LET US PRAY FOR THE SICK AND HOUSEBOUND

Please keep all the sick and housebound in your prayers.

RECENTLY DECEASED



Let us pray for all those who have died recently. We also pray for all those whose Anniversaries occur at this time. May they Rest in Peace. Please keep their families in your prayers.

Every life is unique and special, especially at their passing. If you would like a 'paragraph eulogy' included in the bulletin, please contact Father Pat.

ROTAS FOR 29/30 November 2025: First Sunday in Advent: Yr. A

Readers: Sat 29 6.30pm Brian Viles

Sun 30 8.30am Christina Morris

Sun 30 10.00am Lucinda Johnson, Chris Banks

Eucharistic Ministers: Sat 29 6.30pm (C) Louise Barr, Carmen Bennett, Bernadette Collins

Sun 30 8.30am (C) Akin Amusu, Christina Morris, Paul BennettSun 30 10.00am (C) Carlton Rose, David Sole, Janina Kalinowska

Flowers: Sat 29 (Take down flowers) Denise Williams

Counters: Sun 30 Louise Barr and Ellen O'Hare

Tea & Coffee: Sun 30 Paddy/Catherine

Bulletin: Fri 28 Ruth, Church Office

DONA CARD READER

Remember to use our contactless card reader for all your donations. Donations can also be made by scanning the QR code so you could donate from home when you are having a cup of coffee or tea and reading through the bulletin! With grateful thanks.



SAFEGUARDING WEEKLY NOTICE

"The Parish operates in accordance with Statutory Safeguarding Guidance and the National and Archdiocese's policies & procedures at all times. **Our Parish Safeguarding Representative is Helen Holt-Davies.** She can be contacted at: sg.olash.witney@rcaob.org.uk or alternatively the Diocesan Safeguarding team can be contacted on 0121 230 6240/safeguarding@rcaob.org.uk if you have any concerns."

OUR BULLETIN DEADLINE

The deadline for notices to be included in the weekly bulletin is **Tuesday evening** at the latest All notices should be sent by **email** to: **olash.witney@rcaob.org.uk** or given to Father Pat.

PLEASE TAKE THIS BULLETIN HOME WITH YOU

The Parish is part of the Archdiocese of Birmingham, Reg. Charity No: 234216

Entrance Antiphon Rv 5: 12; 1:6
How worth is the Lamb who was slain,
to receive power and divinity,
and wisdom and strength and honour.
To him belong glory and power for ever and
ever.

First reading 2 Samuel 5:1-3

Responsorial Psalm Ps 122 (121):1-2. 4-5. (R) cf.1

- (R) Let us go rejoicing to the house of the Lord.
- 1. I rejoiced when they said to me, 'Let us go to the house of the Lord.' And now our feet are standing within your gates, O Jerusalem.
- 2. It is there that the tribes go up, the tribes of the Lord.
 As it is decreed for Israel, to give thanks to the name of the Lord.
 There were set the thrones for judgement, the thrones of the house of David.
 Let us go rejoicing to the house of the Lord.

Second reading Colossians 1:12-20

Gospel Acclamation Mark 11:9, 10

Alleluia, alleluia.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord! Blessed is the coming kingdom of our father David!

Alleluia.

Gospel Reading Luke 23:35-43

Communion Antiphon Ps 28: 10-11
The Lord sits as King for ever.
The Lord will bless his people with peace.

There will be a 2nd collection this weekend 22/23 November for the Catholic Youth Service

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SUNDAY 23rd-30th NOVEMBER 2025

SOLEMNITY OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE: YR.C

- Sat 22 Memorial of St. Cecilia, Virgin, Martyr EXPOSITION from 10am-11.00am MASS 6.30pm (People of the Parish)
- Sun 23 MASS 8.30am (Mary Grassby R.I.P.) MASS 10.00am (Sheila Harris B.I.)
- Mon 24 Memorial of St. Andrew Dung-Lac, Priest, Companions, Martyrs EUCHARISTIC SERVICE 9.30am ROSARY PRAYER GROUP 10.00am
- **Tue 25** MASS 6.30pm (People of the Parish)
- Wed 26 NO MASS OR EUCHARISTIC SERVICE
- Thu 27 MASS 6.00pm (People of the Parish)
 ROSARY PRAYER GROUP 6.30pm
- Fri 28 MASS 9.30am (Celebrant's Intention)
- Sat 29 Memorial of St. Cecilia, Virgin, Martyr EXPOSITION from 10am-11.00am MASS 6.30pm (Jane Parkinson R.I.P.)
- Sun 30 FIRST SUNDAY IN ADVENT
 MASS 8.30am (Linda Domingue R.I.P.)
 MASS 10.00am (Remembrance of All
 Souls listed in the Memorial Book.
 May they Rest in Peace)

CONFESSIONS & APPOINTMENTS

Confessions are on Saturdays at 10.30am-11am & 5.30pm-6pm If you would like to see Fr Pat for

Confession or any other reason, please do not

hesitate to make an appointment either by phone or e



GOSPEL REFLECTION – CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE

In today's Gospel the very fact that Jesus did not try to save himself is what the Jewish leaders wanted Him to do shows He is the one with the real power. He refused to conform to their expectations what real power means. He refused their demands not out of fear or anger but simply because He chose not to. That is real

power. In spite of all His suffering He was still free.

Perhaps, that is what the repentant thief sensed which made him realise that the only person who was actually in charge of what was happening was Jesus. This enabled him to believe Jesus' claim that he was truly a King. It seems to me that real power is following God's will no matter what other people or our own feelings might tell us. That it what real freedom is. God Bless. Fr Pat



POPE LEO'S PRAYER INTENTION FOR NOVEMBER

For the prevention of suicide.

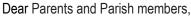
Let us pray that those who are tempted to commit suicide may find the support, care and love they need in their community, and be pen to the beauty of life



BLESSING OF THE GRAVES

The Blessing of the Graves for **Windrush Cemetery** will be on **Sunday 23**rd **November** at 3pm. Please go directly to the Windrush Cemetery *May they Rest in Peace.*

PLEASE HELP GROW OUR CHILDREN'S FAITH





No experience or preparation required just a willing heart and a little of

your time. All materials are prepared for you, including a short gospel reading and colouring sheets.

Plenty of support will be provided. If you can help, **please contact Father Pat.** Thank you.



CHRISTMAS MUSIC - WILL YOU HELP THE MUSIC GROUP PLEASE?

Psalm 100 v 1 says 'Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all the earth!

Serve the Lord with gladness! Come into his presence with singing!

We, the Music Group, are asking for some more people to come and join us making a joyful noise to the Lord in singing during Mass in the Advent and

Christmas Season. We learn our hymns via YouTube which are sent round via e mail and then practise anything new at 9.30am before Mass. We may have a rehearsal nearer to Christmas. You don't need to feel that you're not a brilliant singer. God seems to organise things in such a way that voices together do make a joyful noise. If you would like to chat things over come and see us following Mass.



ADVANCE NOTICE - CHRISTMAS CELEBRATION GET-TOGETHER

Following on from last year's wonderful Christmas Get-together, we will be Celebrating Christmas with our Get-together on December 21st at 6pm in the Parish Room. This year we will be asking you, from next week, to fill in a 'my 5 favourite carols' festive form, and to post it in the post

box in the porch, by the end of 10am Mass on the 21st December. Then in the evening we will discover which carols we, as a Parish, like to sing. We had such a wonderful time last year and of course we will hopefully bribe you to come with the promise of mince pies and various dinks.



THE DECEMBER CHRISTMAS LUNCH CLUB - MOVED DATE

Please join us for our next Lunch Club, to be held in the Parish Room on <u>Tuesday</u>, <u>9th December from 12.30 to 2.00pm</u>. It's a great opportunity to chat with friends and make new ones over a two course meal, followed by tea or coffee, and all still at a cost of only £5. Please phone Rachel Crouch on 07811 212297 to book your place.

Everyone is welcome!



REFRESHMENTS AFTER 10AM MASS. HELP URGENTLY NEEDED

We urgently need volunteers to help with Tea and Coffee after 10am Mass.

Please consider joining us. **Any help would be gratefully accepted.** It's fun and a great way to get to know people. Please contact the church office and we'll be in touch



THE 200 CLUB

The next draw will be held on 30th November.