
THE ORDINARY TIME OR SEASON OF THE YEAR

The Church sets aside certain days and seasons of each "year" to recall and celebrate various events in the life of Christ. Our "liturgical year" does not correspond to the calendar, but rather begins with the Season of Advent - which comes up in a fortnight. There are five Church Seasons: Advent, Christmas, Lent, the Paschal Triduum, and Easter. In addition, there are two blocks of "Ordinary Time."

Ordinary Time refers to all those parts of the Catholic Church's liturgical year that aren't included in the major seasons of Advent, Christmas, Lent, and Easter. It represents the ordered life of the Church - the period in which we live our lives neither in feasting (as in the Christmas and Easter seasons) or in more severe penance (as in Advent and Lent), but in the watchfulness and expectation of the second coming of Christ. The Ordinary Time number thirty-three or thirty-four depending on the year and are divided into two parts of the liturgical year. The first part of the Ordinary Time begins on the Sunday after the Epiphany Sunday (although the first Sunday is perpetually impeded by the Feast of the Baptism of the Lord) and continues until Ash Wednesday. With the date of Easter varying every year, this first part of Ordinary Time may include as few as four weeks and as many as nine weeks. Part two of Ordinary Time begins the Monday after the Pentecost Sunday and continues to the Saturday before the first Sunday of Advent.

TODAY'S READINGS

The readings for the thirty-third Sunday make us think about the end times. In the first reading the prophet Malachi tells the Israelites that the day of the Lord is coming. In the second reading Paul asks the Thessalonians to keep working and earning their living as they wait for the Lord. In the Gospel Jesus predicts the destruction of the Temple and the persecution that will befall the disciples but tells them not to be afraid.

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Office: psalter week 1; Sundays: year C; Weekdays: year II, week 33

Sunday morning Mass is livestreamed and will be available for viewing later on our parish YouTube channel: <https://www.youtube.com/user/StClaresChurch>

Date	Time	Occasion	Intention/Details
Saturday	6pm (vigil)	THIRTY THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	Lolita Salazar De Valdez
Sunday 13 th	9:30am		Irene Stewart RIP
Nov	6pm		People of the Parish
Monday	9:15am		Robert Snape RIP
Tuesday	7pm		Trevor Hughes RIP
Wednesday	9:15am		Intentions of Sr Anne
Thursday	9:15am		Holy Souls
Friday	12pm		Special Intentions
Saturday	10am	OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST KING OF THE UNIVERSE	Shirley Gilleade RIP
	6pm (vigil)		Gregory and Juliana De Souza RIP
Sunday 20 th	9:30am		Tony Burton RIP
Nov	6pm		People of the Parish

LATELY DEAD: Please pray for Susan Hesketh, Alban Lakeland and all who have died recently.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION: Saturdays 11am-12noon and on request.

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT: Monday-Friday 5pm-6pm, Saturday 11am-12noon. The church is usually open during the day for private prayer.

ROSARY: After 9:15am Mass and before 12noon Mass on Fridays.

ANNIVERSARIES: Judith Reilly, Catherine Murray, Ann Ashton, Irene Pye, Jeffrey Beswick, Michael Lyons, John Gorton, Mavis Rogerson, Peter Harwood, Vincent Gray, Joan Battersby, Anne Connolly, Vera Edwards, Bridget Warburton, Shirley Gilleade.

SICK AND HOUSEBOUND: Please pray for the sick and housebound of our parish especially Edward Alan Jackson.

POPE'S PRAYER INTENTIONS FOR NOVEMBER: For children who suffer

We pray for children who are suffering, especially those who are homeless, orphans, and victims of war; may they be guaranteed access to education and the opportunity to experience family affection.

READERS REQUIRED: We are in need of help filling our reader's rota especially at the Sunday 9:30 morning mass. If you would be interested in reading at any of our masses, please speak to one of our sacristans or priests.

WORLD DAY OF THE POOR: (today) “The World Day of the Poor comes this year as a healthy challenge, helping us to reflect on our style of life and on the many forms of poverty all around us.”

REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY: today we are collectively called to remember those who have given their lives in war, and to pray for all who suffer bereavement or disability due to conflict.

NOVEMBER LIST ENVELOPES: Available for collection from the Narthex. Please return them with names of any deceased relatives and friends you wish to pray for. The names will be left in a box by the altar throughout November. Donations for Holy Souls Masses are also welcome. Please include these in the envelopes.

TOY COLLECTION: The Salvation army are collecting new toys to give out at Christmas to the families who receive food parcels. Could any donations please be left at the presbytery along with donations for the food bank. There is a food bank collection next weekend 19th/20th November.

AID TO THE CHURCH IN NEED: To show our support to ACN and to help raise funds for our ACN Parish build project, there are 3 events in November which we would like to highlight:

This weekend-

Christmas Cards / Gifts for sale after all masses this weekend. Monies raised go towards our ACN Parish build project.

Friday 18th November 7pm-

Back by popular request! ACN Indian Dinner fundraising event in the Parish Hall. Tickets on sale after all masses. £10 / adult and £5 / child.

Wednesday 23rd November-

Please join us especially on 23rd November and during the month of November to Break the Silence on the persecution of Christians and all faiths, globally. We ask you to pledge your prayer and action this #RedWednesday. There will be a prayer service during adoration of the Blessed Sacrament between 5pm and 6pm on this day, you are very welcome to join us as we pray for all persecuted Christians throughout the world.

LAST WEEK: At Mass: 332 (77/160/95). Collections: £638.78. Thank you for your presence and generosity.

SPECIAL COLLECTION: Next Sunday is Youth Day, there will be a collection for the Diocesan Youth Services.

FULWOOD CHRISTMAS FARMERS MARKET: will be held on Saturday 26th November from 9:30 till 1pm at Fulwood Methodist Church, Watling Street Road. There will be Christmas gifts and cards plus all the normal market stalls.

Events this week (occasional/one-off events in bold type)

Day	Time	What?	Where?
Sunday 13 th	10:30am	After-Mass tea/coffee	Parish Hall
	6:45pm	Anointed & Sent groups (ages 11-18)	Parish Hall
Mon-Friday	3:20pm	After School Club*	Parish Hall
	5-6pm	Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament	Church
Monday	6pm	Cubs	Parish Hall
	8pm	Scouts	Parish Hall
Tuesday	6pm	Seekers (ages 8-11)	Parish Hall
	7:30pm	NCW Liturgy of the Word	Side chapel
Wednesday	10am	Parish Coffee Morning	Parish Hall
	7:30pm	NCW Liturgy of the Word	Church
Thursday	6:15pm	Beavers	Parish Hall
Friday	7pm	Lectio Divina	Side chapel
Saturday	9:15 – 10:30	Holy Communion Programme *	Parish Hall
	10:30 – 12pm	Spanish Classes	Parish Hall
	11am-12	Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament with Confessions	Church
Sunday 20 th Nov	10:30am	After-Mass tea/coffee	Parish Hall
	6:45pm	Anointed & Sent groups (ages 11-18)	Parish Hall

Events marked * are open only to members or those who have booked ahead.

DIVINE MERCY PRAYER GROUP: Friday 18th November at 3pm in the Church. All are welcome.

CAMINO: Could anyone who owes money for the sponsored Camino walk please give it Rita Hunter or put in a clearly marked envelope and post it through the presbytery door.

THE LETTER – A MESSAGE FOR OUR EARTH: there will be a free public screening of this film by the Laudato si movement featuring Pope Francis as the protagonist among 5 leaders representing indigenous groups the youth, the poor and the wildlife of our planet. 19th November 10am – 2pm at Xaverian Spiritual centre.

CHRISTIAN PASTORAL WORKER: Bethany house is a Christ centred home for older adults, providing excellent care and spiritual encouragement. An opportunity for a Christian pastoral worker has become available working with the residents, their families and staff, full details www.bethanyhouse.org.uk/jobs