

THE CATHOLIC PARISHES OF CHIPPENHAM & CORSHAM

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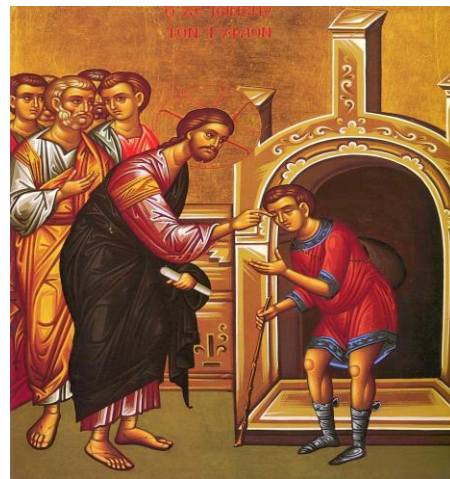
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THIRTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME B

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

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

With Holy Baptism

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

with Children's Liturgy of the Word

Monday 28th October

Feast of Ss Simon and Jude, Apostles

No Mass

Tuesday 29th October

Weekday in Ordinary Time

12.10pm Mass (Ch) (*Holy Souls*)

Wednesday 30th October

Weekday in Ordinary Time

12pm Mass (Cor)

Thursday 31st October

Weekday in Ordinary Time

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

Followed by Eucharistic Adoration

Friday 1st November

The Solemnity of All Saints
(Holy day of Obligation)

12pm Mass (Cor) (*Pro Populo*)

7pm Mass (Ch) (*Pro Populo*)

Saturday 2nd November

Commemoration of All the Faithful
Departed (All Souls Day)

11am Requiem Mass (Ch) (*The Holy Souls*)

2- 4.45pm Eucharistic Adoration (Ch)

4.15 - 4.45pm (Sat) Confessions (Ch)

4.45pm Benediction

THIRTY FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME B

5pm (Sat) Vigil Mass (*Charlie McCarthy*)

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

With Children's Liturgy of the Word

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

30TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME B

NEW TRANSLATION OF THE LECTIONARY There will be a meeting for readers of both parishes on Saturday 9th 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 1st November (Holyday of Obligation) Mass at 12noon in Corsham and 7pm in Chippenham. All Catholic should strive to attend Mass on this day.

ALL SOULS A Requiem Mass for all the faithful departed will be celebrated at St Mary's on Saturday 2nd November at 11am. Do come along and pray for your departed family and loved ones on this special day. A Requiem Mass with Act of Remembrance for the Fallen will be celebrated on Remembrance Sunday 10th November at 9am and 11am Masses.

RCIA Journey in Faith continues Wednesday 6th November at 7pm in the office at St Mary's, theme 'Who is Jesus?'

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION There is a get-together of adorers of the Blessed Sacrament and Ministers of Holy Communion who expose and repose the Blessed Sacrament after the 11am Requiem Mass on Saturday 2nd November in the parish office in Chippenham.

FLAME 2025 25th March at Wembley Arena. This 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/> Contact the Parish Administrator. The theme: 'Unstoppable: Fan the Flame of Hope.'

ASSISTED SUICIDE BILL will have its second reading in the House of Commons on 26th November. Please email your MP using the link at <https://righttolife.org.uk/> Let's show the world we are pro Life!

CONGRATULATIONS to Auxilia Cavaciuti who completed the two-year course in Pastoral Ministry from Loyola University and graduated last Saturday in Liverpool.

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.

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 this Saturday 26th 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.

CLERGY WELFARE OFFICE PART-TIME – 15 HOURS PER WEEK The Curia team is recruiting a new position to support and assist priests who are approaching retirement and those already in retirement or on sick leave. The role is mainly based in the Curia Offices in Bristol with travel within the Diocese as required. For further info www.cliftondiocese.com/diocese/working-for-us/ Closing date for applications: 22nd November 2024.

CATHOLIC SOCIAL TEACHING WITH JASON CHAREWICZ Wed 20th November at St Mary's Parish Centre, Bath BA1 2SQ 6.30pm refreshments, 7.00-8.30pm.

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!

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

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. For photos see [Canon Millett's Grave Carers - The Catholic Churches of Saint Patrick, Corsham & Our Lady of the Assumption, Chippenham](#)

CLIFTON DIOCESE TRUSTEES There is a current educational vacancy to join the Board. Suitable applicants should have in depth knowledge and experience of education within the UK and knowledge of the Catholic sector would be advantageous. Contact Alessia Dini, St Ambrose, North Rd, Leigh Woods, Bristol BS8 3PW or by email to Alessia.Dini@cliftondiocese.com by 29th November.

NEXT WEEKEND there is a special collection for the Cathedral Appeal.

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.

THE PARISH OFFICE is closed next week. It will re-open on Tuesday 5th November. We wish a happy half term to the children of St Mary's and St Patrick's schools.

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, Paul Gosling, Pat Booker. Pray for all in our hospitals, nursing homes and those caring for them.

Recently Departed: Fr Paul Gonsalves (Devizes)

RIP Anniversaries: Kitty Witts, Beryl Beames, Leah Shrimpton, Susan Connor, Veronica Francome, Larry O'Toole, Baby Art Gartland, Dahlia Masters.

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: Sacred Hearts of Jesus and Mary, Charlton Kings.

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.

November – The Month of the Holy Souls



Precious in the sight of the LORD is the death of his faithful ones.” Psalm 116:15

The month of November each year is dedicated to commemorating those who have died and departed to their heavenly home. It begins with All Saints Day celebrated on November 1st to remember all the numerous holy souls who died and are believed to have entered into Heaven. As only some of the popular saints have specific dates dedicated as feasts for remembering them, this day is celebrated to mainly honour all those holy souls that have entered into Heaven and do not have any specific day dedicated in their honour.

November 2nd is celebrated as the Commemoration of all the Faithful Departed (All Souls Day) to remember all who have gone before us in the faith. This practice of remembering all the dead is believed to have been instituted by St Odilo of Cluny in the year 1030. He was the fifth Benedictine Abbot of Cluny and is believed to have instituted the annual commemoration of all the faithful departed on November 2nd every year in Cluny and his monasteries. He called for the day to be observed by the members of his community with almsgiving, prayers and sacrifices for the relief of the suffering souls in purgatory. This was eventually added to the calendar of the Catholic Church and today is celebrated to honour all the dead.

The Catechism of the Catholic Church says *“Each man receives his eternal retribution in his immortal soul at the very moment of his death, in a particular judgement that refers his life to Christ: either entrance into the blessedness of heaven- through purification or immediately, or immediate and everlasting damnation.” (CCC:1022)*. Hence those who have lived in God’s grace and friendship and are perfectly purified enter into Heaven immediately on death whilst those who die in God’s grace and friendship but still are imperfectly purified will eventually enter Heaven but will undergo purification prior to that. The Church gives the name ‘Purgatory’ to this final purification of the elect. This month is dedicated to these holy souls who are in Purgatory and are being purified. We who are on earth can help these holy souls in their purification by praying for them. The Church from very beginning has always honoured the memory of the dead by offering Holy Masses and prayers, through almsgiving, indulgences and works of penances undertaken for the dead.

Let us dedicate ourselves to praying for the souls of all our departed loved ones as well as those who have no one to pray for them on earth.

Listen kindly to our prayers, O Lord,
and, as our faith in your Son, raised from the dead, is deepened,
so may our hope of resurrection for your departed servants also find new strength.
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,
who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
God, for ever and ever.

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

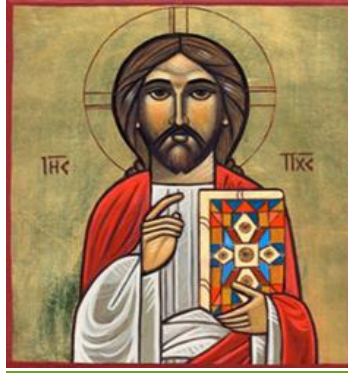
A Prayer for Ukraine



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

THIRTIETH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR (YEAR B)



First reading

Jeremiah 31:7-9

A reading from the prophet Jeremiah

The Lord says this:

Shout with joy for Jacob!
Hail the chief of nations!
Proclaim! Praise! Shout:
‘The Lord has saved his people,
the remnant of Israel!’
See, I will bring them back
from the land of the North
and gather them from the far ends of earth;
all of them: the blind and the lame,
women with child, women in labour:
a great company returning here.
They had left in tears,
I will comfort them as I lead them back;
I will guide them to streams of water,
by a smooth path where they will not stumble.
For I am a father to Israel,
and Ephraim is my first-born son.

The word of the Lord.

Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 125(126)

*What marvels the Lord worked for us!
Indeed, we were glad.*

When the Lord delivered Zion from bondage,
it seemed like a dream.
Then was our mouth filled with laughter,
on our lips there were songs.

The heathens themselves said: ‘What marvels
the Lord worked for them!’
What marvels the Lord worked for us!
Indeed, we were glad.

Deliver us, O Lord, from our bondage
as streams in dry land.
Those who are sowing in tears
will sing when they reap.

They go out, they go out, full of tears,
carrying seed for the sowing:
they come back, they come back, full of song,
carrying their sheaves.

Second reading

Hebrews 5:1-6

A reading from the letter to the Hebrews

Every high priest has been taken out of mankind and is appointed to act for men in their relations with God, to offer gifts and sacrifices for sins; and so he can sympathise with those who are ignorant or uncertain because he too lives in the limitations of weakness. That is why he has to make sin offerings for himself as well as for the people. No one takes this honour on himself, but each one is called by God, as Aaron was. Nor did Christ give himself the glory of becoming high priest, but he had it from the one who said to him: You are my son, today I have become your father, and in another text: You are a priest of the order of Melchizedek, and for ever.

The word of the Lord.

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

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Mark

As Jesus left Jericho with his disciples and a large crowd, Bartimaeus (that is, the son of Timaeus), a blind beggar, was sitting at the side of the road. When he heard that it was Jesus of Nazareth, he began to shout and to say, 'Son of David, Jesus, have pity on me.' And many of them scolded him and told him to keep quiet, but he only shouted all the louder, 'Son of David, have pity on me.' Jesus stopped and said, 'Call him here.' So, they called the blind man. 'Courage,' they said, 'get up; he is calling you.' So, throwing off his cloak, he jumped up and went to Jesus. Then Jesus spoke, 'What do you want me to do for you?' 'Rabbuni,' the blind man said to him 'Master, let me see again.' Jesus said to him, 'Go; your faith has saved you.' And immediately his sight returned, and he followed him along the road.

The Gospel of the Lord.