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Sunday 10th November 2024 The Thirty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time (MASS BOOK- YEAR B VOL. 2 PAGE 154)

TODAY IS REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY. Please note the time of Mass at St Finbarr's is 9.30am Today

We Welcome St Paul's Scouts Group to the 9.15 am Mass

ARCHBISHOP'S APPEAL SECOND COLLECTION THIS WEEKEND This funds key areas of ministry: Youth and Evangelization, Our Faith in Action (Caritas) and Clergy Care and Formation. Your support will enable the Archdiocese to support projects within Catholic parishes and Schools throughout the Diocese. Please be generous to the Archbishops Appeal.

NEXT WEEKEND THERE WILL BE A SPECIAL SPIRITANS MISSION APPEAL

We welcome Fr. Dennis Bukenya, CSSp next weekend 16th-17th November 2024 to our Parish for a special Spiritan Mission Appeal. This Mission Appeal is one of the Spiritan Missionary endeavors to support the work of the Spiritans worldwide. Spiritans are a Catholic Religious Congregation founded in 1703. Over 320 years on, over 3000 professed and lay Spiritans, drawn from all continents, today carry out their mission of evangelization in more than 60 countries throughout the world. The Spiritans arrived in the UK in 1904 and have worked here for 120 years. They are caring for the poorest of the poor, building schools, building hospitals, providing water, helping orphans and the homeless especially in Africa, Asia, Latin America. In different parts of Europe, they are also serving migrants, prisoners and serving communities and Parishes. Your support will help them to keep doing their good work around the World and to train more missionaries.

GOSPEL REFLECTION: TRUE GIVING COMES FROM THE HEART (Mk 12,38-44)



Giving is not a suggestion but a religious injunction. The book of Proverbs (19:17) tells us that whoever lends generously to the Lord will be repaid by God for his or her good deeds. In life, moments of scarcity are moments of tests and trust in Divine Providence. They are moments of great blessings. Tobit advises us that: "It is better to give alms than to treasure up gold...Those who perform acts of charity and righteousness (generosity) will have the fullness of life" (12, 8-9). The outstanding charitable act of the two widows could only be possible on the strength of the power of love and faith in God. Significantly, nobody is too poor to give. Giving comes from the heart and only finds expression in the hands. Let us, like the poor widows in today's readings, find the courage to share the wealth and talents we have with

others. Let us learn to appreciate the widows of our parish community. Their loneliness draws them closer to God and to stewardship in the parish. They are often active participants in all the liturgical celebrations, offering prayers for their families and for their parish family. Frequently, they are active in the parish organizations, as well as in visiting and serving the sick and the shut-ins. Hence, let us appreciate them, support them, encourage them and pray for them both now and forever. Amen. PARISH ADVENT RETREAT 2024: Every Christian will need a retreat. It is important for our Spiritual life



to Pause and look deep into our lives. Here is an opportunity for our annual Lenten retreat for 2024. Join and prepare yourself calmly for the Advent and Christmas. For this year, we have a Carmelite Friar; Fr. Luke Dominic Onwe, OCARM who is coming from Oxford to lead us. 29th November - 1st December, 2024. The program is scheduled as follows: Friday 29th November; 6pm-7pm – Talk at St. Paul's; Saturday 30th November; 11am-12.40pm-Talk-Second talk at St. Paul's and 3.30pm - on Saturday-Adoration and Confessions, followed by the Saturday evening Holy Mass at

6pm. He will also celebrate some of the Masses on Sunday. All from the Deanery and beyond are invited.

PENCESTER ROAD FAST TRACK: An update on the scheme can be found here: https://www.parishofthegoodshepherd.uk/wp-content/uploads/2024/11/Pencester-Road-Newsletter-2-November-2024.pdf or there are a few copies available at the back of St Paul's. Please note Pencester Road will be closed to through traffic at its junction with Biggin Street on 18th November for approximately 3 weeks including weekends (Saturday 8am up to 4pm and Sunday 9am up to 4pm). Pencester Road Junction with Maison Dieu Road will become two way temporarily. There will be temporary traffic lights at this junction. Access to the car park in Pencester Road will be maintained. Please be very careful when crossing Maison Dieu Road and Pencester Road, especially while it is two-way, and use the pedestrian crossings for safety.

MINI CHRISTMAS BAZAAR AT ST PAUL'S. Saturday 23rd November from 10am until 4pm. There will be a meeting for those interested in helping this Tuesday 12th November at 7pm in the hall. Christmas Decorations/gifts, Bric 'a' Brac, Sweets, Raffle, Books and games can be left in the box at the back of church. Teas/coffees and cakes will be served. Any other ideas welcome. All proceeds will go towards the upkeep of our Church and Hall. For further information please contact Niki on 07970 303257.

LARGE JAR NEEDED FOR CHRISTMAS BAZAAR PLEASE. Laura (children' liturgy) is hoping to do a "Guess how many sweets in the jar" for the Christmas fayre. If anybody has a large sweet jar they are happy to donate, please let me know, thank you, Laura

ANNUAL MASS FOR DECEASED CLERGY will take place on Tuesday 12th November at 11am at Our Lady of Dover Buckland.

THE NEXT RCIA COURSE is on **Monday 11th November at 7pm** in St Paul's Upper Hall. If you know someone who is interested in learning more about the Catholic Faith or you would like to know more yourself, come along.

SYCAMORE COURSE FOR YOUNG ADULTS AGED 16-35 AT ST PAUL'S Every Sunday 6pm in the Upper Hall. Contact Christina 07587 218374 or Jack 07710 430893 for more details.

THE ADULT SYCAMORE COURSE AT ST PAUL'S Every Wednesday (6.40 for 7pm) beginning with refreshments and concluding by 8.30pm. If you wish to take a look at the course material and learn more about its founder, Fr Stephen Wang, visit <u>www.sycamore.fm</u>

THE ORDINARIATE AT ST. PAUL'S. To help support the Ordinariate ministry in this parish with you I would like to invite you to a meeting (postponed from September) in the church hall at St. Paul's at **11am on Saturday 16th November** to explain the work of the Ordinariate, and the vision Pope Benedict XVI had for the Church in England. All members of the Parish of the Good Shepherd are most welcome to this meeting. Fr. Jamie.

THE ST JUDE'S PRAYER GROUP meeting will be held on the 18th of November at 2pm in St Paul's Parish Hall. All are welcome to join us."

ST PAUL'S REPOSITORY. Catholic Diaries, Advent Calendars, and Christmas Cards are available in the hall after Sunday 9:15 a.m. Mass until 10:55 a.m. each week. Also, other cards and rosaries.

ST FINBARR'S ALL SAINTS PARTY. We would like to say a big thank you to all the parishioners, children and friends of St Finbarr's who contributed in cash, kind and by your presence at our All Saints party on the 31/10/2024. It was a huge success, the turnout was very encouraging, and we are hopeful that it will be even better next year. Thank you for responding so generously, we are very grateful. God bless you one and all - Agnes, Carina, Angie and Esiri.

THE MUSTARD SEEDS are back at St Paul's this week. This term we will be learning about Remembrance Day, Advent and getting ready to celebrate Christmas! All primary aged children are welcome.

Parish of The Good Shepherd Dover and Aylesham 'Called to Bear Fruit': Parish Renewal				
	November/December 2024			
Young Adult Sycamore Group	Sunday 10th November October 6pmSt Paul's, Dover			
RCIA Course	Monday 11 th November 7pm St Paul's, Dover			
Bible Study at St Finbarr's	Tuesday 12th November 7pmSt Finbarr's, Ag			
Adult Sycamore Group	Wednesday 13 th November 7pm St Paul's, Dov			
Rosary and Bible Study at St Paul's	Thursday 14th NovemberSt Paul's, Dover9.30am & 10.30am OT Book of ExodusSt Paul's, Dover			
Ordinariate Meeting	Saturday 16 th November 11am St Paul's, Dover			
St Jude's Prayer Group	Monday 18 th November St Paul's, Dove			
Fides at St Finbarr's	Tuesday 19 th November 7pm St Finbarr's, Ayleshan			
Mini Christmas Bazaar	Saturday 23rd November 10am – 4pmSt Paul's, Dover			
PARISH ADVENT RETREAT 2024	NOVEMBER 29 TH -DECEMBER 1ST AT ST. PAUL'S, DOVE			

ASSISTED SUICIDE BILL. Kim Leadbeater MP is introducing a bill to introduce assisted suicide, which will be voted on by MPs on the **29th November**. This is the biggest threat to the vulnerable in a decade, and we need a huge effort to lobby MPs. Please contact your MP by visiting <u>www.livesworthliving.org.uk</u>

ADVENT OF THE HEART: A CHRISTIAN REFLECTION ON HOPE - Advent Talks in Deal:

'Voices from the Darkness, The Advent Reflections of Alfred Delp SJ and Dietrich Bonhoeffer.' Join Ben Bano as he shares reflections from the book he is writing on the spirituality of these two remarkable men. Towards the end of the Second World War, the two resisters to the Nazi regime learnt that they were to be executed. In spite of their dire situation they saw Advent as a time for hope and renewal. How can we learn from them to inform and deepen our faith? All welcome. Entrance free (a voluntary contribution to cover costs may be given). Venue: Golf Road Community Centre, 28 Golf Road, Deal, CT14 6PY. **Tues 3rd Dec 1.30 - 3pm and Tues 10th Dec 7 - 8.30pm.** Some car parking available at the Centre – more on the adjoining streets. Fr Brian Coyle, Deal Parish.

ADVENT TALKS AT OUR LADY OF GOOD COUNSEL, HYTHE Tuesdays 26th Nov, 3rd & 10th Dec at 7pm and Thursdays 28th Nov, 5th & 12th Dec at 2pm. Parish Hall, 2 Blackhouse Hill, Hythe CT21 5LS. flyer at the back of church for more information Pick up a or go to https://www.parishofthegoodshepherd.uk/events/

Talk Nos 1 Grace: Tuesday 26th November at 7pm and again on Thursday 28th November at 2pm. Presented by Fr Marcus Holden & Fr Andrew Pinsent. [Made in 2016; Film Duration; 33 mins]

Discussion questions: What is grace? What is its purpose? How do we receive it? Who can receive it? Are there mistaken erroneous teachings about grace? Free admission and refreshments. Donations welcome. All are welcome.

PILGRIMAGE TO THE SHRINE OF OUR LADY OF WALSINGHAM led by Fr Mark Wharton. From Friday 7th – **Sunday** 9th **March 2025.** Cost £300. Please contact Claudine Nutley to book a place claudinenutley@btinternet.com. Deadline for booking is 1st December 2024.

Please Pray for those who are unwell:

St Finbarr's: Ann McCallum, Elisabet Sulianti, Gabriela le Bohec, Charlie Golden, Tina Isaacs, Ray Deverson, Lucy Purbrick, Amanda Dennis, Jadon Michael Kalp, Denise Mastro, Tara Conklin & Jamie Chitwood.

St Paul's: David Meadows, Roselene Hindle, Sr Rani Xavier, Thanima Jayan, Janice & Livra Fernandes, Catriona Stark, Chris Quinn, Mary Pressnell, Gaby Anaya Amor, Danielle Sutton, Fr John Ryan, Pat Evans, Shirley Lazarus, Shirley Jefford, Clare Quigley, Gail White, Neil Stevens, John & Joyce Nix, Bailey Turner, Peggy Merrell, Ryan Whittall, Iris (Tilly) Ball, Jean Ann Dowle, Norman Woolhouse, Ted Peel, Christopher Browne, Angela, Alice Wilson, Angela Henbrey, Madison Woodall, Julie Balston, Elisa Gomez Melero, Ann Tomalak, Cathy Huntley, Emin Jain, Pat & Patricia Sherratt, Chris Roy.

Please Pray for those whose anniversaries occur this week:

St Finbarr's: John Muldoon, Brian Hughes, Brian Wiseman, Malcolm Morris, Eddie Lilford, Susan Ann McTaggart, Mrs Nicky Henderson, Joan Yvonne Donner, George Gilchrist.

St Paul's: Mary McClelland, Jessie Carlin, Mary Tarver, John Patrick Kelly, David Barker, Edith Jane McKenzie, William George Blanchard, Lilian Maud Blanchard, Doris Clark, Michael Collins, Mary Colman, Reginald Sidney Sayer, John Dinning, Eddie Curtis, Ivan Marshall, Peter Foster, Stefan Zifa, John Joseph Huntley, Ruby Francis, Alice Zambo, Mary Gillian Blanshard, Daniel Michalcik, Michael Mummery, Ruby Glenn, Margarita Mitchell, Samantha Martin.

EVENTS THIS WEEK AT ST FINBARR'S				
	Saturday 9th November	4pm	Syro Malabar Mass	
REMEMBERANCE SUNDAY	Sunday 10th November	9.30am	Mass for the Fallen	
SAINT JOSAPHAT	Tuesday 12th November	7pm	Bible Study	
SAINT FRANCIS XAVIER CABRINI	Wednesday 13th November	10.15am	Mass for Holy Souls	
SAINT EDMUND OF ABINGDON	Saturday 16th November	4pm	Syro Malabar Mass	
THIRTY-THIRD SUNDAY	Sunday 17th November	11.15am	Mass for George Gilchrist RIP (Bet) & Alexander Emedo Peaceful Repose (Esiri & Richard)	
EVENTS THIS WEEK AT PAUL'S				
	Saturday 9th November	10am 5pm 6pm	Mass in St Edmund's Chapel G/E of Sheila Henneker (Moya) Confessions in the Church (until 5.45pm) Mass for G/E of Winifred	
REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY	Sunday 10th November	9.15am 11am 3pm 6pm	Mass for 3 rd Death Anniversary Annie Padayattil & The Fallen MUSTARD SEEDS Children's Liturgy Coffee after Mass Mass for John Huntley RIP (Cathy, Clare & Joe) Exposition and Divine Mercy Chaplet Young Adults Sycamore Group in the Hall Upper Room	
SAINT MARTIN OF TOURS	Monday 11th November	10am 7pm	Mass for Deceased members of the Castle Family (Anne & Peter) RCIA course in the Hall Upper Room	
SAINT JOSAPHAT	Tuesday 12th November	10am	Mass for Mary & Robert Golding RIP (Colin)	
SAINT FRANCIS XAVIER CABRINI	Wednesday 13th November	10am 5.30pm 7pm	Mass for Barbara Monclus RIP (Anne & Peter) Exposition and the Holy Rosary until 6.30pm Adult Sycamore Course in the Hall	
SAINT EDMUND OF ABINGDON	Thursday 14th November	9.30am 10am 10.30am	Holy Rosary in the church Mass for Private Intention (Theresa) Bible Study in the Hall	
SAINT ALBERT THE GREAT	Friday 15th November	10am	Mass for G/E Father Reason (Theresa)	
	Saturday 16th November	10am 11am 5pm 6pm	Mass in St Edmund's Chapel G/E of Sheila Henneker (Anne & Peter) Ordinariate Meeting in the Hall Confessions in the Church (until 5.45pm) Mass for Asher Oyebode Birthday (Esiri & Richard)	
THIRTY-THIRD SUNDAY	Sunday 17th November	9.15am 11am 3pm 6pm	Mass for Arpad Putnoki (Zaneta Putnokiova) MUSTARD SEEDS Children's Liturgy Coffee after Mass Mass for the Sick of the Parish Exposition and Divine Mercy Chaplet Young Adults Sycamore Group in the Hall Upper Room	

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READINGS FOR SUNDAY 10TH NOVEMBER 2024

First reading

1 Kings 17:10-16

'Jar of meal shall not be spent, jug of oil shall not be emptied'

Elijah the Prophet went off to Sidon. And when he reached the city gate, there was a widow gathering sticks; addressing her he said, 'Please bring me a little water in a vessel for me to drink.' She was setting off to bring it when he called after her. 'Please' he said 'bring me a scrap of bread in your hand.' 'As the Lord your God lives,' she replied 'I have no baked bread, but only a handful of meal in a jar and a little oil in a jug; I am just gathering a stick or two to go and prepare this for myself and my son to eat, and then we shall die.' But Elijah said to her, 'Do not be afraid, go and do as you have said; but first make a little scone of it for me and bring it to me, and then make some for yourself and for your son. For thus the Lord speaks, the God of Israel:

"Jar of meal shall not be spent, jug of oil shall not be emptied, before the day when the Lord sends rain on the face of the earth.""

The woman went and did as Elijah told her and they ate the food, she, himself and her son. The jar of meal was not spent nor the jug of oil emptied, just as the Lord had foretold through Elijah.

Responsorial Psalm 145(146):7-10 My soul, give praise to the Lord.

Second reading

Hebrews 9:24-28

Christ, our high priest, has done away with sin by sacrificing himself

It is not as though Christ had entered a manmade sanctuary which was only modelled on the real one; but it was heaven itself, so that he could appear in the actual presence of God on our behalf. And he does not have to offer himself again and again, like the high priest going into the sanctuary year after year with the blood that is not his own, or else he would have had to suffer over and over again since the world began. Instead of that, he has made his appearance once and for all, now at the end of the last age, to do away with sin by sacrificing himself. Since men only die once, and after that comes judgement, so Christ, too, offers himself only once to take the faults of many on himself, and when he appears a second time, it will not be to deal with sin but to reward with salvation those who are waiting for him.

Gospel Acclamation Rv2:10 Alleluia, alleluia! Even if you have to die, says the Lord, keep faithful, and I will give you the crown of life. Alleluia!

Gospel

Mark 12:38-44

This poor widow has put in more than all In his teaching Jesus said, 'Beware of the scribes who like to walk about in long robes, to be greeted obsequiously in the market squares, to take the front seats in the synagogues and the places of honour at banquets; these are the men who swallow the property of widows, while making a show of lengthy prayers. The more severe will be the sentence they receive.'

He sat down opposite the treasury and watched the people putting money into the treasury, and many of the rich put in a great deal. A poor widow came and put in two small coins, the equivalent of a penny. Then he called his disciples and said to them, 'I tell you solemnly, this poor widow has put more in than all who have contributed to the treasury; for they have all put in money they had over, but she from the little she had has put in everything she possessed, all she had to live on.'

Act of Spiritual Communion

My Jesus, I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament. I love You above all things and I desire to receive You into my soul. Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally, come spiritually into my heart. I embrace You as if You were already there and unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You.