

THIRTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

YEAR B

27th OCTOBER 2024 : Mass Times

Sunday 27 th October	11.00 am	30 th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	Margaret Evans + Anna Pike +
Tuesday 29 th October	9.30 am	WEEKDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	Fredrick & Evelyn Crowther +
Friday 1st November	11:00 am	SOLEMNITY OF ALL SAINTS	Jo, Rita & Michael +
Sunday 3 rd November	11.00 am	31 st SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	Krystyna & Edward Zarczyński +



Sacrament of Reconciliation

Please feel free to contact Fr. Nnam Di Obi to arrange confession

If Father Nnam Di Obi is not available and a priest is required urgently, please call:

Holy Family : 01793 297 256

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St Joseph's Catholic Church, Wroughton

We welcome visitors and anyone who is visiting us for the first time.

We pray for God's special blessing on you.

We wish you a very Happy and Holy worship with us.



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Readings	: Sunday Mass Cycle B : Ordinary Time Week 30 Year 2.
Eucharistic Prayer	: Psalter 2 (or at Priest's Choice)
Entrance Antiphon	: Let the hearts that seek the Lord rejoice; turn to the Lord and his strength; constantly seek his face.
First Reading	: Jeremiah 31: 7-9
Psalms Response	: What marvels the Lord worked for us! Indeed we were glad.
Second Reading	: Hebrews 5: 1-6
Gospel Acclamation	: Alleluia, alleluia! I am the light of the world, says the Lord, anyone who follows me will have the light of life. Alleluia!
Gospel	: Mark 10: 46-52
Communion Antiphon	: We will ring out our joy at your saving help and exult in the name of our God.

THIS SUNDAY'S READINGS

1st Reading

I will comfort the blind and the lame as I lead them back.

2nd Reading

You are a priest of the order of Melchizedek, and forever.

Gospel

Master, let me see again.

Jeremiah is a wonderful prophet. He is not giving voice to his usual miserable lamentations. No. He cries out with joy for the house of Israel and invites us to praise the Lord who saves his people.

He offers hope for the day of the Lord, when the blind shall see again.

This prophecy is fulfilled in the poor blind beggar, Bartimeus; son of Timayios; son of honour.

It is a different scenario to the usual healing miracle texts of the synoptic accounts. This is more of a call to follow. Jesus had left Jericho and was moving upward to Jerusalem, to enter his glory through the way of the cross, when this poor man cried out and picked up the last space for discipleship. Bartimeus couldn't see but he could hear about Jesus passing his way. Faith comes through what we hear - the word of God.

He threw his outer garment off and went to meet Jesus. After his sight was restored, he followed him. When the Lord delivered Zion from Bondage, it seemed like a dream. Our hearts were filled with joy; on our lips, there were songs.

CHILDREN'S LITURGY: We are grateful to one of our parish members, Marie, a primary school teacher who is willing to lead the children's liturgy every Sunday in St Joseph's. Parents are welcome to be with their children during the liturgy.

SECOND COLLECTION: 3rd NOVEMBER 2024 – CATHEDRAL APPEAL

BLESSING OF GRAVES: Kingsdown - Sunday 3rd November 1:00 pm.

Whitworth Road - Sunday 3rd November 2:00 pm

Royal Wootton Bassett - Sunday 10th November after Sunday morning mass

Stratton - Sunday 10th November 2:00 pm

Wroughton - Sunday 17th November - 12:15 pm

MASS REQUESTS: Mass intentions for the 2025 liturgical year could be easier managed if only we could make a list of all the masses we wish to book with the date and ahead of time. Also, it would be helpful to drop any contact details in case there are changes.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION: The date for First Holy Communion 2025 is on Saturday 10th May 2025 at 11:00 am. There will be a meeting for the Catechists, parents and children for First Holy Communion on 14th December 2024 at 10:00 am in Holy Family Church, Swindon. Application forms are available on our parish website and in the parish office.

BIBLE STUDY GROUP: Some of our parish community members have recently indicated their interest in joining a bible study group. One of us, Diana, is more than happy to facilitate the group with her experience in bible study. Please do look at the parish notice board for more information.

VOLUNTEERS IN THE CHURCH: A very big thank you to all the volunteers in our parish community. We cannot thank you enough for the gift of your time and talents. However, we are mindful that our parish priest and the entire pastoral team have a duty of care for our staff and for those who volunteer to support us in any way. We have carefully discerned that some are beginning to be burdened by their voluntary services. Recently, we have received a good number of brilliant recommendations in the suggestion box; part of it being the need to make some changes and to relieve some volunteers of their duties. Therefore, without prejudice to the excellent services of our volunteers, we invite anyone who wishes to be relieved of their duties in the parish, especially those in the finance and pastoral committees of the parish, to inform our parish priest as soon as possible. We do hope that any decision taken in this regard will rightly be understood as having been carefully made with prayer and discernment.

ACHIEVE AFRICA PRE-CHRISTMAS LUNCH: The annual pre-Christmas lunch for Achieve Africa this year will be on Saturday, 30th November 2024 at 12:30 pm, at St. Peter's Church Hall, 7 St. Peter's Road, Cirencester, GL7 1RE. Tickets are available after the masses. Thank you.

THANK YOU FOR THE "DINE AND DANCE": Holy Family Church extends a warm and joyful thank you to all who made our "Dine and Dance" event such a success. To our generous sponsors, well-wishers, Volunteer's and each parishioner who attended. Thank you.

PARKING: At busy times, such as at Sunday Mass, do consider parking in the free public car park in the Ellendune Centre, when the Church car park is full. Please keep the roads and pavements near the Church clear and avoid blocking people's residence and shops.

TEA AND COFFEE AFTER MASS: Tea & Coffee will be served in the Parish Hall after Sunday Mass and also after the 9.30 am Mass on Tuesdays.

Anniversaries: We pray for the dead, especially those who have died recently - and all whose anniversaries occur at this time. May they rest in peace. Amen.

Diocesan Prayer Link : Sacred Hearts of Jesus and Mary, Charlton Kings.

Pope's Message: Pope Francis has released his prayer intention for the month of October. The intention is for a shared mission.

We pray that the church continue to sustain in all ways a Synodal lifestyle, as a sign of co-responsibility, promoting the participation, the communion and the mission shared by priests, religious and lay people.