

5 November 2017

## Thirty-First Sunday of the Year

Sundays Year A – Weekdays Year 1 – Psalter Week 3



St Joseph's Parish, Diocese of Northampton

Order of Discalced Carmelites (OCD)

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8 November	Saint Elizabeth of the Trinity, Virgin of the Carmelite Order - Memorial
9 November	Dedication of the Lateran Basilica - Feast
10 November	St Leo the Great, Pope and Doctor - Memorial
11 November	St Martin of Tours, Bishop - Memorial

**NEXT SUNDAY** is Remembrance Sunday and a two minute silence will be observed before the 11am Mass.

**REMEMBRANCE DAY AT HOLY NAME:** The air cadets' squadron will be joining us again next Sunday at Mass. Each year they provide a guard of honour and lay a wreath at a moving and fitting tribute to those gone before. They'll be joined by our guest trumpeter and usual musicians.

**THIS WEEKEND** there is a second collection for the Bishop's Maintenance Fund.

**BLESSING OF THE GRAVES IN ST JOSEPH'S CEMETERY** will take place this Sunday 5 November after the 11am Mass.

**THE OFFERTORY COLLECTION** last weekend amounted to £2,698. Your continued support is appreciated.

### REGISTER NOW FOR PARISH FIRST HOLY

**COMMUNION:** Classes for children in Year 3 or above not attending catholic schools start in January 2018. To enrol for this programme, please download, complete and return the registration form available from the website. The parents meeting with Fr Michael will take place on Wednesday 22 November at 7:30pm. If you have any queries please call the Parish Office on 01753 886581.

**PRAYERS FOR THE SICK:** Please pray for the sick of our Parish and for those who have asked for our prayers.

### LONDON AND SLOUGH RUN FOR THE HOMELESS:

Please bring your sandwiches, boiled eggs, crisps, drinks, fruit, biscuits, etc. to the Parish Centre by 3:30pm on Monday. Many thanks for your continued support.

**We now require blankets, pants, socks and jumpers please.**

**Please use the metal box provided: do not leave goods outside the Parish Centre.**

**SALE OF TRADCRAFT GOODS TODAY – SUNDAY 5 NOVEMBER** after the 9am Mass in the Parish Centre and after the 11am Mass in the First Committee Room.

**BABY LOSS:** Remembering the all too brief lives of babies who did not live to birth or beyond infancy. If this has affect you or someone you know, you might like to visit the quiet prayer space in the side alcove of the Church and light a candle. This memorial will stay for the month of November.

**ADVENT WORKSHOP:** Our popular Children's Liturgy Advent Workshop will take place after Mass on Sunday



3 December. All children (from pre-school to Year 6) are welcome to join us for crafts and carols, whilst remembering the true meaning of Christmas.

**CHRISTMAS LUNCH:** Our parish Christmas Lunch will take place on Sunday 10 December in the Parish Centre/Hall at 12:30pm.

**AGM MEETING MINUTES:** Copies of this year's Annual General Meeting Minutes are now available from the website, alongside the **2017 Annual Report**. Paper copies can be requested from the Parish Office.

**RECENTLY DECEASED:** Your prayers are requested for the repose of the soul of Sheilah Newbert who died recently. The funeral will take place on Friday 17 November at 11am in St Joseph's Church. We extend our deepest sympathy to all her family and friends.

**APH MILLHILL MISSION:** Members are asked to collect their Mission Today 2018 calendar from the back of the Church.

**FURNITURE MARKET:** Regarding the flyer in last week's newsletter, please note that the amount distributed in 2016 was £30,000 and not £30,00 as shown. This year we are expecting to do even better. Many thanks to all our helpers. **More helpers are still urgently needed.**

**THANK YOU** to everyone who supported our **Quiz Night** in October. An enjoyable evening was had by all and it raised **£309** for the parish.

## Youth News

Youth Group resumes this Sunday 5 November. Come along and join us for fun and food from 6:30pm until 8pm in the Parish Centre. Open to all young people in Year 6 and above.

**SLOUGH SLEEPOUT FOR THE HOMELESS:** John Power, Chairman of the charity, said: *"Our Emergency Winter Shelter is run by teams from churches in the area, across all faiths and in partnership with Slough Borough Council. Together, they welcome those with no homes and provide a hot meal, bedding, a safe place to sleep and breakfast the following morning. The positive impact this has on everyone involved is invaluable to the community. Unfortunately, though we face a real challenge; the numbers of rough sleepers in Slough is rising with 50 people using the shelter in 2017. We need funds to be able to reach as many as possible. The more people that join us for the "Slough Sleep Out" on **November 25**, the more we can help the community this winter. We are asking people to give for one night, so that we can help others during the hardest months of the year. This year we helped 22 guests find accommodation and 11 found employment."* Slough Sleep out for the Homeless will take place at St Bernard's School, Slough and will be in a fully-managed and secure environment. Details can be found on [www.thelondonandsloughrun.org](http://www.thelondonandsloughrun.org)

**SIGN UP SOON FOR 200 CLUB:** November is the last draw in our current 200 Club. Enrolment Details and Membership Forms for the next 12 months will be available shortly from the website and the Parish Office.

**THE ROYAL BRITISH LEGION** is asking the nation to *Rethink Remembrance* by recognising the sacrifices made by the Armed Force community, past and present. By wearing a poppy, you aren't just remembering the fallen: you're supporting a new generation of veterans and Service personnel that need our support. Poppies and associated items are available in the Church Porch and Parish Office.



**CANCELLED**

**RACE NIGHT:** Due to lack of interest and support this event has now been cancelled.

### WHAT IS LOVE ACTUALLY? – A light-hearted evening

**for couples:** What is love? How do we show love to others? How do we receive love? A fun evening exploring the meaning of love, with a drink on arrival, dessert and coffee. During the evening you will hear from Mark and Christine Daniel, Directors FamilyLife UK. They will share stories, relationship principles, humour and clips from the film "Love Actually". This takes place on Saturday 18 November in St Mark's Hall, Green Tiles Lane, Denham Green UB9 5HT from 7:30-9:30pm. The cost is £15 per couple. Tickets are available from St Mary's Church on 01895 832771 or [office@denhamparish.church](mailto:office@denhamparish.church). Please pick up a card from the Church porch.



**POPE FRANCIS' PRAYER INTENTION:** You are invited to answer the Holy Father's request and to join with many people worldwide in praying for his intentions each month. For November 2017 it is *"Christians in Asia: That Christians in Asia, bearing witness to the Gospel in word and deed, may promote dialogue, peace, and mutual understanding, especially with those of other religions."*

## HOLY SOULS

During November we pray especially for all the Holy Souls; those who have died in the past year, past members of our parish, our own departed relatives and friends and those with no one to pray for them.

You are invited to place names of loved ones in the golden box on the altar so we can remember them in our prayers.

*Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May the souls of the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.*

### Sunday Mass Times

St Joseph's, Chalfont St Peter: Saturday Vigil Mass at 5:30pm, Sunday at 7:45am, 9am, 11am and 5:30pm  
Holy Name, Denham: Sunday Mass at 9:30am  
Bridgettine Convent, Iver Heath: Saturday Vigil Mass at 4:30pm, Sunday at 9am

### All the following take place at St Joseph's, Chalfont St Peter

**Weekday Mass:** Monday to Friday at 7am and 9am, Saturday and Bank Holidays at 10am  
**Sacrament of Reconciliation:** Saturday from 10:30 – 11am and 4:45 – 5:15pm  
**Rosary:** Tuesday and Friday at 7:30pm  
**Eucharistic Adoration:** Wednesday and Thursday from 10am until 9pm in the Oratory

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