

Mass Propers

Sunday 10.30am

Introit *Dicit Dominus (Jer 29:11,12,14; Ps 85:1)*

Thus saith the Lord, I know the thoughts that I think towards you, thoughts of peace, and not of affliction: ye shall call upon me, and I will hearken unto you, and will bring again your captivity from every nation.

(Ps) Lord, thou art become gracious unto thy land: thou hast turned away the captivity of Jacob.

GLORY. Thus saith...

Collect

O GOD, our refuge and strength, who art the author of all godliness: be ready, we beseech thee, to hear the devout prayers of thy Church; and grant that those things which we ask faithfully we may obtain effectually: through Jesus Christ thy Son our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, ever one God, world without end. Amen.

First reading *Deuteronomy 6:2-6*

Moses spoke to the people: "Fear the LORD your God, you and your son and the son of your son, by keeping all his statutes and his commandments, which I command you, all the days of your life, and that your days may be long. Hear therefore, O Israel, and be careful to do them, that it may go well with you, and that you may multiply greatly, as the LORD, the God of your fathers, has promised you, in a land flowing with milk and honey.

"Hear, O Israel: The LORD our God, the LORD is one. You shall love the LORD your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your might. And these words which I command you this day shall be on your heart."

Responsorial Psalm *Psalms 17(18):2-4,47,51*

I love you, Lord, my strength.

Second reading *Hebrews 7:23-28*

Brothers and sisters:

The priests of the former covenant were many in number, because they were prevented by death from continuing in office; but he holds his priesthood permanently, because he continues for ever. Consequently he is able for all time to save to the uttermost those who draw near to God through him, since he always lives to make intercession for them.

For it was indeed fitting that we should have such a high priest, holy, innocent, unstained, separated from sinners, and exalted above the heavens. He has no need, like those high priests, to offer sacrifices daily, first for his own sins and then for those of the people since he did this once for all when he offered up himself. For the law appoints men in their weakness as high priests, but the word of the oath, which came later than the law, appoints a Son who has been made perfect for ever.

ALLELUIA *Jn14:23*

Alleluia, alleluia!

If anyone loves me, he will keep my word, says the Lord; and my Father will love him, and we will come to him.'

Alleluia!

Gospel *Mark 12: 28-34*

At that time:

One of the scribes came up to Jesus and asked him, "Which commandment is the most important of all?" Jesus answered, "The most important is, 'Hear, O Israel: The Lord our God, the Lord is one. And you shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind, and with all your strength.' The second is this, 'You shall love your neighbour as yourself.' There is no other commandment greater than these." And the scribe said to him, "You are right, Teacher; you have truly said that he is one, and there is no other besides him. And to love him with all the heart, and with all the understanding, and with all the strength, and to love one's neighbour as oneself, is much more than all whole burnt offerings and sacrifices." And when Jesus saw that he answered wisely, he said to him, "You are not far from the kingdom of God." And after that no one dared to ask him any more questions.

Offertory *De profundis (Ps 130:1)*

Out of the deep have I called unto thee, O Lord: Lord, hear my voice.

Prayer over the Offerings

GRANT, we beseech thee, merciful Lord: that by this sacrifice ordained for our salvation, we may evermore be delivered from the bonds of our sins, and defended against all adversities; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Preface *Preface II Of the Lord's Day: God the Son*

It is very meet, right, and our bounden duty, that we should at all times, and in all places, give thanks unto thee, O Lord, holy Father, almighty, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ our Lord; who on the first day of the week overcame death and the grave, and by his glorious Resurrection opened unto us the way of life everlasting. Therefore with Angels and Archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we laud and magnify thy glorious Name; ever more praising thee, and saying: Holy, holy, holy &c.

Communion *Amen dico vobis (Mk 11:24)*

Verily I say unto you, what things soever ye desire, when ye pray: believe that ye receive them, and it shall be done unto you.

Postcommunion

O LORD, who hast made us partakers of the gifts of these holy mysteries: we humble beseech thee; that those things, which thou hast commanded us to do in remembrance of thee, may be profitable to the succour of all our infirmities; who livest and reignest, world without end. Amen.

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In 1724 the Embassy of the Kingdom of Portugal acquired two houses on Golden Square and constructed a chapel behind the houses. This chapel could be accessed from Warwick Street. In 1747 the Bavarian Minister acquired the lease on the houses in Golden Square. Henceforth until the early 20th century the chapel was known as the Bavarian Chapel. In 1790 the houses and the chapel were sold to the London District of the Catholic Church and the chapel was then rebuilt in substantially the form that the church retains today. This year, 2024, marks the start of our tercentenary year, and we give thanks to God for three hundred years of faithful Catholic witness. Our Lady of the Assumption, pray for us!

Sunday 3rd November (Saturday Vigil: All Souls) 31st Sunday in Ordinary Time—23rd after Trinity

November is the month of the Holy Souls. The Vigil Mass on Saturday night is that of All Souls' Day; although not the Mass of the Sunday, all those who attend will have fulfilled their Sunday obligation. This is the month in which we particularly remember, not only our departed loved ones, but also those souls who have no one left on earth to pray for them. This is a spiritual work of mercy which all of us should undertake: by our prayers, we assist those who are completing their pilgrimage to Heaven, which is the destiny of all those who have sought to follow Jesus, however imperfectly. We know that most of us, unless we are already Saints, will, we trust, undergo that time of purification which prepares us for the life and worship of Heaven. We will look to the prayers of those who remain to console and assist us. So, in this month, we pray, and we reflect on our mortality, and we do so with hope, remembering the words of the St Paul in tonight's second reading: "Death is swallowed up in victory. O death, where is your victory? O death, where is your sting?"

This week's readings

First reading *Deuteronomy 6:2-6*

Love is the only law we are to live by. And love is the fulfillment of the Law that God reveals through Moses in today's First Reading. The unity of God—the truth that He is one God, Father, Son, and Spirit—means that we must love Him with one love, a love that serves Him with all our hearts and minds, souls and strength. We love Him because He has loved us first. We love our neighbour because we can't love the God we haven't seen unless we love those made in His image and likeness, whom we have seen

Second Reading *Hebrews 7:23-28*

We are called to imitate the love that Christ showed us in laying His life down on the cross. As we hear in today's Epistle, by His perfect sacrifice on the cross, He once and for all makes it possible for us to approach God.

Gospel *Mark 12:28-34*

The scribe recognizes that the burnt offerings and sacrifices of the old Law were meant to teach Israel that it is love that He desires. The animals offered in sacrifice were symbols of the self-sacrifice, the total gift of ourselves that God truly desires. We are called today to examine our hearts. Do we have other loves that get in the way of our love for God? Do we love others as Jesus has loved us? Do we love our enemies and pray for those who oppose and persecute us? Let us tell the Lord we love Him, as we do in today's Psalm. And let us take His Word to heart, that we might prosper and have life eternal in His kingdom, the heavenly homeland flowing with milk and honey.

SUNDAY MASS
6.00pm (Saturday Vigil), 10.30am (Solemn), 5pm

WEEKDAY MASS
12.45pm Tue-Fri

HOLYDAYS OF OBLIGATION
As advertised.

CONFESSIONS
Sat 5.15-5.45pm

A very warm welcome to Mass today, especially if you are new or visiting. This sheet contains information about the week's Masses, along with this week's readings and hymns. You are warmly invited to stay for coffee, tea and wine, which is served after the 10.30am Solemn Mass in the Bishop Challoner Hall downstairs.

News & Events

November: Month of the Holy Souls:

During November we pray particularly for the Holy Souls in Purgatory, including our loved ones and those who have no one on earth left to pray for them. If you wish to remember anyone in particular, please PRINT the name on the sheet at the back of church.

Next Saturday's Mass

Normally celebrated at 12noon, it will be at the slightly later time of 12.30pm, returning to 12noon the following week.

Sunday 24th November at 3pm in Farm Street Church

"Is the Assisted Suicide Bill about Compassion, Giving Choice and Dignity?"

Calling all people of faith and those of none.

Come and hear from experts in the field who have serious concerns about a possible change in the law, including Baroness Tanni Grey-Thomson DBE DL, gold medal winning paralympic athlete and advocate for disability rights, Professor David Jones, Professor of Bioethics, and others. There will be a panel discussion with Q & A at the end. Please attend if you are able to.

English Catholic History Association Conference and AGM

Saturday 9th November: join us from 10:45 and hear about **Secret Hiding Places During the Elizabethan Period** with Paul Hodgetts & the **Conversion of Cardinal Newman** with Monsignor Roderick Strange. All welcome.

Mass intentions:

If you have a Mass intention, please speak to Fr Mark. Masses can be offered for the living or the departed, for a loved one in difficulty or sickness; in thanksgiving; they can be offered for non Catholics. The Diocese recommends a stipend of £10, and the priest may offer Mass for one intention only.

Organ Fund

Please remember our Organ Fund, as the need to restore the organ remains urgent. You make a donation using the following bank details: Sort code: 40-05-20; Account number: 21848364 Please use the name **'Warwick Street Organ Fund'**.

| Day | Event | Time | Details | Notes |
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| Sunday 3 rd November | 31st Sunday Trinity 23 | 10.30am (Solemn) 5.00pm | Departed members of Richard's Family | Please pray for: THE SICK Assumption Fernandez, Charlie O'Donnell, Norma Skeggs, Paul, Katherine Lewis, Fr David Barnes FAITHFUL DEPARTED |
| Monday 4 th November | St Charles Borromeo, Bishop | NO MASS | | |
| Tuesday 5 th November | feria | 12.45pm 6pm Rosary | Lucas Borges Friere RIP | |
| Wednesday 6 th November | feria | 12.45pm 6.30pm Sung Mass (Latin) | Radmilla Power & Extended family | |
| Thursday 7 th November | feria | 12.45pm | Frederico Silva RIP | |
| Friday 8 th November | feria | 12.45pm | Chung Lee Tsui RIP | |
| Saturday 9 th November | DEDICATION OF THE LATERNA BASILICA | 12noon 6pm | Chino (Intention) Departed members of the Yeung family | |

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Mass Propers Saturday Vigil only

Entrance Antiphon

Cf. 1 Th 4: 14; 1 Cor 15: 22 **Gospel**

John 5:24-29

Just as Jesus died and has risen again,
 so through Jesus God will bring with him
 those who have fallen asleep;
 and as in Adam all die,
 so also in Christ will all be brought to life.

Collect

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.

First reading

Job 19:1,23-27a

Job said:
 "Oh that my words were written!
 Oh that they were inscribed in a book!
 Oh that with an iron pen and lead
 they were engraved in the rock forever!
 For I know that my Redeemer lives,
 and at the last he will stand upon the earth.
 And after my skin has been thus destroyed,
 yet in] my flesh I shall see God,
 whom I shall see for myself,
 and my eyes shall behold, and not another.

Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 63

For you my soul is thirsting, O Lord, my God

Second reading

1 Corinthians 15:51-58

Brothers and Sisters
 Behold! I tell you a mystery. We shall not all sleep, but we shall all be changed, in a moment, in the twinkling of an eye, at the last trumpet. For the trumpet will sound, and the dead will be raised imperishable, and we shall be changed. For this perishable body must put on the imperishable, and this mortal body must put on immortality. When the perishable puts on the imperishable, and the mortal puts on immortality, then shall come to pass the saying that is written:
 "Death is swallowed up in victory."
 "O death, where is your victory?
 O death, where is your sting?"
 The sting of death is sin, and the power of sin is the law. But thanks be to God, who gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ. Therefore, my beloved brothers, be steadfast, immovable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, knowing that in the Lord your labour is not in vain.

Acclamation before the Gospel

Matthew 25:34

Alleluia, alleluia!

Come, you who are blessed by my Father, says the Lord,
 inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world.

Alleluia!

At that time: Jesus answered the Jews:

Truly, truly, I say to you, whoever hears my word and believes him who sent me has eternal life. He does not come into judgment, but has passed from death to life.

"Truly, truly, I say to you, an hour is coming, and is now here, when the dead will hear the voice of the Son of God, and those who hear will live. For as the Father has life in himself, so he has granted the Son also to have life in himself. And he has given him authority to execute judgment, because he is the Son of Man. Do not marvel at this, for an hour is coming when all who are in the tombs will hear his voice and come out, those who have done good to the resurrection of life, and those who have done evil to the resurrection of judgment.

Prayer over the Offerings

Look favourably on our offerings, O Lord,
 so that your departed servants
 may be taken up into glory with your Son,
 in whose great mystery of love we are all united.
 Who lives and reigns for ever and ever.

Communion Antiphon

Cf. Jn 11: 25-26

I am the Resurrection and the Life, says the Lord.
 Whoever believes in me, even though he dies, will live, and everyone who lives and believes in me will not die for ever.

Prayer after Communion

Grant we pray, O Lord, that your departed servants,
 for whom we have celebrated this paschal Sacrament,
 may pass over to a dwelling place of light and peace.
 Through Christ our Lord.

Solemn Blessing

May the God of all consolation bless you,
 for in his unfathomable goodness he created the human race,
 and in the Resurrection of his Only Begotten Son
 he has given believers the hope of rising again.

Amen.

To us who are alive, may God grant pardon for our sins,
 and to all the dead, a place of light and peace.

Amen.

So may we all live happily for ever with Christ,
 whom we believe truly rose from the dead.

Amen.

And may the blessing of almighty God,
 the Father, and the Son, ✠ and the Holy Spirit,
 come down on you and remain with you for ever.

Amen.