



THIRTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - C

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Find Safety in the Creator of Stones rather than in Stones.

Life can be full of delusions. In these delusions, safety, security and God's presence are equated to the massive gleaming "stones" of people, places, beliefs, institutions and dreams, that we think structure, give meaning and provide security and stability to life. We tend to think that something so beautiful and impressive must be secure and permanent. By this, witnessing becomes about the stability of stones rather than about the Creator of stone. However, Jesus punctures our delusion and relocates safety and security to himself. The impressiveness and beauty of things should always draw us to God rather than things. It is God that is impressive, secure and beautiful. All other things are just shadows of him. By this, Jesus calls for faithful trust in him rather than on buildings that will certainly fall. He reminds us that life is not about securing control but securing ourselves in God. Hence, life consists not in control and fear but discipleship. For in God, we are no longer passive victims of life but active actors of faith, hope and love. Instabilities and suffering become opportunities to testify, and not rationales to despair and lose hope. In this, ultimate comfort becomes about belonging to Christ rather than the absence of suffering, while suffering becomes the context of God's love and our witnessing, rather than its interruption. These remind us that nothing of us is ever lost, wasted or unsecured before God. Nothing about us is ever lost, wasted, or overlooked by God. Even a strand of hair, the smallest, most easily lost thing remains within God's sight. In him, defeat turns into victory, chaos into order, and death into life. Stone by stone, God rebuilds, beautifies, and restores our lives from the desolations we face. He forms us into his temple—beautiful, indestructible, and filled with his presence.

Fr. Michael

MASS TIMES & INTENTIONS: 16 - 23 NOVEMBER 2025

Sat 15 18.30: Anthony Michael Hodgson - RIP, 16th Ann (*J Hodgson*)

Sun 16 09.00: Joseph & Harriet Hutchinson - RIP (*Hutchinson Family*)

11.00: Baby Abloe - RIP, 1st Ann

18.00: Ralf & Lucy Smallwood 64th Wedding Anniversary

Mon 17 09.30: Thanksgiving (*M Sebastian*)

Tues 18 09.30: Lily Ko - Good Health & WB (*T. Rutter*)

19.00: Raveena Ahmad & Sophie - For support (*T. Rutter*)

Wed 19 09.30: Thanksgiving (*M Sebastian*)

19.00: 25th Anni of the Ordination of Fr Saju

Thurs 20 07.00: Holy Souls

09.30: Dec'd Mems of Thottathil Family

THE PRESENTATION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY - MEMORIAL

Fri 21 07.00: Holy Souls

09.30: Thanksgiving (*Simon & Rosamma*)

ST CECILIA, VIRGIN & MARTYR - MEMORIAL

Sat 22 09.00: Dec'd Mems of the Amanpour Family (*F Amanpour*)

Sat 22 18.30: Holy Souls (*F Amanpour*)

Sun 23 09.00: John Bredl (*T Bredl*)

11.00: Mary Ann Molloy - RIP, 1st Ann (*F Deegan*)

18.00: Jack Hoey - RIP (*Hoey Family*)

REMEMBRANCE: Please remember in your prayers all who have recently died especially Mary Ryan & Keith Merrington and those whose anniversaries occur at this time. May their souls rest in peace. Amen

THE SICK: Vanessa Andrew
Deacon Al Callan, Martin Dray,
Thomas Haley, Frances Cox,
George Trutwein, Rita Reginald,
Sarah Mills, Thomas O'Connor,
Ian Beard, Anita Smith, Tony
Cook, Kathleen McGuinness, Nan
Healy, Samar Staussi, Joan Frost,
Shirlene A, Hazel D'Aguiar, Allan
Cook, Claire Pender, Wendy
Cook, Kathleen O'Connell, Ralph
Smallwood, Elizabeth Jones,
Nivetheni Robert, Gerry Hague,
Mark Draper, Tim Ryan, Adam
Martin, Maureen Stephens,
Maureen Sellwood, Mavis Fisher,
Andy Moolman, Qiaochen Shi,
Ida Rebello, Jisha Nelson, Vinitha
Sherin, Ravenna Ahmed, Lionel
Holland, Peter & Phil Tull, Julie
Brian, June Munk, Liam Cawley
& Sue Jones

EUCCHARISTIC EXPOSITION:

MORNING PRAYER (LAUDS):

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION:

ST ANTHONY OF PADUA NOVENA:

OUR LADY OF PERPETUAL HELP NOVENA:

OUR LADY OF FATIMA DEVOTION:

SYRO-MALABAR VIGIL

YOUTH MASS

MONDAY – FRIDAY: 8AM

MONDAY – FRIDAY: 9AM

SATURDAY: - 9.30-10am & 5.30-6.00pm

TUESDAY: - After morning and evening Masses

WEDNESDAY: - After morning and evening Masses

FIRST SATURDAY - of the month, after morning Mass

FIRST FRIDAY - of the month

LAST SUNDAY of the month

TODAY'S READINGS

Entrance Antiphon:

Jer 29: 11, 12, 14

The Lord said: I think thoughts of peace and not of affliction. You will call upon me, and I will answer you, and I will lead back your captives from every place.

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**

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: Grant us, we pray, O Lord our God, the constant gladness of being devoted to you, for it is full and lasting happiness to serve with constancy the author of all that is good. 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

Malachi 4:1-2a

Behold, the day is coming, burning like an oven, when all the arrogant and all evildoers will be stubble. The day that is coming shall set them ablaze, says the LORD of hosts, so that it will leave them neither root nor branch. But for you who fear my name, the sun of righteousness shall rise with healing in its wings.

Reader: The word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God

Responsorial Psalm: Ps 98(97):5-6. 7-8a. 8b-9b. 9cd. R cf. 9

The LORD comes to judge the peoples with fairness.

Sing psalms to the LORD with the harp,
with the harp and the sound of song.
With trumpets and the sound of the horn,
raise a shout before the King, the LORD. **R**

Let the sea and all within it thunder;
the world, and those who dwell in it.
Let the rivers clap their hands. **R**

The hills ring out their joy
at the presence of the LORD, for he comes.
He comes to judge the earth. **R**

He will judge the world with justice,
and the peoples with fairness. **R**

Second reading

2 Thessalonians 3:7-12

Brothers and Sisters: You know how you ought to imitate us, because we were not idle when we were with you, nor did we eat anyone's bread without paying for it, but with toil and labour we worked night and day, that we might not be a burden to any of you. It was not because we do not have that right, but to give you

in ourselves an example to imitate. For even when we were with you, we would give you this command: If anyone is not willing to work, let him not eat. For we hear that some among you walk in idleness, not busy at work, but busybodies. Now such persons we command and encourage in the Lord Jesus Christ to do their work quietly and to earn their own living.

Reader: The word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God

Gospel Acclamation

Luke 21:28

Alleluia, alleluia. Straighten up and raise your heads, because your redemption is drawing near. Alleluia.

Gospel

Luke 21:5-19

At that time: While some were speaking of the Temple, how it was adorned with noble stones and offerings, Jesus said, 'As for these things that you see, the days will come when there will not be left here one stone upon another that will not be thrown down.' And they asked him, 'Teacher, when will these things be, and what will be the sign when these things are about to take place?' And he said, 'See that you are not led astray. For many will come in my name, saying, "I am he!" and, "The time is at hand!" Do not go after them. And when you hear of wars and tumults, do not be terrified, for these things must first take place, but the end will not be at once.'

Then he said to them, 'Nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom. There will be great earthquakes, and in various places famines and pestilences. And there will be terrors and great signs from heaven. But before all this they will lay their hands on you and persecute you, delivering you up to the synagogues and prisons, and you will be brought before kings and governors for my name's sake. This will be your opportunity to bear witness. Settle it, therefore in your minds, not to meditate beforehand how to answer, for I will give you a mouth and wisdom, which none of your adversaries will be able to withstand or contradict. You will be delivered up even by parents and brothers and sisters, and relatives and friends, and some of you they will put to death. You will be hated by all for my name's sake. But not a hair of your head will perish. By your endurance you will gain your lives.'

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 Grant, O Lord, we pray, that what we offer in the sight of your majesty may obtain for us the grace of being devoted to you and gain us the prize of everlasting happiness. Through Christ our Lord. **Amen**

Communion Antiphon **Ps 72: 28**

To be near God is my happiness, to place my hope in God the Lord.

Prayer after Communion We have partaken of the gifts of this sacred mystery, humbly imploring, O Lord, that what your Son commanded us to do in memory of him may bring us growth in charity. Through Christ our Lord.

Amen

De Profundis (For our beloved dead).

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 AND SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

YOUTH & CHILDREN AWARENESS EVENT – A JOYFUL START

Last Sunday's Youth & Children Awareness Event brought families together for an afternoon of faith, fun and inspiration. Children and young people learned how they can take part in parish life through altar serving, reading, music, Bible study, youth ministry and the Lenten Project. The collaboration between the Parish and OLI School is growing, with Sarah Owen (RE Lead) helping to strengthen the link between school and parish life. Thank you to everyone who helped and attended. There is real enthusiasm to make this a regular event that continues to nurture faith, friendship and service among our young people.

FR JOSEPH EDEM - INDUCTION: You are warmly invited to Fr Joseph's Induction on **Friday, 5th December at 7:00pm**. He has recently become the Parish Priest of **St Anthony of Padua, 2 Genoa Road, London SE20 8ES**. Fr Joseph would greatly appreciate the presence of his friends from Our Lady Immaculate at this

PAST ANNOUNCEMENTS

special occasion.

THE PARISH FEAST DAY OF IMMACULATE HEART OF CONCEPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY will be celebrated on **Sunday, 7th of December** at the 11am Mass and with a get together in the hall after the Mass. There will be a spiritual preparation with a four days Novena to Our Lady Immaculate starting on Wednesday, 3rd of December. Everyone is invited to bring food and drinks to be shared in gratitude to the favours of our Blessed Mother Mary. Please also wear white or blue clothes for the Mass. Share these details with friends and families and invite them to come.

BEREAVEMENT GROUP: The group aims to offer non-judgemental

space for members to share feelings, experiences and challenges related to grief. This can be at a pace that members feel comfortable with. The group will be a prayerful space which will be available weekly during the month of November 2025 and then monthly throughout the year. Group facilitators: Debbie Board and Helen Emmett – Monday Evenings from the **10th November at 7pm in the Old Chapel**

NOVEMBER IS A MONTH DEDICATED TO PRAYING FOR THE DEAD.

We have erected a memorial Altar in Our Lady's Chapel with the pictures of your deceased loved ones - Please remember to book Masses for the dead and pray for them. It is our duty to pray for them.

ALL DAY ADORATION You are warmly invited to join us in Adoration all day on **Wednesday 19th November**, an opportunity to pray for our dearly departed loved ones, friends, and parishioners. The day's devotions will conclude with **Sung Evening Prayer (Vespers) at 6:00 pm, Followed by Mass at 7:00 pm**. Please feel free to come for any part of the day or stay for the full devotion. All are welcome.

CANDLELIGHT MASS FOR OUR DEPARTED LOVED ONES WILL BE ON FRIDAY, 28TH OF NOVEMBER AT 6PM. This will be a special Mass for all deceased parishioners and relatives of parishioners who have passed away. During the Mass, they will be remembered, and a family member or parishioner will be invited to light a candle in their memory as we pray for them. It will be a powerful opportunity to light a candle within the Mass and pray for your loved ones. **NB:** Please, send names with dates of death to the parish office or add the names to the list in the Narthex by 27th November.

VISITS TO THE SICK & HOUSEBOUND / EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS:

A new folder has been created and placed in the Sacristy containing a form for each of the sick, housebound or care-home residents whom we visit. We ask all Eucharistic Ministers to please complete the form each time you make a visit, recording: the Eucharistic Minister's name, the date of the visit etc. & any brief remarks or observations (optional). This will help us keep a clear and up-to-date record of who has been visited and when. Thank you for your dedication and for ensuring no one is overlooked in our parish community

2ND COLLECTION NEXT WEEKEND: For The Catholic Youth Service

OLI YOUTH MINISTRY: The OLI Youth Group will be having their next event on 23rd November 12.30pm - 1.45pm in the main hall. Young people aged 12-21 are invited to come along. There will be free pizza, games and teaching. Any questions, please send an email to tolworthyouth@rcaos.org.uk.

CHRISTMAS PRISONER'S GIFT BAGS - We are collecting gifts for the parish gift bags to be distributed on Christmas eve again this year to the prisoners in Wandsworth Prison. This is one of the ways that we hope to show Christmas love to the poor and those in need and to support the work of Fr. Michael in the Prison. For this year, the Parish will be providing Holy Cards and Calendars to the Prisoners. Please, if you wish to support, collect an envelope for this at the back of the Church and drop your donation in the Wandsworth Prison box at the back of the Church or give it to any of the clergy or to the Parish Office. Thank for your generosity.

OBITUARIES

MARY RYAN Kindly pray for Mary Ryan & family. Mary sadly passed away on Monday, 3rd November aged 87yrs.

Funeral: At OLI on Monday, 24th November, 11.30am

KEITH MERRINGTON Kindly pray for Keith Merrington & family. Keith sadly passed away on Tuesday, 4th November. **Funeral:** TBC

INFORMATION & REMINDERS

CHRISTMAS CARDS & REPOSITORY NEWS: The repository is open every Sunday after the 9am Mass to sell Christmas cards, Mass cards and other gift items. Please consider supporting your parish by stocking from the repository.

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.

SHARE THE JOY OF CHRISTMAS Dear Parishioners: If you want to join in our social media campaign 'OLI Parish Christmas', you are invited to send in videos for us to post on social media. Videos should be no longer than 1 minute please. If you have a story to tell, we can consider longer videos but these will be by exception. You can send the videos to Helen and she will start posting from December 1st until Christmas day. You can share anything you feel comfortable with, for example, what makes Christmas special to you, what are your family traditions and what do you look forward to doing this Christmas. We hope through your stories, we can spread Christmas joy to the world. Helen Orlando will also be available to shoot videos for you on location every Sunday after the 9am Mass if arranged beforehand. Follow us on social media @oliparishtolworth Send videos to 07828704653.

A Prayer For Dead family and friends.

God our Father, your power brings us to birth, your providence guides our lives, and by Your command we return to dust. Lord, those who die still live in Your presence, their lives change but do not end. I pray in hope for my family, relatives and friends, and for all the dead known to You alone. In company with Christ, who died and now lives, may they rejoice in Your kingdom, where all our tears are wiped away. Unite us together again in one family, to sing Your praise forever and ever. **Amen.**

WEEKLY COLLECTIONS

LAST WEEKEND

Gift-aid: £439.30	Non-Gift-aid: £892.95
	Total: £1,332.25
2nd Collection:	£110.39

TOTAL COLLECTION FOR OCTOBER 2025

A. Cash / cheques – £5,318.80
1. Gift-Aided – £1,889.54
2. Non-G/A – £3,429.26
B. Standing Orders / Bank Transfers – £2,271.00
1. Gift-Aided – £2,179.00
2. Non-G/A - £92.00
C. Contactless Machine – £1,599.00
Total = £9,185.80 (Last month: £8,542.24)

Thank you for supporting your Parish.

Cheques: Please make payable to RCAS Tolworth.

Kindly consider making your regular contribution to the Church via standing order (form available at olionline.co.uk), or by online banking: **RCAS Our Lady Immaculate Church, Account Number: 06467032; Sort Code: 60-21-05**

IMPORTANT: Gift Aid: If you are a Gift Aid donor, please include your **Gift Aid number** in your online payment reference. If you are not registered for Gift Aid, kindly use "NGA" in the reference. **Need Help?** Contact **Lance Louis** at [tol-worthgac1@rcaos.org.uk](mailto:worthgac1@rcaos.org.uk) or call 07851 070036.

OLI QR CODE FOR GIVING:

Kindly scan the QR code to make a donation to Parish funds. <https://donate.mydona.com/our-lady-immaculate-tolworth>



Thank you once again for your continued support.

A man went camping on a camping site. Before leaving his car to go hiking he left a note on the dashboard saying, "The stereo is broken." He did this to deter thieves from breaking into his older model car. When returning from his hike the man noticed his car window was broken and the stereo was cut from the dashboard. A note was left by the thief saying, "We'll fix it."

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