

My Day By Day

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Magnolia Tree

You will have noticed that the Magnolia Tree adjacent to the Lady Chapel has been cut back and currently appears to be a stump.

During the drainage survey and tree works it was found that the Magnolia had not been maintained for many years, but had been allowed to grow unrestrained causing damage to the drainage below the tree and the car park. The roots may also have caused damage to the Lady Chapel walls, explaining the cracks. There was a risk of damage from branches overhanging the Lady Chapel roof. A number of Health & Safety issues were also identified due to the low hanging branches.

Following advice from the contractor, rather than remove the Magnolia altogether, it was decided to "pollard" the tree which, with controlled maintenance over the next few years, should start growing new shoots. For further details, contact Jack Noronha

Christmas Party

Join us for this year's OLOP Christmas party on Saturday 9th December at 6pm! Tickets are on sale after Mass every Sunday.

The evening will consist of a festive 3 course meal with carols and a Christmas quiz. There will be separate entertainment for the children with a kid friendly finger buffet.

Tickets: Adults -£20; 5-10 yrs- £7.50; Under 5's free.

Craft Afternoons

There will be 3 craft afternoons lasting about 45 mins after the 11am mass on 19th November, 26th November and 3rd December to help prepare the table decorations for our Christmas Party. Everyone is welcome and teas & coffee's will be provided!

Offertory Collection	12th Nov
Envelopes	47.00
Loose Cash	788.36
Standing Orders	709.33
Total	£1,544.66

Thank you for all your kind donations.

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CUBS Mon. 6.45pm / **BEAVERS** Thurs. 5.45pm /
SCOUTS Fridays 8pm in HALL

Reading Sunday Mass Times

Emergency numbers for a Priest *- please call your own priest first*

Christ the King, Whitley	Sat 6.30pm; Sun 10.00am
St. John Bosco, Woodley	Sat 6.30pm; Sun.10.00am
St. James	Sat 6.00pm; Sun 11.00am
English Martyrs, Tilehurst	Sat 6.30pm; Sun 9.30am, 11.30am, 5.00pm
St. Joseph, Tilehurst	Sun 8.30am, 10.30am
St. William of York	Sun 9.00am, 11.00am (in Latin) 6.00pm (Students' Mass)

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33rd Sunday of Ordinary Time Year A p. 87 **19th November 2017**

Do not worry about trivial matters. Forget not love and be ready to stand in front of

God's Majesty on the Judgement day.

"We are all sons of light and sons of the day; we do not belong to the night or to darkness". Enjoy this message and do not worry too much, including your family life, work, and even our parish governance. You worry too much. Just trust in God and in His leadership. Please support your priest and each other in your prayers. Be sure that your goodwill, your hands are also important. We need a solid foundation. Instead of being afraid of too many things, ask yourself a more serious question: Are you ready to stand in front of God at this very moment? If you are not, please remember that death (followed by Judgement) can happen at any minute. You might not have much time left. Do not worry then about trivial things, do not bring more strife; but be ready to stand in front of the Majesty of God. It is very important to envisage this unique and concluding moment of your life.

Never forget about love. Never forget that there will be the Last Judgement - only these two areas matter. You will be asked what you have done with your talent, meaning with your life. Ask yourself what you have been doing with your life. Be careful, though when answering your question. Do

not use your self-serving criteria and currently popular "norms". None of these things will be valid at the Last Judgement. In the gospel about the Talents, we see a man who used his self-serving criteria to deal with the Talent entrusted to him by the King. The King himself gave him a lot, but sadly the gift was rejected. The man compared himself with others. He accused the King, portrayed him in a scandalous way, and finally rejected his gift.

Self-serving criteria do not take into account the greatness of life in all its fullness. If one follows them, the choice often is limited to the burial of Talents, which we observe in the gospel. We need to use God's criteria, God's vision, God's teaching entrusted to the Church. We need to challenge our "I want" attitude and measure ourselves by "what God wants from me" attitude. We need to learn how to answer God's calling and follow him. We are created to share in the love of Christ and His Cross and Resurrection in His Church. Our nature is to be a "response" attitude to the Lord. Do not be a "cherry picker" Catholic, do not dictate your way, do not worry too much.

Fr Stan

Psalm Response: O Blessed are those who fear the Lord.

Date & Dedication	Time	Mass Intentions
Sun 19th November 33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time	8.15am 9.00am 11.00am 5.00pm	Rosary Ambrose Beng Thanksgiving—Luke Alexander 4th anniv Transplant Baptism Helena Hannah Grace Wallis Kathleen Pearl RIP (Foundation Mass)
Mon 20th November	9.30am 10.00am	Rosary Patrick Mooney RIP
Tue 21st November <i>The Presentation of the Virgin Mary</i>	9.00am 10.00am 12 noon	Adoration Funeral Service Elizabeth Frances MacAuley
Wed 22nd November <i>St Cecilia</i>	9.30am 10.00am	Rosary Gala Sagun RIP (Anniv)
Thu 23rd November <i>St Clement I</i>	No Mass	
Fri 24th November <i>St Andrew Dung-Lac & Companions</i>	10.00am 11.00am	Nephews, Nieces @ Grandmother of Evelyne Beng Adoration until 7pm
Sat 25th November <i>St Catherine of Alexandria</i>	10.30am 11.00am 12 noon	Talk on Healing & Deliverance Adoration Holy Mass with healing and individual blessing
Sun 26th November CHRIST THE KING	8.15am 9.00am 11.00am 5.00pm	Rosary John M McNamara Parishioners Baptism Thaïs Anne Elisabeth Marie d'Hendecourt All Souls in Purgatory

During the month of November, please pray for all deceased and offer Mass intentions for their souls.

Children's liturgy: Please register your child before Mass.

Anniversaries - please keep in your prayers

Violet Lefebure (1977) Joan Andrijecko (1983) Kenneth Mansfield (1987)
Martin Sexton (1995) John Pringle (1998) Harold Nunn (2002)
Norman Preston (2013) and Eric Skilton (2014)

TODAY Sunday 19th November

Today, 19th November, the Franciscan Sisters of the Immaculate from the Holy Cross Bookshop, London, are visiting the parish, and a selection of religious Christmas cards, gifts and nativity sets will be available after Mass, together with books and other religious articles. All money goes to support the missions. So why not, with a religious gift, remind your friends and family that Christmas is about Christ, and at the same time, support the missionary work of the Church! See you there!

THIS WEEK

Elizabeth Frances McAuley

Please pray for Elizabeth who died on 22nd October 2017, aged 70. Her funeral service will take place here on Tuesday 21st November at 12 noon.

Faith Talks Contd.

This week in church at 8.00pm
Monday 20th EXODUS and our situation of today.
Friday 24th WORD of GOD in scripture.
Both of these are to prepare for celebration and receiving of Bible, with the blessing of a priest.

Talks given by Neo-catechumenal Way 1st community Ealing Abbey.

Healing Mass

Our next Healing Mass will take place on Saturday 25th November at 12 noon. Please put the date in your diary and spread the message around to those needing our intercession prayers. Please contact Fr. Stan if you can help with the music and readings during the Mass.

FUTURE EVENTS

Traidcraft

The Traidcraft Stall will be open on Sunday 26th November for the collection of Christmas Cards and goods ordered.

Christ the King Solemnity

Sunday **26th November** is a major feast which ends the Liturgical Year (A). On this occasion, at the 11am Mass, we will renew our Baptismal promises and say a prayer to mark the occasion. All children and youths are invited to take part in this Mass.

Events in Advent

- We will say the Angelus before all Advent Masses
- We will again celebrate a Rorate Mass every Wednesday morning in Advent, at 6.30am, following the tradition started last year. This is a candlelit Mass in the dark - bring your own lantern.
- Please join us on Friday 8th December - Feast of the Immaculate Conception: Mass at 10.00 am and 7.30 pm and blessing of cards for Christmas (also to be done on Sunday 10th Dec.). Parishioners will be asked to give cards to anyone they know who is Catholic and has lost touch or drifted away from their faith.

Youth Mass with Bishop Philip

Bishop Philip invites young adults (16- 35) to join him at St John's Cathedral on the 26th November: The Feast of Christ the King and National Youth Sunday. He will be celebrating the 6pm Mass, followed by a social with food, and talks from inspiring guest speakers in the Cathedral Discovery Centre. Register by contacting Fr Stan or Dorinda.