



SHREWSBURY CATHEDRAL

*Incorporating the Cathedral of Our Lady Help of Christians & St Peter of Alcantara,
Our Lady of Pity, Harlescott & St Winefride, Monkmoor*

THIRTY THIRD WEEK IN ORDINARY TIME (Year A)

MASS TIMES & INTENTIONS

Saturday 18 th November	<i>Vigil for Sunday</i>	Our Lady of Pity	6pm	David Edward Blake
Sunday 19 th November	Thirty Second Sunday In Ordinary Time Extraordinary Form	Cathedral Our Lady of Pity St Winefride Cathedral St Winefride Cathedral	8.30am 9.00am 9.30am 10.45am 12.15pm 6.00pm	Holy Souls <i>Mass in Polish</i> Private Intention (JJ) Vera & Sean Murphy Pro Populo
Monday 20 th	Ferial	Convent Cathedral	7.30am 12.15pm	Holy Souls Winifred Devney (Birthday)
Tuesday 21 st	Presntation of the Blessed Virgin Mary	Our Lady of Pity Cathedral	9.30am 12.15pm	Holy Souls Holy Souls
Wednesday 22 nd	St Cecilia	St Winefride's Cathedral	9.30am 12.15pm	For all Musicians The Cathedral Choir & Musicians
Thursday 23 rd	Ferial	Our Lady of Pity Cathedral	9.30am 12.15pm	Mrs Murphy & Sean Dennis O'Connor for the Wells Family
Friday 24 th	Ss Andrew Dun-Lac & Companions	Cathedral	12.15pm	Vera & Sean Murphy
Saturday 25 th	St Catherine of Alexandria <i>Vigil for Sunday</i>	Cathedral Our Lady of Pity	9.30am 6.00 pm	Dec'd Members of the Hawley family David Edward Blake
Sunday 26 th <i>Day of Special Prayer for Young People</i>	OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, THE KING OF THE UNIVERSE Extraordinary Form	Cathedral Our Lady of Pity St Winefride Cathedral St Winefride Cathedral	8.30am 9.00am 9.30am 10.45am 12.15pm 6.00pm	Paul Mooney (RIP) <i>Mass in Polish</i> Intentions of CF Ints. of Diocesan Youth Mission Team Pro Populo

SACRAMENTS AND OTHER LITURGIES

BAPTISM, CONFIRMATION, FIRST HOLY COMMUNION, MARRIAGE

These Sacraments are celebrated by arrangement following preparation/catechesis – please speak to a priest following one of the Masses

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT in the Cathedral:

Sunday 4.30-5.30pm with Evening Prayer and Benediction

Tuesday 5.30-6.30pm (for Peace), Thursday 5.30-6.30pm (for Vocations)

THE SACRAMENT OF MERCY (CONFESSION) Cathedral: Monday-Friday: 11.30am-12noon, Saturday: 10-11am, Our Lady of Pity: Saturday 5.15-5.45pm, St Winefride: Sunday 8.40-9.10am.

Outside these times, you are always welcome to approach a priest to hear your confession.

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH (THE DIVINE OFFICE)

Cathedral: Sunday 8am (Lauds), 10.15am (Prayer during the Day), 5.30pm (Vespers)

"Beginners in religion ought to exercise themselves principally in meditation on the last four things...., "he who does not in his thoughts and fears go down to hell in his lifetime, runs a great risk of going there when he dies." - St Philip Neri

This weekend is the penultimate of the Church's year. Next week we conclude our recital and contemplation of the Lord's life and teaching according to St Matthew (Year A) with the Solemnity of Christ the King. In Advent we prepare for the coming of Christ, firstly by reflecting on the 'Four Last Things' and the Parousia (παρουσία- an ancient Greek word meaning presence, arrival, or official visit) which the Church uses to refer to the fact that Jesus Christ will return to close the current period of human history in earth. We look to the coming of Christ and to assist us in preparing for that encounter at the end of time. The Church teaches us that there are Four Last Things: death, judgment, heaven and hell and we need to understand exactly what the Church teaches, as there are many elements that have 'imported' regarding death, judgment, heaven and hell which are not part of the Church's teaching.

So let us read a *Summary of Doctrine on the Last Things* to help us understand.

Death is the separation of man's mortal body and immortal soul. It comes to all men as a result of original sin. It is a temporary state, for at the end of the world, all men shall rise again to be judged by Christ. Thus the whole man, body and soul, will be rewarded for the good or evil that he has done, body and soul, in this life.

At the moment of death, each human person is *judged* by God based on his conduct in this life, and goes immediately to his reward or punishment. Moreover, at the end of the world, Jesus Christ will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead. At that time, God's whole plan for the world shall be revealed, and his mercy and justice demonstrated.

Heaven is the eternal state of perfect happiness resulting from the face to face vision of God, which is the reward of those who have served Him in this life.

Hell is the eternal state of torment and despair which awaits those who, in this life, have freely rejected God and the happiness which He offers.

Before the end of the world, there will be an intermediate state called *purgatory*. There, those who are bound for heaven, but whose love for God is still marred by some imperfection, undergo a temporary period of purifying suffering. When this purification is complete, they are fit to enter God's presence and are admitted to the joys of heaven.

Let us reflect on our lives, the lives of our loved ones, and that future to which we are called by God, and greet the Church's New Liturgical Year with new resolutions, amendments of life and the renewed sense of faith.

Have a good week! Canon Jonathan

The next Youth Alpha with pizza for ages 13-19 will be **today (Sunday 19th November)** from 6.45pm to 8.30pm in the Orchard Cafe (immediately after the 6pm Mass). Parents please confirm your son/daughter's attendance by emailing Fr Tony at revtonymcgrath@outlook.com

On **Monday 27th November** the **CWL meeting** being held at St Winefride's Centre will start at 7 pm and at 7.30 Father Edmund will give a talk/spiritual preparation for Advent. All who may be interested are very welcome to join us for the evening. The evening always finishes with Refreshments! Menus and final payments for the Christmas meal on 8th December must be settled that evening too.

CAFOD 20-week draw Week 15 £10 prize No. 85 B. Kilgannon Week 16 £10 prize No.74 M. Burke

CAFOD will benefit from a **concert in the Cathedral on Wednesday 13th December, 8pm**. The Got to Sing Choir will present 'Jingle all the way ... an evening of song and carols' followed by mince pies and mulled wine! Admission free, collection in support of CAFOD.

Catholic Clothing Guild Thank you to the few brave souls who supported Olwyn's lunch on Tuesday despite the awful weather. With two donations, a profit of £70 was made.

CHILDREN'S SOCIETY BOXES are due to be emptied. Please hand your offerings to Mrs Bernardette Waring at St Winefride's and Mrs Judy Harding at Our Lady of Pity. Thank you!

YELLOW RIBBON PROJECT Re:Creation Cafe has re-launched and is now in larger premises in the Riverside Mall. It is open 6 days a week 9am-4.30pm and with its coffee shop and furniture restoration project helps ex-offenders move from prison to promise.

LOURDES GROUP SOUP LUNCHESES - Soup Lunches - The Lourdes Group will be serving soup again, this weekend, in the Parish Room. Everyone is invited to join us.

ADVENT TAIZE EVENING at St Winefride's Church on Wednesday 6th December at 7.30pm. The evening will comprise a series of Taize songs, readings, prayers and Advent reflection followed by seasonal refreshments served by the Lourdes Group. All are welcome.

ST WINEFRIDE'S on Tuesday Nov. 7th the heaters were left switched on. Would all groups double check that all heaters are switched off before vacating the room. Thank you to Mrs. George for donating a very nice Hoover in answer to our request. No excuse for leaving the place in a mess in future!

ST WINEFRIDE'S APF Red Boxes are due to be opened in December for the last time in 2017! If anyone would like their box opened then please bring it to church. Also the 2018 calendars new available at the back of the church for subscribers. Please contact me on 01743364329 if there are any problems. Thank you Christine Underwood.

MIDLANDS CHORALE CONCERT Sat 25th November 7.30pm at Trinity Centre Meole Brace, for a School in Uganda. Tickets £10 from Dave Hewetson 07972 254010.


The Cathedral Marian Lamp burns this week for the **Poor Souls in Purgatory** and the Cathedral St Winefride's Lamp burns for the **Youth of the Church**. If you would like either of the lamps to burn for a particular intention, please contact the Cathedral Office. A £5 donation is suggested.

CATHEDRAL COFFEE ON SUNDAY is served next door in No. 12 Belmont after the 10.45am Mass. This week coffee will be served by the **Children's Liturgy Group** and next week by the **Lourdes Group**.

"AN ASTONISHING SECRET", ACTA CONFERENCE Sat 25 November in Chester. Fr Daniel O'Leary, well-known author, teacher and theologian, and longstanding member of ACTA, is our main speaker. You are warmly invited to this important ACTA (A Call to Action) event at St Columba's Church Hall, Chester, CH2 1SA on **25th November (11am -3pm)**. This will be a wonderful opportunity to find out more about ACTA, to meet others who want to promote dialogue in the Church, and to help take ACTA forward in the Shrewsbury diocese. Registration is from 10.30am. No charge (donations welcome on the day). Tea/coffee provided. Bring a packed lunch. If you are planning to attend, to help us have an idea of numbers, please contact: Dave Thomas daveanthomas@yahoo.co.uk For more details, including a location map, visit the ACTA website: www.acalltoaction.org.uk To share transport from Shrewsbury contact Patrick Strong 01743 364263 or Theresa Jones 01743 247448

DATES FOR DIARIES

- Blessing of Graves 25th November Church Stretton Cemetery 2.30pm, 26th Plowden Cemetery (after Mass).
- Advent Taize Evening at [St Winefride's Church](#) on Wednesday 6th December at 7.30pm
- Cathedral School Carols & Readings - Thursday 7th December 2017, 5.30pm at Shrewsbury Cathedral.
- Advent Unplugged with the Shrewsbury Youth Mission Team The event is open to all. Sunday 10th December in the Cathedral, 7pm-8.30pm.
- St Winefride's Convent School Concert at the Cathedral on the evening of 11th of December (TBC)
- Cathedral Carol Service & Blessing of Candles 17th of December 3pm at the Cathedral
- Christmas Worship Cafe Wednesday 20th December, 7.30 in the Orchard Cafe

What's on every week...		
Monday	Meditation Group 10.45am, Convent, College Hill. Term-time. T: 240401 Rosary Group 2.30pm at St Winefride's Parish Centre	
Tuesday	Meditation Group Fortnightly (1 st & 3 rd Tuesdays), 6.45pm (see above) SVP meeting - meets every week 8pm-9pm in the Parish Room.	
Thursday	Lectio Divina Group on the 2nd and 4th Thursday of each month (7.30pm in Cathedral Sacristy)	

**ANTIPHONS, READINGS & RESPONSES
THIRTY THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (YEAR A)**

Entrance Antiphon:	The Lord said: I think thoughts of peace not of affliction. You will call upon me, and I will answer you, and I will lead back your captives from every place.
First Reading:	A reading from the Book of Proverbs (31:10-13, 19-20, 30-31) <i>A perfect wife - who can find her?</i>
Psalm:	Psalm 127 O blessed are those who fear the Lord.
Second Reading:	A reading from the first letter of St Paul to the Thessalonians (5: 1-6) <i>Let not the day of the Lord overtake you like a thief.</i>
Gospel Acclamation:	Alleluia, alleluia! Even if you have to die, says the Lord, keep faithful and I will give you the crown of life Alleluia!
Gospel:	A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew (25: 14 - 30) <i>You have been faithful in small things; come and you in your master's happiness</i>
Communion Antiphon:	To be near God is my happiness, to place my hope in God the Lord

THE HOLY FATHER'S INTENTIONS (November) 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.

YOUR WEEKLY GIVING

Cathedral: 12th November £993.61
Our Lady of Pity: 11th November £296.75
St Winefride's: 12th November £482.95

Thank you for your consistent generosity.

CATHEDRAL PARISH CLERGY

Cathedral Dean: Very Reverend Canon Jonathan Mitchell
Assistant Priests: Reverend Father Edmund Montgomery & Reverend Father Tony McGrath, Fr Andrew Moss
Permanent Deacons: Rev. Mr. Fred Beddow, Rev. Mr. Ron Ball, & Rev. Mr. Ben Tomnay
Associated Priest: Reverend Father David Mawson (*A Priest of the Ordinariate of Our Lady of Walsingham*)
Retired Priest: Reverend Father Gerard McGuinness

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