



Our Lady Immaculate Catholic Church

17 November 2019

THIRTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (Year C)

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School: Our Lady Immaculate Catholic Primary School + **Headteacher:** Mrs. Frances Robertson

MASS INTENTIONS AND PRAYERS		
THIRTY-THIRD SUNDAY OF THE YEAR		
16 Sat Vigil	18.30	Ronald Summers – RIP (<i>H & P Summers</i>)
17 Sun World Day of the Poor	9.00	John Hawes & Conor Carter – RIP (<i>M. Wilson</i>)
	11.00	Jan Leightley – WB (<i>M. C. Taylor</i>)
	12.30	Baptism: <i>Oisin Linnane</i>
	18.00	<i>Pro Populo</i>
WEEKDAY MASSES		
EUCCHARISTIC EXPOSITION: Monday – Friday at 8.30am		
18 Mon <i>Feria</i>	9.30	Frances Powell – RIP (<i>R. Lee & Family</i>)
19 Tues <i>Feria</i>	9.30	Sr. Philomena Thannikot – RIP (<i>J. Simon</i>)
	19.00	Dec'd Members of the UCM
20 Wed <i>Feria</i>	9.30	C.O. Joseph – RIP (<i>J. Simon</i>)
	19.00	Maureen Naughton (<i>J. Brooks</i>)
21 Thurs <i>The Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary</i>	7.00	<i>Holy Souls</i>
	9.30	Alexius Yap – RIP (<i>C. Yap</i>)
22 Fri <i>St. Cecilia</i>	7.00	<i>Holy Souls</i>
	9.30	Stefan Ciesla – RIP (<i>T. MacLeod</i>)
23 Sat <i>Feria</i>	9.00	Dec'd Bros of the Knights of St. Columba – Sp. Dedication to Bro Pat Parker – RIP
THIRTY- FOURTH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR		
23 Sat Vigil	18.30	Thanksgiving for members & work of SVP & YSVP at OLI
24 Sun <i>Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe</i>	9.00	Elsie Fowler & Hilda Budd (<i>R. Howe</i>)
	11.00	Michael Simmonds – RIP (<i>M. Simmonds</i>)
	18.00	Joseph Edet – RIP (<i>IE</i>)
OTHER SERVICES		
Sacrament of Reconciliation	Saturday: 9.30-10am & 5.30-6.15pm	
St Anthony of Padua	Tuesday: after AM & PM Masses	
Our Lady of Perpetual Help	Wednesday: after PM Mass	
Our Lady of Fatima	1st Saturday of the month	

THE HOPE OF THE POOR SHALL NOT PERISH FOR EVER	
Pope Francis' Message on the World Day of the Poor 2019	
<p>Scripture constantly speaks of God acting on behalf of the poor. He is the one who "hears" their cry and "comes to their aid"; he "protects" and "defends" them; he "rescues" and "saves" them... Indeed, the poor will never find God indifferent or silent in the face of their plea. God is the one who renders justice and does not forget (cf. Ps 40:18; 70:6); he is their refuge and he never fails to come to their assistance (cf. Ps 10:14).</p> <p>We can build any number of walls and close our doors in the vain effort to feel secure in our wealth, at the expense of those left outside. It will not be that way for ever. The "day of the Lord", as described by the prophets (cf. Am 5:18; Is 2-5; Jl 1-3), will destroy the barriers created between nations and replace the arrogance of the few with the solidarity of many. The marginalization painfully experienced by millions of persons cannot go on for long. Their cry is growing louder and embraces the entire earth. In the words of Father Primo Mazzolari: "the poor are a constant protest against our injustices; the poor are a powder keg. If it is set on fire, the world will explode".</p> <p>We can never elude the urgent appeal that Scripture makes on behalf of the poor. Wherever we look, the word of God points to the poor, those who lack the necessities of life because they depend on others. They are the oppressed, the lowly and the downcast. Yet, faced with countless throngs of the poor, Jesus was not afraid to identify with each of them: "Whatever you did to one of the least of these my brethren, you did to me" (Mt 25:40). If we refuse to make this identification, we falsify the Gospel and water down God's revelation. The God that Jesus came to reveal is a Father who is generous, merciful, unfailing in his goodness and grace. He gives hope especially to those who are disillusioned and lacking in hope for the future.</p> <p>How can we fail to note that the Beatitudes with which Jesus began his preaching of the kingdom of God open with the words: "Blessed are you who are poor" (Lk 6:20)? The meaning of this paradoxical message is that the kingdom of God belongs to the poor because they are in a position to receive it. How many poor people do we encounter each day! It seems that the passage of time and the advances of civilization increase their numbers rather than diminishing them. Centuries go by and the Beatitude appears even more paradoxical: the poor are always poorer, and today they are poorer than ever. Yet Jesus who inaugurated his kingdom by placing the poor at the centre, wanted to tell us precisely this: he inaugurated the kingdom, but he has entrusted to us, his disciples, the task of carrying it forward with responsibility for giving hope to the poor. Especially at times like our own, there is a need to revive hope and to restore confidence. This responsibility is not something that the Christian community may underestimate. The credibility of our proclamation and the witness of Christians depends on it.</p> <p>In closeness to the poor, the Church comes to realize that she is one people, spread throughout many nations and called to ensure that no one feels a stranger or outcast, for she includes everyone in a shared journey of salvation. The situation of the poor obliges us not to keep our distance from the body of the Lord, who suffers in them. Instead, we are called to touch his flesh and to be personally committed in offering a service that is an authentic form of evangelization. Commitment to the promotion of the poor, including their social promotion, is not foreign to the proclamation of the Gospel. On the contrary, it manifests the realism of Christian faith and its historical validity....</p> <p>If the disciples of the Lord Jesus wish to be genuine evangelizers, they must sow tangible seeds of hope. I ask all Christian communities, and all those who feel impelled to offer hope and consolation to the poor, to help ensure that this World Day of the Poor will encourage more and more people to cooperate effectively so that no one will feel deprived of closeness and solidarity. May you always treasure the words of the prophet who proclaims a different future: "For you who revere my name, the sun of righteousness shall rise, with healing in its wings" (Mal 3:20 [4:2]). *Full text at www.vatican.va/content/francesco/en/messages.</p>	
NEXT SUNDAY'S READINGS	
1ST READING	Second Samuel 5: 1-3
2ND READING	Colossians 1: 12-20
GOSPEL	Luke 23: 35-43

PRAYERS REMEMBRANCE		PARISH NEWS AND EVENTS	
	Please remember in your prayers all those who have recently died Carmela Arbia, Antionette Staunton, Tony Chesney, Derrick Butt, Stafen Ciesla, Shelia Anderson, Bernard Furlong, Archbishop Michael Bowen, Father Tom Craig-Fuller, Sally Sheridan Loughrey, Frances Powell, Eileen Pearce and those whose anniversaries are remembered at this time; and all those who mourn the loss of loved ones. May they rest in peace. Amen	SECOND COLLECTION NEXT WEEKEND for the Catholic Youth Fund. This collection helps to support Youth Work in the Diocese and beyond especially the Southwark Catholic Youth Service.	
	Please remember and pray for the sick, the housebound and all who care for them, especially those within our own parish community: Vanessa Andrew, Martin Dray, Anthony Durkin, Sue Ewen, Pauline Ferrara, Ann Groves, Thomas Haley, Heather & George Trutwein, Yvonne Norman, Esme Mills, Sharon Kelly, Nan Healy, Mary Ryan, Betty Harte, Michael Emmett, Frances Sullivan, Michael Pearson, Antonio Ciaiola, Joan McGovern, Rita Reginald, Angelica D'Agostino Jan Leightley, Elizabeth Saunders, Marie Turpenney. Thomas O'Connor & Jimmy Simon	PARISH FEAST DAY: 8 DECEMBER To mark the feast of the Immaculate Conception, there will be a parish celebration in the Catholic Hall after the 11am Mass on 8 December . All are welcome to bring something to share. NOVEMBER LIST BOX is available in the narthex. Please place names of departed loved ones in it for prayers & Masses.	
WEEKLY COLLECTION		 The Parish Lenten Project has been running successfully for 48 years. The aim of the Project is to give the parish a charitable focal point during Lent and give everyone (all groups, clubs and societies) in the parish the opportunity to take part in fundraising for projects in the developing world. The Lenten Project AGM will be held on Sunday 24th November 2019 at 7.15pm in the Old Chapel. At that meeting we will select the charities which we will be supporting during Lent 2020. We are now actively seeking parishioners to nominate suitable charities. If you have a charity you would like the parish to support in Lent during 2020 then please complete the charity nomination form which can be found at: http://www.olionline.co.uk/community/lenten-project/ You can also find blank copies of the form at the back of Church or obtain one from the Parish Office. The deadline for forms will be advertised in the newsletter. Once you have completed the form please either email it to tolworth@rcaos.org.uk or place it through the Presbytery letter box. If you would like any more information, please contact Phil Townsend on 8399 3481 or via Townsend4@blueyonder.co.uk .	
	LAST WEEKEND Cash: £954.31 Gift-aid: £776.78 Total: £1,731.09 <i>Thank you for your generosity to your parish.</i>	You can also find blank copies of the form at the back of Church or obtain one from the Parish Office. The deadline for forms will be advertised in the newsletter. Once you have completed the form please either email it to tolworth@rcaos.org.uk or place it through the Presbytery letter box. If you would like any more information, please contact Phil Townsend on 8399 3481 or via Townsend4@blueyonder.co.uk .	
INFANT BAPTISM		GIFT-AID DONORS Please note that the Gift Aid envelopes <u>issued by the parish</u> can be used for second collections only when the collection is for a cause sponsored by the Diocese. These have the name of the cause pre-printed at the top. The Diocese is unable to claim back tax on donations to other charities.	
	Please contact the Parish Office for information pack & to register for the pre-baptism course. Next course: Courses will resume in 2020 <i>Please look out for Baptismal Course Dates for 2020 in future Newsletters.</i>	UCM NEWS – Mass on 19 November at 7pm for Deceased Members of the UCM, which will include an Enrolment Ceremony for Debbie & Philippina. The Diocesan President & Secretary will also attend, followed by a presentation to Rosemary Butcher for 30yrs membership.	
FIRST HOLY COMMUNION		PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL MEETING Parish Pastoral Council (PPC) will hold its next meeting on 1 December 7.00pm for 7.15pm start in the Old Chapel.	
	1. Next Children's Session: Saturday, 23 November, 10.30-11.30am 2. Next Parents' Session: Monday, 18 November at 7.30pm in the Catholic Hall.	OLI SCHOOL FOUNDATION GOVERNOR RECRUITMENT The Governing Body of Our Lady Immaculate Primary School are looking for new members. Working in partnership with the school to ensure that our children achieve the very best education. We are looking to recruit a new Foundation Governor; If you can spare five to ten hours each term to support the Governors and Headteacher please email Rachel Reid (Clerk to the Governing Body) on governors@oli.rbksch.org to find out more information. Please respond by Friday 22 November.	
SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION 2020		K.C.A.H. (Kingston Churches for Action on Homelessness) If you would like to get involved/volunteer to help local homeless people, there will be a training session on 16th November ('The Haven' will be re-opening on Monday 4th Nov) contact Sophie at - winternightshelter@kcah.org.uk	
	Parents Meeting: Tuesday 19 November or Monday 25 November at 7.30pm in the Catholic Hall	MASS FOR HEALING There will be Mass for healing with praise and worship at 7.45pm on Monday 25th November at St Joseph's Church, 1 Montem Road New Malden KT3 3QW. All are welcome.	
MORNING PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH 9.00AM – MONDAY TO FRIDAY		VOCATIONS WEEKEND FOR YOUNG WOMEN Theme: Discernment and Vocation, Date: 29 Nov - 1 Dec 2019, Location: Liverpool. The weekend is organised by the sisters, Faithful Companions of Jesus (FCJ). There is nothing quite like religious life – it's an extraordinary adventure into a deep relationship with God. If you are wondering if God is calling you to religious life and would like to find out more why not come along? You are welcome to stay for the weekend or just come along on Saturday for the day. There will be opportunity for prayer, reflection and input, chance to ask questions and to meet others who are also wondering where God is calling them. For more information contact Sr Lynne FCJ at lynnefcj@hotmail.com or visit our website www.fcjsisters.org	
	Please join us every morning at 9.00am, from Monday to Friday, to pray the Morning Prayer of the Church, from the Divine Office, during the daily Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and Benediction before Mass.		
† EILEEN PEARCE – RIP			
Please pray for the repose of the soul of Eileen Pearce (Aged 93). Her funeral will take place on 19 November at 11.30am at St. Raphael's Church. Parking is available at the TA Centre – next door but one to the Church. May she rest in peace. Amen!			