



# THE PARISH OF OUR LADY & ST. WULSTAN

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## 17 NOV. 2024 – THIRTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME – WORLD DAY OF THE POOR

Please gather in prayerful silence. Be encouraged “to speak to God before Mass and to speak to your neighbour after Mass”.

Saturday 16 5.30pm	<i>Vigil: Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time</i> Eileen Kenney (Birthday) Patrick Reardon RIP
Sunday 17 10.00am 11.30am	<i>Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time</i> Mary Hughes RIP <b>Baptism: Edward Alexander Thomas</b> <b>Grace Beatrice Thomas</b>
Monday 18 9.30am	<i>Feria in Ordinary Time</i> Mass
Tuesday 19	<i>Feria in Ordinary Time</i> Private Mass
Wednesday 20 6.00pm 7.00pm	<i>Feria in Ordinary Time</i> Eucharistic Adoration Mass
Thursday 21 9.30am	<i>Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary</i> <b>Year 4 Class Mass in School</b>
Friday 22 9.30am	<i>St. Cecilia, Virgin, Martyr</i> Mass
Saturday 23 5.30pm	<i>Feria in Ordinary Time</i> Private Mass <i>Vigil: Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe.</i>
Sunday 24 10.00am	<i>Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe.</i> Leslie Perry & Perry Family Intentions

Eucharistic Adoration: Wednesday 6.00pm – 7.00pm.  
Confession: 4.45pm – 5.25pm.  
Private Rosary / Quiet Prayer: Sunday - 9.30am – 10.00am  
Refreshments: Sundays 11.00am to 11.45am - parish hall.  
Children's Liturgy: At 10.00am Mass on Sundays during term time.

**Pope's Prayer Intention for November – For anyone who has lost a child:** We pray that all parents who mourn the loss of a son or daughter find support in their community and receive peace and consolation from the Holy Spirit.

**My Words will Remain:** Thanks to the writers of the Gospels, the words of the Lord remain with us to this very day. They are with us to teach us, guide us, to inspire us, to comfort us, and to challenge us. How well do we listen to his words, and how hard do we try to practice them in our lives?

**Blessing of Parishioners' Graves at St. James':** Family and friends of those who are buried at St. James' Cemetery, Southam are warmly invited on Sunday 24 November at 11.30am to the Blessing of Graves. This will be an opportunity to remember of all the faithful departed buried there and pray for the repose of their souls.

The Service will begin with prayers and reflection. Family and friends are then invited to gather at the graveside of their loved one, and the priest will pray alongside them and bless the grave with Holy Water.

People who have taken part in similar blessings elsewhere have found this a deeply moving event, and a beautiful opportunity to remember and pray for their loved ones.

We are very grateful to St. James' parish authorities for their help in this regard. We hope in the future this could be carried out either on the 2<sup>nd</sup> of November or on the Sunday nearest to it at convenient time for many.

**Sick:** Please pray for Fr. Michael White, Janet Pittam, Nora Brown, Bernie Grant, John Ison, Chris Ison and all those who are unwell currently and those who need our prayers.

**RIP:** Please pray for Maureen Goulden, Mgr. Graham Wilkinson, Theresa Woodward RIP and all those recently deceased, all the faithful departed and those whose anniversaries occur around this time. May they rest in peace.

**Sanctuary Lamp:** The sanctuary lamp is burning this week for Ada & Ernie Roust RIP. Let us pray for the repose of their souls. Dates to book Sanctuary Lamp are available from 11<sup>th</sup> January 2025 at £4.00 per week.

**World Day of the Poor, 17 November 2024:** 'The prayer of the poor rises up to God' (cf. Sir 21:5) The Pope's message for the 8<sup>th</sup> World Day of the Poor invites us to 'be friends of the poor, following in the footsteps of Jesus'. Parishes are encouraged to use this opportunity to reflect on the needs in our local communities, and how we are reaching out with spiritual and material support. Please visit: [www.vatican.va/content/francesco/en/messages/poveri/documents/20240613-messaggiioviii-giornatamondiale-poveri-2024.html](http://www.vatican.va/content/francesco/en/messages/poveri/documents/20240613-messaggiioviii-giornatamondiale-poveri-2024.html)

**APF Red (Mission) Boxes:** Those who help the 'missions' through the 'Red Box Appeal', kindly bring your boxes to the coordinators for forwarding your contributions to the central Mission office, as soon as possible.

**Offertory Collections - 06 October 2024**  
 Non-Gift Aided: £113.41 Candles £12.11  
 Baptism Donations: £87.50 Donation for Parish Hall: £15.00  
 Mass Attendance: Saturday: 35 Sunday: 45 Total: 80  
*Thank you very much for your generosity.*

**Catholic Youth Services:** Next Weekend there will be a Second Collection for the Catholic Youth services.

**Knitting for Stella Maris:** When you knit a hat or mittens for a seafarers or fisher you do more than keep them warm, you remind them that that someone cares. The knitting patterns can be obtained from The Piety Stall after weekend Masses.

**Walk with Me** prayer booklets and Advent Calendars are available in our church. Please collect your copies. A donation of £1.00 for the booklet and 30p for the calendar will much appreciated.

**Christmas Cards** are on sale in the parish hall from this week. Please buy these cards with religious message and support our parish piety stall. *Keep Christ in Christmas!*

**Take Action – Petition Against Assisted Suicide:** The CBCEW website has been updated with a raft of resources for parishioners to be informed regarding the assisted suicide legislation that is currently working its way through Parliament. Please encourage our parishioners to write to their MPs either directly or via the link found on the CBCEW Website:

<https://www.cbcew.org.uk/opposingassisted-suicide/>

Cards are available in our church for parishioners to make use of them.

**New Edition of the Lectionary for Mass:** The new edition of the Lectionary for Mass (Ordo Lectionum Missae) confirmed by the Apostolic See in 2023 comes into use in England and Wales on the First Sunday of Advent 2024. By decree of the Bishops' Conference, "From that date forward, no other English language edition of the Lectionary for Mass may be used in the dioceses of England and Wales."

The Archdiocese of St Andrew's and Edinburgh have published three YouTube videos on the Lectionary which are useful for formation as to why the text has changed. For easy access, these are available via the Lectionary tab on the Bishops' Conference The links are: Bishop Hugh Gilbert (Aberdeen) on "Introducing the English Standard Version"

Fr Paul Denney on "The New Lectionary"  
 Fr Adrian Porter SJ on "Proclaim the Word in the Liturgy"

**St. James' Church Christmas Tree Festival - Nov. 22 – 24:** A display of Christmas trees decorated by Community Groups. For more information, see poster in the porch.