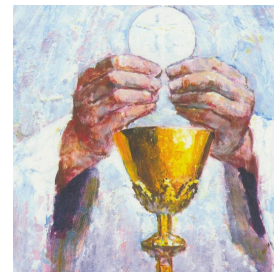
**REMEMBER COFFEE MORNING -SATURDAY,
7TH DECEMBER, 10AM--1:00PM--BARGATES
HALL WHITCHURCH**

**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 16 November	6:30pm	Souls in Purgatory
Sunday 17 November	9:30am 11:00am	Victor Thompson John and Sarah Bradley
Monday 18 November	10:00am	J C. Opara
Tuesday 19 November	10:00am	Good Health
Wednesday 20 November	Sacristy	Private Intentions
Thursday 21 November Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary	10:00am	Sanctification of Priests
Friday 22 November St. Cecilia	6:00pm	Tony Podesta
Saturday 23 November	6:30pm	Souls in Purgatory
Sunday 24 November	9:30am 11:00am	Parishioners

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

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 <https://formed.org> and 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 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.

Sat. 6:30PM	Sun. 9:30am	Sun. 11:00am
Roland Young	Eileen Livesey	Ann Carr

Mass Offering -10th November -£303.

Standing orders-----£118.25

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

Our Parish Safeguarding representative is Helen Clarke