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Thirty Second Sunday in Ordinary Time – 8th November 2026
Remembrance Sunday

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This Week's Mass Times

Sat 7th Nov	4pm	St Thomas More's	Thirty Second Sunday in Ordinary Time (A)	*People of the Parish*
	6pm	St John's		*Agnes & Joe Schembri (RIP)*
Sun 8th Nov	9am	St Bernadette's		*Holy Souls*
	10.30am	St John's	Mass for the Dead	*War Dead*
Mon 9th Nov	***No Mass***		Feast of the Dedication of the Lateran Basilica	
Tues 10th Nov	6pm	St John's	Memorial of Saint Leo the Great	*Private Intention*
Wed 11th Nov	9am	St Thomas More's	Memorial of Saint Martin of Tours	*Holy Souls*
Thurs 12th Nov	11am	St John's	Funeral Mass	*Audrey Tomes (RIP)*
Fri 13th Nov	9am	St John's	Weekday in Ordinary Time	*Teresa Pisarewicz (RIP)*
Sat 14th Nov	4pm	St Thomas More's	Thirty Third Sunday in Ordinary Time (A)	*Peter Owen (RIP) (Ann)*
	6pm	St John's		*People of the Parish*

Today's Readings

Confessions

Sat	10.00-10.30am	St John's
Sat	3.30-3.50pm	St Thomas More's
Sat	5.30-5.50pm	St John's

THE WORD THIS WEEK

"Watch early for wisdom": wise words, and ones that the foolish bridesmaids of the Gospel should have taken to heart. This is the ultimate in 'putting off till tomorrow...', since the reading is about the end of time, when the Son of Man will come again. Then there will be no tomorrow. If a thing is worth doing, it's worth doing today. Quite often we contemplate the end of time with anxiety and fear: this is not what God wants. Look at the Psalm, where we hear of desperate longing, a thirst for the Lord, that cannot wait. We should not just wait for the Lord with patient endurance, but with impatient longing: what could we desire more than the coming of the Lord, the rising of the dead and an eternity of joy and glory?

REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY – THIS WEEKEND

The 10.30am Mass, This Sunday 8th November will be celebrated as a Mass for the Dead of the Two World Wars and subsequent conflicts and will begin with an Act of Remembrance.

RED BOX HOLDERS-ST. JOHN'S

If you are a red box holder, please bring your box to St. John's during November and they will be emptied for you.

DBS SAFEGUARDING TRAINING REMINDER

All DBS certificated volunteers are required to complete Safeguarding Training every 3 years and the Diocese request that we complete the training by 31st December 2026. The next training will be at the Parish Centre on 11th November from 6-7.30pm or you can, if you wish, do the on-line training module at your own convenience at: https://training.catholicsafeguarding.org.uk/

There will be another Training Session available in the Parish Centre on Wednesday 9th December from 6-7.30pm.

FUNERAL ST. JOHN'S

The Funeral Mass for Audrey Tomes will be on Thurs 12th Nov at 11am at St. John's

LECTIO DIVINA- ST. BERNADETTE'S

This continues on the second Wednesday of each month, 10.15-11am. The next date is 11th November. If you have a Sunday Missal, please bring this with you. All welcome.

CANON LIAM'S 90th BIRTHDAY PICTURES

There are pictures of Canon Liam at St. Peter's House on his 90th Birthday- some with him watching the Mass that was said for him. They are available on the website. Please do take a look at these if you have time.

FIRE MARSHALL TRAINING- CANCELLED

We have had to postpone the Fire Marshall training as not enough people came forward. The training will only be about an hour and there is no ongoing commitment to meetings etc- just to be available should there be an evacuation of Mass. We need at least two volunteers per Church. If you think you could do this, please do contact Eve and we will re-organise training.

ST. JOHN'S QUIZ NIGHT

On Fri 27th Nov there will be a quiz night in the Parish Centre to raise funds for the ongoing building works. Tickets are £5 per person for teams of 4 or 6. For further info please contact Mike Heather 01225762966 / 07712662672

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION 2027 REGISTRATION

Our next First Holy Communion and First Confession preparation programme will start on 21st January and run on certain Thursday evenings at St. John's Parish Centre until June (dates will be given to parents upon registration). If your child has been Baptised and is in school year 3 and above you can enrol them by filling in the online form: First Holy Communion Registration 2027 Alternatively, the form can be found on the parish website. Deadline for registration is Friday 1st January 2027. There will be no registrations past this date.

CONFIRMATION 2027 ENROLMENT

Our next Confirmation preparation programme will start on the 13th April 2026 and run every Tuesday evening at St. John's Parish Centre for 7 weeks (not including half term). If your child is in school year 9 or above and has taken their First Holy Communion you can enrol them by filling in the online form (Please note a copy of your child's Baptism Certificate needs to be emailed/given to Eve along with the registration form in order for your child to be allocated a place on the programme) Confirmation 2027 enrolment form Alternatively, the form can be found on the parish website. Deadline for registration is 12th February 2027. No registrations will be taken after this date.

MISSION APPEAL ALL MASSES- NEXT WEEKEND

Fr. Lawrence Danladi MSP, of the Missionary Society of St. Paul (MSP), will make the mission appeals this weekend. The MSP is a religious congregation working in different parts of the world, committed to spreading the Good News of Jesus Christ and the salvific work of God the Father in the Holy Spirit. The MSP warmly invites you to support their mission appeal. There will be a second collection at all Masses.

WEBSITE

When searching for the website, on some internet browsers, a warning pops up saying 'Your connection is not private'. Much like with a mobile phone, the company who host the website need to do an update and until that happens this notice is popping up. The website is still safe to use and we are getting this looked at.

CHRISTMAS CARDS FOR SALE IN AID OF RENOVATION FUNDS

One of our talented parishioners, Robby, has again painted three beautiful original artworks for this Christmas which we have turned into cards. They are now on sale from St. John's or the Parish Office so please do consider buying these for your Christmas cards this year.

PARISH DATABASE REMINDER

For those who are new to either of our parishes or who have yet to do so, please do register for the parish database. It is Fr Richard's only way to have your phone number or email if he needs to contact you. Please call Eve if you need help with this. Please use this link https://stjohnstbernadettestthomasmore.churchsuite.com/embed/addressbook/form

FLAME 2027

The diocese have an exciting opportunity for young people across our Diocese to attend FLAME 2027, taking place on Saturday 6th March 2027 at Wembley Arena. FLAME brings together thousands of young people from across the country for a day of inspiration, worship, and encouragement in faith. The diocese have just under 50 tickets remaining of the one hundred they secured and would love to see young people from parishes, youth groups, and families attend. If you are interested, please complete the form below and the diocese will be in touch with further details: Register your interest

CELEBRATION MASS FOR MARRIAGE AND FAMILY LIFE

Bishop Bosco is to celebrate Mass in the Cathedral on Saturday 6th February (12 noon) and is inviting all families to join him to acknowledge the joys & challenges of family life. In addition, we will celebrate those couples with significant anniversaries in 2027. You are all very welcome to join our diocesan family for this Mass. If you are, or know of a couple, celebrating a significant anniversary during 2027 please let Eve know.

POPPIES FOR REMEMBRANCE

The Open Church group at St Mary's Catholic Church, Bath took up the suggestion of making and creating a knitted and crocheted Poppy display for our church. We opened up the challenge to our parishioners and many got involved, including children at St Mary's Catholic Primary School, Bath. The initial ambition was to create 1000 which we exceeded. We have nearly 3400 poppies. We will open St Mary's Catholic church, Julian Road, Bath BA1 2SQ on a number of days during November from 10.00am-12.00pm and 2.00-4.00pm. Come and see the display whilst remembering all those who have fought for our country during the wars and those who have lost their lives:

Wk 2: Wed 11th, Sat 14th; Wk 3: Tues 17th*, Fri 20th*; Wk 4: Mon 23rd *Mornings only. Donations to the British Legion