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Sunday, 19th November 2023

THIRTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME – YEAR A

1100hrs Mass Intention: Anthony & Charles Brooks RIP

Entrance Hymn: 371

Offertory Hymn: 874 Kyrie: M13 Acclamation: M16

Communion Hymn: 924 Gloria: M14 Great Amen: Plainchant

Recessional Hymn: 820 Sanctus: M15 Agnus Dei: M20

The obligation for the faithful to attend Holy Mass on a Sunday or Holy Day of Obligation has been reinstated. Pastoral consideration for the vulnerable and those isolating is imperative and appropriate dispensations remain in place for them.

WELCOME EVERYONE

For our celebration today you will require a Mass Sheet, a hymn book and a copy of any Mass Settings that we are using, all of which are available from the Welcome Team.

Children over four years old are invited to go to their liturgy with the Catechetical Team following the introduction to the Mass and return at the offertory. Activity bags, containing appropriate books and other materials, hanging on the chairs at the back of church may be borrowed to keep children engaged during Mass. Please replace them after use and before leaving the building. After Mass refreshments are served at the back of church.

MINISTRIES TODAY

Welcome Team: Mrs L McMahon; Mrs M Ferrie Readers: Ms E Ohemeng; Mr C Endean

Children's Liturgy Lead: Mrs R Nash

THIS WEEK

The Cathedral is open every working day from 1000hrs - 1600hrs

Mon 20th Nov: Feria of Ordinary Time, Week 33, Year I
Tue 21st Nov: The Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Wed 22nd Nov: St Cecilia, virgin, martyr

1145hrs – Midday Prayer (Psalter Week I)

1200hrs – Holy Mass *Rita Harper RIP*

Thu 23rd Nov: St Clement, pope, martyr

Fri 24th Nov: St Andrew Dung-Lac, priest, & Comps, martyrs

1400hrs – Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament 1545hrs – Holy Communion outside of Mass

NEXT SUNDAY

Welcome Team: Mrs E Allen; Mrs B Synyer Readers: Mr T Banda; Mrs M Williams

Children's Liturgy Lead: Mrs P Ryan

PRAYER INTENTIONS

Please keep the members of our Armed Forces, their families and all support staff, together with those who support our veterans, anyone bereaved by war and those who are commemorated in this month of Holy Souls, in your personal intercessions.

CHARITABLE SUPPORT

Our annual pre-Advent Raffle commences today. Prizes may be viewed and tickets purchased from the team at the back of church. The draw will take place after Mass next Sunday, 26th November and remember, you have to be in it to win it!

LIVESTREAMING LITURGIES

Sunday's Mass Zoom Invitation details – ID: 868 7374 4733 https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86873744733?pwd=UWxOZDhRRFI5 czBrS29Mek9hOWUxUT09 Passcode: 456095

TODAY'S COMMEMORATION

The World Day of the Poor was established by Pope Francis in his Apostolic Letter, *Misericordia et Misera*, on 20th November 2016. In 2023 the Holy Father reflects that Christians are called to "acknowledge every poor person and every form of poverty, abandoning the indifference and the banal excuses we make to protect our illusory well-being," Pope Francis goes on to say: "Regardless of the colour of their skin, their social standing, the place from which they came, if I myself am poor, I can recognize my brothers and sisters in need of my help." He draws on a passage from the Book of Tobit: "Do not turn your face away from anyone who is poor." The full text of the Holy Father's message is on the noticeboard and the Bishopric website, with further details at: www.csan.org.uk/guidance/world-day-of-the-poor-2023/

PURCHASING POWER

The Christmas repository collection is now on display in the side chapel. A one day only 50% sale of non-festive items will take place on Sunday, 3rd December.

CELEBRATING TALENT

We are planning to put on an exhibition of work to include that of all crafters in the congregation. Louise Morgan-Jones is happy to organise it and if you are interested in exhibiting in aid of charity please contact her directly at: davidlouise@morgan-jones.com

COMMUNITY MINISTRY

Those from amongst our number who kindly volunteer to read at Mass are requested to check the sign-up forms at the back of church as we are planning on publishing a new rota next week.

SPIRITUAL INVITATION

The ADoRE programme continues next Saturday, 25th November with an online mini-retreat. Details are on the noticeboard and Bishopric website. Registration is via: bit.ly/ADORENOV2023

AND FINALLY ...

... the secret to happiness is often said to be a good sense of humour and a bad memory!

With every blessing Fr Nick