

# THE CATHOLIC PARISHES OF CHIPPENHAM & CORSHAM

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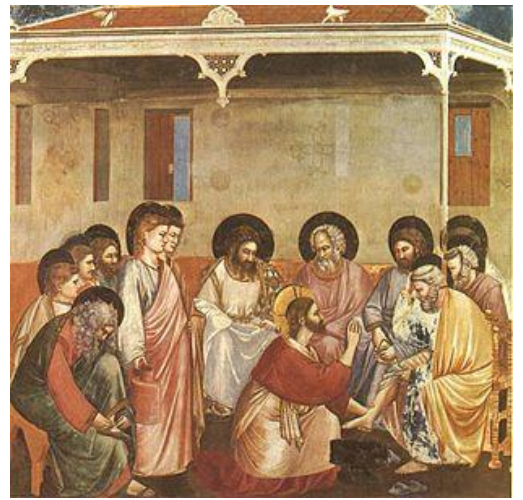
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## TWENTY- NINTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME B

5pm (Sat) Vigil Mass (*Benefactors*)

9am (Cor) Sung Mass (*Pro Populo*)  
with Children's Liturgy of the Word

11am (Ch) Sung Mass (*Pro Populo*)

Monday 21<sup>st</sup> October

Weekday in Ordinary Time

No Mass

Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> October

Saint John Paul II, Pope

12.10pm Mass (Ch) (*Canon Millett*)

Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> October

Weekday in Ordinary Time

12pm Mass (Cor) (*Vocations*)

Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> October

Weekday in Ordinary Time

\*11am\* Mass (Ch)

Years 4/5 St Mary's School attends

No Eucharistic Adoration today

Friday 25<sup>th</sup> October

Weekday in Ordinary Time

12pm Mass (Cor)

Saturday 26<sup>th</sup> October

Saints Chad & Cedd, Bishops

2- 4.45pm Eucharistic Adoration (Ch)

4.15 - 4.45pm (Sat) Confessions (Ch)

4.45pm Benediction

## THIRTIETH SUNDAY

### IN ORDINARY TIME B

5pm (Sat) Vigil Mass (*Pro Populo*)

9am (Cor) Sung Mass (*Pro Populo*)

With Holy Baptism

11am (Ch) Sung Mass (*Private Intention*)

## 29<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME B

**WORLD MISSION SUNDAY** Today, parishes worldwide celebrate World Mission Sunday. By supporting Missio, the Pope's charity for world mission, we stand united as God's global family, in prayer, solidarity, and action. Please pray for missionaries and give what you can to this vital collection, bringing God's compassion, peace, and justice to those in need. You can donate via the machines by selecting 'Missio', or via the envelopes.

**NEW TRANSLATION OF THE LECTIONARY** There will be a meeting for readers of both parishes on Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> November at 2.30pm in the parish office in Chippenham to update procedures and introduce you to the new translation of scripture and new books used at Mass.

**NOVEMBER MASSES FOR THE DEPARTED** If you would like Mass offered for family/loved ones during this month of the Holy Souls, envelopes are available in Church. These slots fill quickly. Please book early.

**SOLEMNITY OF ALL SAINTS** Friday 1<sup>st</sup> November (Holyday of Obligation) mass at 12noon in Corsham and 7pm in Chippenham. A Requiem Mass for All Souls Day will be celebrated at St Mary's on Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> November at 11am.

**RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS** Journey in faith continues this Wed at 7pm in the office at St Mary's, entitled 'A God who speaks?'. There is still time to join!

**LISTED PLACES OF WORSHIP SCHEME** The Catholic Bishops have provided a (pre-written) letter to be sent to our local MPs in support of continuing the Listed Places of Worship Scheme, by which it is possible to reclaim VAT on works to listed churches, which expires in March 2025. We need EVERYONE to send a letter please. Go to <https://www.cbcew.org.uk/listed-places-of-worship-grant-scheme/>

**FLAME 2025** 25<sup>th</sup> March at Wembley Arena is a gathering for young people aged 14 to university age. The parishes would like to send and sponsor a group to attend <https://www.cymfed.org.uk/> More info contact the Parish Administrator. The theme of Flame is 'Unstoppable: Fan the Flame of Hope'.

**ASSISTED SUICIDE BILL** will have its second reading in the House of Commons on 26<sup>th</sup> November. Please email your MP using the tool at <https://righttolife.org.uk/>.

**ST MARY'S ALTAR SERVERS** We're looking for temporary (or even permanent) servers over the Christmas period as several of our servers will be away this year. Please contact Fr Michael, Rodney our MC or the Office.

**CORSHAM HOSPITALITY ROTA** Please join our hospitality Rota. If you can help, please sign the sheet in the hall after Mass.

**OUR SACRISTY TEAM** needs help at St Mary's from November to January, as a sacristan will be away. There will be a get-together on Saturday 26<sup>th</sup> October at 12pm in the sacristy for volunteers. All are welcome.

**FIRST HOLY COMMUNION 2025** If you would like your child (school year 3 and above) to join the programme, please collect an application form in person from Fr Michael or the Parish Administrator after Mass at either church on Saturday/Sunday and have a chat. A vital part of preparation for this sacrament is the weekly attendance at Mass.

**ALL SAINTS DAY PARTY** Children's fancy dress 5pm-7pm, Fri 1st November at St Patrick's Hall Corsham. Come dressed as your favourite saint! Party games, party food as well as a prize for best dressed saint!

**STARTING SCHOOL?** If you have a child born between 1<sup>st</sup> September 2020 and 31<sup>st</sup> August 2021, now is the time to apply for a place at a primary school for September 2025 onwards. Complete an application form available from the school admissions team of Wiltshire Council. If your child has been baptised and you are applying for a Catholic school, you must provide a baptism certificate to the school. Please ensure you apply by the closing date of 15<sup>th</sup> January 2025.

**CLEANERS** The next meeting of St Mary's cleaners Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> November at 9am in the Church. Thank you.

**VACANCY PARISH ADMINISTRATOR ST JOHN'S, TROWBRIDGE** Hours: Tues-Fri 9am-2pm. Salary: £12.50-£14 per hour. A job description and application form can be downloaded from the parish website <https://www.stjohnthebaptisttrowbridge.co.uk/> Deadline for applications: 8<sup>th</sup> November.

**CARE OF CANON MILLETT'S GRAVE** The grave care group is looking for people to join them. Please see Fr Michael or Teresa the Parish Administrator if you would like to help.

**MUSIC IN THE NEW LITURGY** The Diocese has produced some podcasts, [Music in the Liturgy | Clifton Diocese](#), about 'Singing the Mass' which will help us pray the Mass and guide us in our use of the new lectionary.

**NEW MISSALS** are being produced by printing companies following the introduction of the new Lectionary at the start of Advent this year. You can order a new missal from Catholic Truth Society and Hodder & Stoughton.

**CLOCKS GO BACK** next weekend one hour as British Summer Time ends.

**SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION - CONFESSIONS** are heard at St Mary's on Saturday between 4.15 pm and 4.45pm and at St Patrick's after the weekday masses or by prior arrangement with Fr Michael.

### **PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS THIS WEEK**

**The Sick:** Corsham: Richard Keat, Sheila Taylor, Christopher Brawl, Lindsay Price, Robert Wilkins. Chippenham: Lydia Connell, David Lunt, Michael Kenny, Mike Merry, Nic Pollastrone, Chris Rosario, Victoria Kiss, Raymond Johnson, Pamela Naylor, Hyacinth Fernandes. Pray for all in our hospitals, nursing homes and those caring for them.

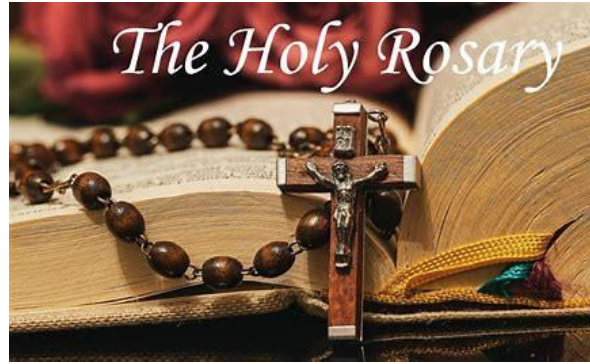
**RIP Anniversaries:** Suetress Allen, Jack Coggles, Eileen Evans, Almyra Tierney.

**The Holy Father's Pray October Intention:** 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 among priests, religious and lay people.

**Diocesan Prayer Link:** St Gregory the Great/St Thomas More, Cheltenham.

*In compliance with the requirements of GDPR permission must be sought from an individual (or next of kin) before their name can be added to a list of those who are sick. Do please advise us of any changes to be made to this list.*

## October – The Month of the Holy Rosary



On October 7th, the Church celebrates the memorial of Our Lady of the Holy Rosary. The memorial of Our Lady of the Rosary, was instituted to honour the Blessed Virgin Mary for the Christian victory over the Turks at Lepanto on October 7<sup>th</sup>, 1571. Pope S. Pius V and all Christians had prayed the Rosary for victory. The Rosary, or the Psalter of the Blessed Virgin Mary, is a much loved devotion to Mary, the Mother of God. “The Rosary, though clearly Marian in character, is at heart a Christocentric prayer. In the sobriety of its elements, it has all the depth of the Gospel message in its entirety, of which it can be said to be a compendium” (St John Paul II. [Rosarium Virginis Mariae](#) – On the Most Holy Rosary). The Church invites all families to pray the Rosary for the mission of the Church and for peace.

In the gospel (Luke 11: 5-13), Jesus instructs his disciples on approach to prayers. Our persistent lifting up of our petitions to God draws us closer to God and opens our understanding of God’s actions as response to our prayers. We need to ask with expectant faith and confident trust, seek for God’s guidance and help in time of need, and persistently knock at God’s door of mercy and blessings. Together with awe, Mary teaches us today to turn our gaze upward, to trust and to entrust ourselves to the Lord. In doing this, we recognize we cannot do it on our own, that we are not the authors of our own destiny, that we are in need of others and that we are all together in need of God. The Lord never leaves us alone – he promised us this. But we must be the first to believe it by turning our gaze from the things of this earth and learning how to fix our gaze on heaven, from whence comes our help.

The trust we show by praying the Holy Rosary is a sign through which we recognize that God works through us and around us and, through Mary’s intercession, we can cultivate a “higher objective in life”. To believe is actually to give credit to the One who can do all things, to accept His help, to recognize that we cannot do everything on our own, to entrust ourselves to Him even when His plans do not correspond to ours, to the point of offering ourselves with trust: “Behold, I am the handmaid of the Lord. May it be done to me according to your word”.

### Asking Mary to pray with us and for us

*Pour forth, we beseech you, O Lord, your grace into our hearts, that we, to whom the Incarnation of Christ your Son was made known by the message of an Angel, may, through the intercession of the Blessed Virgin Mary, by his Passion and Cross be brought to the glory of his Resurrection. Who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever. Amen*

# Prayer for Reconciliation and Peace in the Holy Land



God of justice and peace  
We bring before you the Israeli and Palestinian people  
in all their need, pain and fear.  
Bring an end to humiliation and injustice, corruption and violence.  
Prosper those who work for peace with justice.  
May all peoples enjoy security and prosperity.  
We ask this through your Son, the Prince of peace,  
Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen

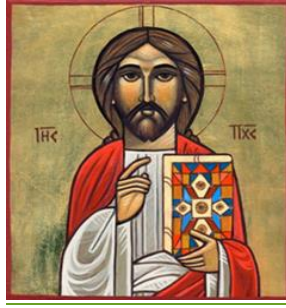
## A Prayer for Ukraine



Loving God,  
We pray for the people of Ukraine, for all those suffering or afraid,  
that you will be close to them and protect them.  
We pray for world leaders,  
for compassion, strength and wisdom to guide their choices.  
We pray for the world that in this moment of crisis,  
we may reach out in solidarity to our brothers and sisters in need.  
May we walk in your ways so that peace and justice  
become a reality for the people of Ukraine  
and for all the world.  
Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

# THE WORD THIS SUNDAY

## TWENTY NINTH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR (YEAR B)



### First reading

Isaiah 53:10-11

*A reading from the prophet Isaiah*

The Lord has been pleased to crush his servant with suffering.  
If he offers his life in atonement,  
he shall see his heirs, he shall have a long life  
and through him what the Lord wishes will be done.

His soul's anguish over,  
he shall see the light and be content.  
By his sufferings shall my servant justify many,  
taking their faults on himself.

The word of the Lord.

### Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 32(33):4-5,18-20,22

*May your love be upon us, O Lord,  
as we place all our hope in you.*

The word of the Lord is faithful  
and all his works to be trusted.  
The Lord loves justice and right  
and fills the earth with his love.

The Lord looks on those who revere him,  
on those who hope in his love,  
to rescue their souls from death,  
to keep them alive in famine.

Our soul is waiting for the Lord.  
The Lord is our help and our shield.  
May your love be upon us, O Lord,  
as we place all our hope in you.

### Second reading

Hebrews 4:14-16

*A reading from the letter to the Hebrews*

Since in Jesus, the Son of God, we have the supreme high priest who has gone through to the highest heaven, we must never let go of the faith that we have professed. For it is not as if we had a high priest who was incapable of feeling our weaknesses with us; but we have one who has been tempted in every way that we are, though he is without sin. Let us be confident, then, in approaching the throne of grace, that we shall have mercy from him and find grace when we are in need of help.

The word of the Lord.

## **Gospel Acclamation**

Alleluia, alleluia!

I am the Way, the Truth and the Life, says the Lord;

No one can come to the Father except through me.

Alleluia!

## **Gospel**

**Mark 10:35-45**

*A reading from the holy Gospel according to Mark*

James and John, the sons of Zebedee, approached Jesus. 'Master,' they said to him 'we want you to do us a favour.' He said to them, 'What is it you want me to do for you?' They said to him, 'Allow us to sit one at your right hand and the other at your left in your glory.' 'You do not know what you are asking' Jesus said to them. 'Can you drink the cup that I must drink, or be baptised with the baptism with which I must be baptised?' They replied, 'We can.' Jesus said to them, 'The cup that I must drink you shall drink, and with the baptism with which I must be baptised you shall be baptised, but as for seats at my right hand or my left, these are not mine to grant; they belong to those to whom they have been allotted.'

When the other ten heard this they began to feel indignant with James and John, so Jesus called them to him and said to them, 'You know that among the pagans their so-called rulers lord it over them, and their great men make their authority felt. This is not to happen among you. No; anyone who wants to become great among you must be your servant, and anyone who wants to be first among you must be slave to all. For the Son of Man himself did not come to be served but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many.'

The Gospel of the Lord.