



27 OCTOBER 2024

# THIRTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME – B

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**School:** Our Lady Immaculate Catholic Primary School □ **Headteacher:** Mr Ben Martin



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**Our Lady Immaculate RC Church, Tolworth**

## ‘What do you want me to do for you?’ “‘Rabbi, I want to see.’”

Bartimaeus’ physical blindness reminds us of the total blindness of the world where people that cannot see the power of God in their lives and the world around them. Ironically, it was only the physically blind Bartimaeus that could see Jesus and throw himself at his feet. The crowd tried to discourage and intimidate him because they cannot see Jesus as the God that he is. Imagine the persistent shout of the crowd; still, Bartimaeus was determined to see God. Don’t let anyone hold you back; your worth is not tied to their opinion. The purpose of your creation is not fulfilled through them. Often, we miss the opportunity to be healed and helped by God because we give in to discouragements and negative feedback from others. Also, we seek help everywhere, but not from God because we cannot see the power of God. Many see only gloom and doom; they see only problems but they don’t see the God of hope that is the solution to their problems. They do not see the light that towers over their darkness and depression. Many cannot see the beauty of the Saviour and the wonderful things that God is doing. When they manage to come to the Church, they cannot see the point of it all. Many do not see the good in others. Many cannot see the suffering of those around them and the need to encourage others. They have desensitised themselves to the pains and suffering of others. A person that sees as God will never behave in these ways. They will see the glory of God and they will see the image of God in whoever they meet, and in every occasion. They will not talk about or treat people badly because they can see God in them. Remember that it is only when we can see God and see like God that we can be healed. To see intensely is to love intensely like God.

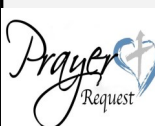
**Fr. Michael.**

### MASS TIMES & INTENTIONS: 27 OCTOBER 2024 — 03 NOVEMBER 2024

*(FEASTS: 28TH Ss SIMON & JUDE, APOSTLES, 1ST NOV - ALL SAINTS, SOLEMNITY, HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION, 2ND ALL SOULS)*

<b>Sat 26</b>	<b>18.30:</b> Peter & Joseph Campbell - RIP ( <i>M Campbell</i> ), Seujan Kajaruban (TG on 17th Birthday)	
<b>Sun 27</b>	<b>09.00:</b> Robert McInnery - RIP ( <i>P Mitchell</i> )	
	<b>11.00:</b> Frances Powell - RIP ( <i>FM</i> )	<b>18.00:</b> People of the Parish
<b>Mon 28</b>	<b>09.30:</b> Maria Sebastian - Ints	
<b>Tues 29</b>	<b>09.30:</b> Tett Family - Ints	<b>19.00:</b> Joseph Antonisamy - RIP
<b>Wed 30</b>	<b>09.30:</b> Maria Simmonds - Ints ( <i>K Jankowski</i> )	<b>19.00:</b> Sivagananam Raja (RIP).
<b>Thurs 31</b>	<b>07.00:</b> Regina Sellammah (RIP)	<b>09.30:</b> Nancy & Noel Ryan - RIP ( <i>M Tett</i> )
	<b>19.00:</b> Parish Priest’s Induction Mass	
<b>Fri 01</b>	<b>07.00:</b> Sundralingam Paththinather (RIP)	<b>09.30:</b> Nallapillai (RIP)
	<b>19.00:</b> Deceased family members of Parishioners	
<b>Sat 02</b>	<b>09.00:</b> Antonisamy, Jebmalai & Janaki - RIP	
<b>Sat 02</b>	<b>18.30:</b> Murukeshu Soosaitas (RIP)	
<b>Sun 03</b>	<b>09.00:</b> People of the Parish	<b>11.00:</b>
		<b>18.00:</b> Alexius Yap - RIP ( <i>Yap</i> )

<b>EUCCHARISTIC EXPOSITION:</b>	<b>MONDAY – FRIDAY: 8AM</b>
<b>MORNING PRAYER (LAUDS):</b>	<b>MONDAY – FRIDAY: 9AM</b>
<b>SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION:</b>	<b>SATURDAY: - 9.30-10am &amp; 5.30-6.00pm</b>
<b>YOUTH MASS:</b>	<b>LAST SUNDAY: - 6pm Mass</b>
<b>ST ANTHONY OF PADUA NOVENA:</b>	<b>TUESDAY: - After morning and evening Masses</b>
<b>OUR LADY OF PERPETUAL HELP NOVENA:</b>	<b>WEDNESDAY: - After morning and evening Masses</b>
<b>OUR LADY OF FATIMA DEVOTION:</b>	<b>FIRST SATURDAY - of the month, after morning Mass</b>
<b>SYRO-MALABAR VIGIL</b>	<b>FIRST FRIDAY - of the month</b>

 **REMEMBRANCE:** Please remember in your prayers all who have recently died especially Elvira Amato and those whose anniversaries occur at this time. May their souls rest in peace. Amen

**THE SICK:** Vanessa Andrew, Martin Dray, Pauline Ferrara, Thomas Haley, George Trutwein, Frances Cox, Mary Ryan, Rita Reginald, Thomas O’Connor, Jimmy Simon, Sarah Mills, Samar Staussi, Annita Smith, Shirlene A., Kathleen McGuinness, Kathleen O’Connell, Claire Pender, Hazel D’Aguiar, Elizabeth Jones, Ray Lewry, Wendy Cook, Tony Cook, Nivetheni Robert, Baby Freddie Page, Clare & Baby Polly, Gerry Hague, Maureen Stephens, Maureen Sellwood, Mavis Fisher, Andy Moolman, Ian Beard, Qiaochen Shi, Ida Rebello, Ravenna Ahmed, Jesse Osborne, Vinitha Sherin, Jisha Nelson, Ralph Smallwood, Adam Martin, Mark Draper, Tim & Janice Ryan, David Knights, Lionel Holland, Gerry Taylor, Angela Bailey, Allan Cook, Colin Stevens and Joan Frost.

# TODAY'S READINGS

## Entrance Antiphon

Cf. Ps 104: 3-4

Let the hearts that seek the Lord rejoice;  
turn to the Lord and his strength;  
constantly seek his face.

**Penitential Act:** I confess to almighty God and to you, my brothers and sisters, that I have greatly sinned, in my thoughts and in my words, in what I have done and in what I have failed to do, (*And, striking their breast, they say:*) through my fault, through my fault, through my most grievous fault; therefore I ask blessed Mary ever-Virgin, all the Angels and Saints, and you, my brothers and sisters, to pray for me to the Lord our God. **Amen.**

**The Gloria:** Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace to people of good will. We praise you, we bless you, we adore you, we glorify you, we give you thanks for your great glory, Lord God, heavenly King, O God, almighty Father. Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son, Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us; you take away the sins of the world, receive our prayer; you are seated at the right hand of the Father, have mercy on us. For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. **Amen.**

## Opening Prayer:

Almighty ever-living God, increase our faith, hope and charity, and make us love what you command, so that we may merit what you promise. 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. **Amen**

## First reading.

Jeremiah 31:7-9

The Lord says this: Shout with joy for Jacob! Hail the chief of nations! Proclaim! Praise! Shout: 'The Lord has saved his people, the remnant of Israel!' See, I will bring them back from the land of the North and gather them from the far ends of earth; all of them: the blind and the lame, women with child, women in labour: a great company returning here. They had left in tears, I will comfort them as I lead them back; I will guide them to streams of water, by a smooth path where they will not stumble. For I am a father to Israel, and Ephraim is my first-born son.

**Reader: The word of the Lord.**

**All: Thanks be to God**

## Responsorial Psalm:

Psalm 125(126)

*What marvels the Lord worked for us!  
Indeed we were glad.*

When the Lord delivered Zion from bondage,  
it seemed like a dream.

Then was our mouth filled with laughter,  
on our lips there were songs. **R**

The heathens themselves said: 'What marvels  
the Lord worked for them!'

What marvels the Lord worked for us!  
Indeed we were glad. **R**

Deliver us, O Lord, from our bondage  
as streams in dry land.

Those who are sowing in tears  
will sing when they reap. **R**

They go out, they go out, full of tears,  
carrying seed for the sowing:  
they come back, they come back, full of song,  
carrying their sheaves. **R**

## Second reading

Hebrews 5:1-6

Every high priest has been taken out of mankind and is appointed to act for men in their relations with God, to offer gifts and sacrifices for sins; and so he can sympathise with those who are ignorant or uncertain because he too lives in the limitations of weakness. That is why he has to make sin offerings for himself as well as for the people. No one takes this honour on himself, but each one is called by God, as Aaron was. Nor did Christ give himself the glory of becoming high priest, but he had it from the one who said to him: *You are my son, today I have become your father*, and in another text: *You are a priest of the order of Melchizedek, and for ever.*

**Reader: The word of the Lord.**

**All: Thanks be to God**

## Gospel Acclamation

Jn8:12

Alleluia, alleluia! I am the light of the world, says the Lord; anyone who follows me will have the light of life. Alleluia!

## Gospel

Mark 10:46-52

As Jesus left Jericho with his disciples and a large crowd, Bartimaeus (that is, the son of Timaeus), a blind beggar, was sitting at the side of the road. When he heard that it was Jesus of Nazareth, he began to shout and to say, 'Son of David, Jesus, have pity on me.' And many of them scolded him and told him to keep quiet, but he only shouted all the louder, 'Son of David, have pity on me.' Jesus stopped and said, 'Call him here.' So they called the blind man. 'Courage,' they said 'get up; he is calling you.' So throwing off his cloak, he jumped up and went to Jesus. Then Jesus spoke, 'What do you want me to do for you?' 'Rabbuni,' the blind man said to him 'Master, let me see again.' Jesus said to him, 'Go; your faith has saved you.' And immediately his sight returned and he followed him along the road.

**Priest: The Gospel of the Lord.**

**All: Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ.**

## THE NICENE CREED:

I believe in one God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible. I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ, the Only Begotten Son of God, born of the Father before all ages. God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God,

begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father; through him all things were made. *(At the words that follow, up to and including 'and became man', all bow)* For us men and for our salvation he came down from heaven, and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary and became man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate, he suffered death and was buried, and rose again on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead and his kingdom will have no end. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church. I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. **Amen.**

#### **Prayer over the Offerings:**

Look, we pray, O Lord, on the offerings we make to your majesty, that whatever is done by us in your service may be directed above all to your glory. Through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

#### **Communion Antiphon**

**Cf. Ps 19: 6**

We will ring out our joy at your saving help and exult in the name of our God.

#### **Prayer after Communion**

May your Sacraments, O Lord, we pray, perfect in us what lies within them, that what we now celebrate in signs we may one day possess in truth. Through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

## **NEW ANNOUNCEMENTS**

### **CALL FOR VOLUNTEERS: PARISH PRIEST INDUCTION MASS**

We are seeking volunteers to assist in the following areas: **Parking Guides:** Help guide attendees to designated parking areas. **Food Donations:** We would appreciate contributions of food and snacks for our participants. If you are able to bring something, please let us know. **Serving Food:** We need volunteers to assist in serving food and refreshments during the event. **Cleaning:** After the event, we will need help with cleaning up the venue and making sure everything is left in good condition. If you are willing to help in any of these areas, please sign up at Narthex or contact Mary Antonisamy ([mary.antonisamy@yahoo.com](mailto:mary.antonisamy@yahoo.com)). Your support is greatly appreciated as we come together to make this a memorable and successful event.

### **ALL SAINTS' DAY IS ONE OF THE HOLY DAYS OF OBLIGATION IN THE CATHOLIC CHURCH:**

Mass attendance is expected on November 1 for all who are able. There will be an extra evening Mass at 7pm.

**A BIG THANK YOU TO PHILIP TOWNSEND** for his 14 years service to the poor in The Parish Lenten Project. May God bless and reward him abundantly.

**CONGRATULATIONS TO JOSEPH KIBRANGO** for accepting to lead the Lenten Project. May God bless you with his love for the community and the poor.

**OLI YOUTH MINISTRY: SUNDAY 27TH OCTOBER, 4.15 -5.30 PM:** We are excited to invite all young people, Year 7 to the age of 19, to our next Youth Ministry Event in the Parish Hall. There will be games, snacks and, possibly some singing as well so that young people can experience their faith in good company. Following this event there will be the monthly Youth Mass at 6 pm. Please note, going forward we will require a signed consent form, for young people under the age of 18, to attend. Consent forms will be available at the back of the church, completed forms can be dropped off in the presbytery or brought to the event.

### **CHILDREN'S LITURGY - HALF TERM**

Children's Liturgy is now on a Half Term break. We look forward to welcoming back your children at the 9 o'clock Mass on Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> November.

**NOVEMBER DEAD LIST:** Holy Souls' envelopes are now available in the Narthex; please collect an envelope and fill in the names of your departed family members and friends. The collection box for envelopes will be available from next weekend. If you would like to make an offering towards ongoing Masses for the Holy Souls, kindly indicate the enclosed sum on the envelope. Thank you. **NB: Please use the regular Mass intention envelopes if you want to request a Mass for a particular person.**

### **RED MISSIO BOXES**

Please bring the contents of your Red *Missio* Boxes to the church during the month of November, so that the money can be counted and sent to *Missio*, where it is very much needed. Any queries, please contact Mary C Taylor Tel: 07985 659266 Many thanks for your continuing generosity.

## **INFO & REMINDERS**

**HOLY COMMUNION RECEPTION.** Everyone is required to consume the Holy Eucharist in front of the Priest or Minister immediately after they have received it before moving away. **Do not** take it to your seat to consume. Thank you.

**EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS MEETING:** The next meeting will be Monday 28th October, Old Chapel at 7.30pm.

**NOVEMBER IS A MONTH DEDICATED TO PRAYING FOR THE DEAD. WE WILL ERECT A MEMORIAL ALTAR IN OUR LADY'S CHAPEL WITH THE PICTURES OF YOUR DEAD LOVED ONES -** Please give the pictures to Fr. Michael or to the Parish office before the end of the month.

### **SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION 2025**

If you have a son / daughter in year 9 or above, they have made their First Holy Communion and you attend Mass regularly in OLI, they can be considered for Confirmation next year. The application is on the website. Closing date for applications is 10<sup>th</sup> November



# INFORMATION & REMINDERS

**CEMETERY VISITS: THE DETAILS FOR THE BLESSING OF GRAVES ARE:** On Sunday 3rd November 2024 at 2pm, Surbiton Cemetery, & at 3pm, Kingston Cemetery.

**SUNG VESPERS OF DIVINE OFFICE OF THE DEAD** will be held in every Sunday in November at 5pm. Come and let us pray for dead loved ones.

**MASS STEWARDS / WELCOMERS:** We need additional people to assist at Mass, and especially at the 11am Mass. This simply involves arriving 30 minutes before Mass, handing out hymn books and Mass sheets, sometimes taking the retiring collection, and tiding the hymn books after Mass. If you feel you can help by joining our rota, please email the Parish Office with your name and contact details. Thank you.

**A HUGE THANK YOU:** To the anonymous donor who donated £400 to the church. May God bless you.

**FR MICHAEL'S INDUCTION : OFFERTORY PROCESSION** Fr Michael would like member of each Parish Group to form part of the Offertory Procession. Each representative is requested to bring with them an item that represents their group. Could the leaders of each group contact Denise (tolworth@rcaos.org.uk) to confirm participation. Many thanks.

**CHRISTMAS CARDS AND REPOSITORY NEWS:** The repository is open every Sunday after the 9am Mass to sell Christmas cards, 2025 calendars and other gift items. Please consider supporting your parish by stocking from the repository. Also, Denise has offered to sell Christmas cards, £5.00 per box from the Parish Office from 10am to 2pm, Monday-Friday.

**OPPOSE ASSISTED DYING BILL:** -There have been increasing reports that the Government will support a Bill in Parliament to legalise assisted dying. In March, Archbishop John reminded us that "the Catholic Church believes and teaches that every life is valuable, regardless of one's physical or mental state or ability", which is why "we cannot approve of any form of euthanasia and assisted suicide". To find out how and for

## WEEKLY COLLECTIONS

### LAST WEEKEND

Gift-aid: £343.07

Non-Gift-aid: £748.27

Total: £1,091.34

2nd Collection: £151.71

### TOTAL COLLECTION FOR SEPTEMBER 2024

Cash / cheques – £5,928.55

1. Gift-Aided – £4,217.97

2. Non-G/A – £1,710.58

B. Standing Orders / Bank Transfers – £2,494.00

1. Gift-Aided – £2,294.00

2. Non-G/A – £200.00

C. Contactless Machine – £1,213.38

Total = £9,635.93 (Last month: £7,856.67)

Thank you for your generosity to your parish.

Please make **cheques** payable to: RCAS Tolworth

Kindly consider making your regular contribution to the Church via standing order (form available at [olionline.co.uk](http://olionline.co.uk)), or by online banking:

RCAS Our Lady Immaculate Church, Account Number: 06467032; Sort Code: 60-21-05.

more information visit: <https://www.rcsouthwark.co.uk/news-events/news/how-to-oppose-the-assisted-dying-bill/>

### OUR LADY IMMACULATE SCHOOL

Our Lady Immaculate Catholic Primary School would like to extend a warm welcome to anyone in the Parish and beyond for the upcoming Open Mornings/ Evenings. The Open Mornings/Evening are happening on Tuesday 5th November – @ 6-7pm and Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> November @ 9-10am. We look forward to welcoming you and sharing all the amazing aspects of OLI School.

### OBITUARIES:

**ELVIRA AMATO:** Please pray for Elvira Amato who passed away on 28th Sept aged 101yrs.

**Funeral:** OLI, Thursday 14th November at 12.00pm

A frugal Irish Catholic walked into the house panting and almost completely exhausted. "What happened, honey?" inquired his wife. "It's a great new idea I have to be a better steward of our resources," he gasped. "I ran all the way home from the stewardship committee meeting behind the bus and saved £1.50. "That wasn't very bright," replied his flustered wife. "Why didn't you run behind a taxi and save £10?"

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