



10 NOVEMBER 2024

# THIRTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME – B

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



**Spiritans**

**Our Lady Immaculate RC Church, Tolworth**

## Every giving is an act of faith, trust and worship.

A little boy was given two coins by his father, one coin for a church offering and another for ice-cream. As he ran to buy the ice-cream, he dropped one of the coins. After several minutes of searching in vain for the coin, the boy was in a dilemma – to buy the ice-cream or give an offering! He finally said, “God, I am sorry, you see everything, take your own coin wherever it is, I am off to use my own coin for my ice cream.” In today’s Gospel, the story of the widow’s mite contains only four verses but it teaches us a lot. Though her name is not known, her giving is known and recorded. This is because, even though she had nothing, she gave as much as she could; her giving was sacrificial. She gave all she had, kept nothing for herself and surrendered her all to God. Her giving put her at great risk of destitution because she now had nothing, except God. Her giving was not a display of naivety and neither is she being exploited, for every giving reflects our trust and faith in God. In her faith, she knew that God would look after her and her future. Also, she is not looking at what she had, but what God has. She recognised that God is the provider of everything we have, and only in him, abundance is guaranteed. Again, her giving was an act of trust, her total trust was in God rather than money. She realised that money, power and possessions can guarantee little for you, unlike the rich and the powerful that trust in what they have. Hence, giving is not about how much we part with, but how much we are willing to trust God with what remains. Finally, her giving is an act of worship, a declaration that God is worthy of our everything. In giving her all, the widow proclaimed publicly her allegiance to God above all else. May our giving increase our faith, trust and worship. **Fr. Michael**

### MASS TIMES & INTENTIONS: 10 NOVEMBER 2024 — 17 NOVEMBER 2024

*(MEMORIALS: 11TH ST MARTIN OF TOURS & 12TH ST JOSAPHAT)*

<b>Sat 09</b>	<b>18.30:</b> David Horn - RIP ( <i>Houston Family</i> )	
<b>Sun 10</b>	<b>09.00:</b> Ray Lewry - RIP ( <i>M Tett</i> )	
	<b>11.00:</b> Dr Monuir Kabbin - RIP	<b>18.00:</b> Anastasia, Cletus, Sabina & Chinedu Ezenwammadu
<b>Mon 11</b>	<b>09.30:</b> Canon Anthony Charlton - BD	
<b>Tues 12</b>	<b>09.30:</b> Walter & Harold Hawes - RIP ( <i>FM</i> )	<b>19.00:</b> Allan Cook (WB).
<b>Wed 13</b>	<b>09.30:</b> Eva Clarke - RIP ( <i>Kidd Family</i> )	<b>19.00:</b> Adiele Nwosu (RIP)
<b>Thurs 14</b>	<b>07.00:</b> Holy Souls	<b>09.30:</b> Clarke Family - WB ( <i>Kidd Family</i> )
	<b>12.00:</b> FUNERAL - Elvira Amato	
<b>Fri 15</b>	<b>07.00:</b> Desire John Sice - RIP ( <i>FM</i> )	<b>09.30:</b> Deceased Parishioners of OLI
<b>Sat 16</b>	<b>09.00:</b> Patricia Nwoye (RIP)	
<b>Sat 16</b>	<b>18.30:</b> Veronica D’Cruz - RIP ( <i>Rodrigues Family</i> )	
<b>Sun 17</b>	<b>09.00:</b> Ray Lewry - RIP ( <i>OLI Parish</i> )	<b>11.00:</b> People of the Parish
	<b>18.00:</b> Philip McGettingan - RIP ( <i>W McGettingan &amp; Family</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 David Horn, Ray Lewry 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, 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, Lionel Holland, Gerry Taylor, Angela Bailey, Allan Cook, Colin Stevens and Joan Frost.



# TODAY'S READINGS

## Entrance Antiphon

Let my prayer come into your presence. Incline your ear to my cry for help, O Lord.

**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 and merciful God, graciously keep from us all adversity, so that, unhindered in mind and body alike, we may pursue in freedom of heart the things that are yours. 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

**1 Kings 17:10-16**

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.

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

**All: Thanks be to God**

**Cf. Ps 87: 3**

## Responsorial Psalm:

**Psalm 145(146):7-10**

***My soul, give praise to the Lord.***

It is the Lord who keeps faith for ever, who is just to those who are oppressed. It is he who gives bread to the hungry, the Lord, who sets prisoners free. **R**

It is the Lord who gives sight to the blind, who raises up those who are bowed down. It is the Lord who loves the just, the Lord, who protects the stranger. **R**

The Lord upholds the widow and orphan but thwarts the path of the wicked.

The Lord will reign for ever, Zion's God, from age to age. **R**

## Second reading

**Hebrews 9:24-28**

It is not as though Christ had entered a man-made 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. **Reader: The word of the Lord.**

**All: Thanks be to God**

## 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**

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.'

**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 with favour, we pray, O Lord, upon the sacrificial gifts offered here, that, celebrating in mystery the Passion of your Son, we may honour it with loving devotion. Through Christ our Lord. **Amen**

#### **Communion Antiphon**

**Cf. Ps 22: 1-2**

The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want. Fresh and green are the pastures where he gives me repose, near restful waters he leads me.

#### **Prayer after Communion**

Nourished by this sacred gift, O Lord, we give you thanks and beseech your mercy, that, by the pouring forth of your Spirit, the grace of integrity may endure in those your heavenly power has entered. Through Christ our Lord. **Amen**

#### **De Profundis (For our deceased loved ones).**

Out of the depths I cry to you, O Lord,  
Lord, hear my voice!

O let your ears be attentive  
to the voice of my pleading.

If you, O Lord, should mark our guilt,  
Lord, who would survive?

But with you is found forgiveness:

for this we revere you

My soul is waiting for the Lord.

I count on his word.

My soul is longing for the Lord  
more than watchman for daybreak.

Let the watchman count on daybreak  
and Israel on the Lord

Because with the Lord there is mercy  
and fullness of redemption,

Israel indeed he will redeem  
from all its iniquity.

Eternal rest grant unto them O' Lord.

And let your perpetual light shine upon them.

May they rest in peace. **Amen**

## **NEW ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**2ND COLLECTION THIS WEEKEND:** The Archbishop's Appeal is a diocesan second collection that funds key areas of ministry: **Youth & Evangelisation, Our Faith in Action (Caritas), and Clergy Care & Formation.**

#### **PARISH DEVELOPMENT FUND SECOND COLLECTION:**

A monthly second collection for the OLI Parish Development Fund (PDF) will begin in December. It is to assist the parish to save and pay for major projects and minor repairs. The maintenance and development of the parish is costing a lot of money and we are struggling financially to keep up. Thank you, as always for your generosity.

**OLI YOUTH MINISTRY:** Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> November, 4.15 - 5.30 pm. We are excited to invite all young people, Year 7 to the age of 21, to our next Youth Ministry Event in the Old Chapel. A signed consent form for young people under the age of 18 is required to attend. Consent forms are available in the Narthex

**FIRST HOLY COMMUNION PROGRAMME: The Next Children's Sessions:** 16th & 23rd November, 10.30-11.30am

## **INFORMATION & REMINDERS**

**THERE WILL BE A SPECIAL SERVICE OF SONGS** in commemoration for our beloved dead and dead parishioners on **Friday, 29<sup>th</sup> November at 6.30pm.** The names in our November lists will be called and a family member or friend will come and light a votive candle in their memory, while we pray for them.

**OLI LENTEN PROJECT 2025** – The AGM adopted the following 4 charities:

**Divya Chhaya Society, India** – it runs a hospital that provides free/subsidised palliative care in rural Gujarat, supporting underserved patients with essential medical and emotional care.

**Obinofia Community Primary School, Nigeria** – established by a Spiritan priest Fr. Bernard Herry, this school serves over 400 students but in poor conditions. It needs renovation.

**Vathiry Sacred Heart College, Karaveddy, Sri Lanka** – Sacred Heart College serves 388 impoverished children, providing essential resources, meals, and support for their education and well-being.

**Mapeera Bakateyamba Home in Uganda**, run by the Good Samaritan Sisters currently operates an elderly care program supporting over 75 individuals, including those with disabilities, through physical, emotional, and social care. Further details will be provided at the start of the Lent season about the activities of the charities and the planned fundraising events.

**NOVEMBER DEAD LIST:** Holy Souls' envelopes are available in the Narthex. If you would like to make an offering towards ongoing Masses for the Holy Souls, kindly indicate sum enclosed on the envelope. Thank you. **NB: Please use the regular Mass intention envelopes if you want to request a Mass for a particular person.**

# INFORMATION & REMINDERS

**THE DE PROFUNDIS** will be said or chanted in all our Masses during the month of November to pray for our dead. The copy is in the newsletter.

**CHRISTMAS DINNER:** OLI wishes to commence the Christmas Celebrations by inviting parishioners to an Afternoon Christmas Tea Party at the Parish Hall on **7<sup>th</sup> December, at 2pm**. If you know of anyone who may be on their own this Christmas or neighbours and friends, who would like to come and celebrate with us, please invite them all. Everyone is welcome.

Keep the date in your diary and watch out for more details in the newsletter. If you would like to help in any way, please contact Helen Emmett on 07402327177

## RED MISSIO BOXES

Please bring the contents of your Red *Missio* Boxes to the church during the month of November. Any queries, please contact Mary C Taylor Tel: 07985 659266 Many thanks for your continuing generosity.

## 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

**OLI LENTEN PROJECT 2024** - The Parish has been very generous again in supporting the Lenten Project which made a total of £14,335. Previous year was £11,533 so this is an amazing £2,800 more than last year. Thank you so much to our parishioners. The funds have been transferred to the 5 nominated charities; Cusmano Orphanage Centre in Uganda, Aidrikings Foundation in Cameroon, St Theresa's Hospital in Nigeria, Divya Chhaya Society in India and Miani Children's Home in Sri Lanka. This means that each of the 5 charities will receive £2,900.

**CHRISTMAS CARDS AND REPOSITORY NEWS:** The repository is open every Sunday after the 9am Mass to sell Christmas cards, 2025 calendars and other gift

## WEEKLY COLLECTIONS

### LAST WEEKEND

**Gift-aid:** £310.00

**Non-Gift-aid:** £744.62

**Total:** £1,054.62

### TOTAL COLLECTION FOR OCTOBER 2024

Cash / cheques – £4,724.88

1. Gift-Aided – £1,302.83

2. Non-G/A – £3,422.05

B. Standing Orders / Bank Transfers – £2,560.00

1. Gift-Aided – £2,360.00

2. Non-G/A – £200.00

C. Contactless Machine – £1,099.30

**Total = £8,384.18** (Last month: £9,635.93)

**Thank you for your generosity to your parish.**

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

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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.

## 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 Morning is on Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> November @ 9-10am. We look forward to welcoming you and sharing all the amazing aspects of OLI School.

## OBITUARIES:

**RAY LEWRY:** Please pray for Ray Lewry who passed away on 28th October aged 99 yrs.

**Funeral:** OLI, Friday 29th November at 11.30am

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

**Funeral:** OLI, Thursday 14th November at 12pm

A man was brought to Mercy Hospital, and went in for coronary surgery. The operation went well, and when he regained consciousness, he was asked by the Sister of Mercy waiting by his bed. "Mr. Smith, We do have to know how you intend to pay for your stay here. Are you covered by insurance?" "No, I'm not," the man whispered hoarsely. "Can you pay in cash?" "I'm afraid I can't, Sister." "Do you have any close relatives, then?" "Just my sister in New Mexico," he replied, "but she's a spinster nun." "Nuns are not spinsters, Mr. Smith," the nun replied. "They are married to God." "That's right..." the man said with a smile, "So bill my Brother-in-law."

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