

CATHOLIC CHURCH IN LONGDENDALE

PARISH NEWSLETTER

THIRTY-SECOND SUNDAY (a)

Remembrance Day

Nov 8th 2020



*They shall grow not old,
as we that are left grow old:
Age shall not weary them,
nor the years condemn.
At the going down of the sun
and in the morning
We will remember them.*

You know neither the day nor the hour.

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MASS INTENTION

Sun 8th	THIRTY-SECOND SUNDAY (Remembrance)	in thanksgiving (JB)
Mon 9th	DEDICATION OF LATERAN BASILICA	for Tom Berry, in thanksgiving
Tues 10th	St Leo the Great, Pope	forgotten holy souls RIP (EL)
Weds 11th	St Martin of Tours	Maureen Keane RIP (MR)
Thurs 12th	St Josaphat	for the parish
Fri 13th	feria	Richard Revell RIP (fam)
Sat 14th	St Willbrod	deceased of the Simpson fam RIP
Sun 15th	THIRTY-THIRD SUNDAY	for the parish

THIRTY-SECOND SUNDAY (A)

Psalter Week 4

INTRODUCTION Away with hypocrisy! Practise what you preach!

FIRST READING : Wis 6 : Wisdom is God`s gift, discerned by those who would seek it.

RESPONSE : **GUARD MY SOUL IN PEACE BEFORE YOU O LORD**

SECOND READING : 1 Thess 4 : God will bring with him those who have died in Christ.

GOSPEL : Mt 25 : The bridegroom is here! Go to meet him!



SICK AND HOUSEBOUND and ANNIVERSARIES OF DEATH

Please remember to support and pray for those listed as sick and housebound in our parish:

Mary Perry, Peter James, Adrian McHugh, Fr John Cairns, Cn Michael Moore, Pauline Anderson, Eileen Berry, Isabella Phillips, Monica Krommendijk, Una Wilkinson, Nella Lewykyj, Evelyn Matthewman, Neil Appleton, Alice Canning, Dorothy Yarwood.

Please recall in prayer our deceased priests and parishioners whose anniversaries occur about this time: Revv William McEnery, George Tutto, Bishop Hendren: Roy Brookes, Frank James, Thomas Kane, Ronald Green, John Knight, James Bowdren, Richard Revell, Chris Partridge:

Eternal rest grant unto them O Lord, may they rest in peace. Amen

PARISH NOTES

THIS WEEKEND we find ourselves locked-down again. We are locked-out of our churches for Sunday Mass once more, despite our bishops' attempt to reverse that regulation. Many are locked-in their homes once more, making their isolation more isolating. Frustratingly it is once again even more difficult (or even illegal) to visit the housebound and those in Care Homes.

Our first lock-down began 32 weeks ago in late March, in the shadow of St Joseph's feastday; Lock-down (2) began on St Charles feastday. Please God we'll open in time to honour Our Lady's Immaculate Conception.

Positively, let's take the chance to pray for each other with renewed eagerness—and pray that in 24 days we'll move from lock-down to open-up.

This thirty-second Sunday is also Remembrance Day. We remember those killed in conflict, giving thanks for their sacrifice. Not so easy this year to lay our wreaths. But we can keep the 11am silence, and do more than remember; we can pray for their eternal rest.

THIS WEEKEND THE SUNDAY READINGS offer much enlightenment as ever;

The **first reading** urges us to seek the gift of Wisdom—not just knowledge, not even simply understanding or learning. Such a gift is much needed these days. “Come Holy Spirit!”

The **second reading**, familiar lines from St Paul about the Second Coming, the Day of Judgement, and life after death. A fitting reading for Remembrance Sunday; a fitting reading for the month of the Holy Souls.

The gospel tells the story of the wise & foolish virgins, reminding us to ‘be on the watch’ for the Lord's coming.

SAINTS ALIVE

Monday : we are invited to acknowledge fealty to our mother the church by celebrating the principal basilica of Catholicism, ‘the Lateran Cathedral of the Most Holy Saviour and of Saints John the Baptist and the Evangelist’ . Smaller than the better-known St Peter's, but pre-eminent as the foremost Papal Basilica;

Wednesday : St Martin of Tours who famously gave half his military cloak to a cold beggar—who turned out to be Jesus.

NOVEMBER DEAD LIST The Month of the Holy Souls is upon us. You'll find the customary envelope-and-slip at the back of church or outside the rectory door for your use. The names you note will form part of the parish Dead List, and particular prayers will be offered daily during the month of November. If you enclose a Mass Intention donation, then public Mass will be offered for those you list. Please get them back to the rectory somehow during the month. My thanks to those who have done so already.

Further thanks to the loving hands that have fashioned our “November Memorials” , honouring the war dead, but also those of our parish family who have died in the twelve months since last November. I have copied that list overleaf. On Sunday, God willing, I will visit those memorials and light candles and pray for those holy souls mentioned there.

On Sunday afternoon I hope at 2.30 to **visit the cemetery** and pray for the faithful departed lying at

rest there. Those who can join me are welcome.

HADFIELD TOTE Congrats to latest winners Steve Williamson (£30) and Val Gebbett (£20).

THE FIRST HOLY COMMUNIONS planned for the last three November Saturdays are sadly once again postponed.

PROMOTION It was good to hear that Jimmy Dickson has been promoted to be Knight Commander of the Equestrian Order of the Holy Sepulchre of Jerusalem. Congratulations, Jimmy!

THESE PARISHIONERS have 'gone before us, marked with the sign of faith' during the last twelve months:

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION, NEW YORK and ST MARGARET, GAMESLEY

	<i>Date of death</i>	<i>Name</i>
2020	3 Jan	Philip Love
	17 Jan	Ann Marie Percy
	20 June	Margaret George
	26 July	Eileen Mary Atherton
	6 Aug	Carole Murphy
	20 Aug	Linda Grogan

ST CHARLES, HADFIELD

2019	7 Nov	Mary Coakley
	22 Dec	John William Walsh
2020	15 Jan	Christine Anne Clayton
	8 Feb	Marion Robinson
	12 Feb	Norman John Mellor
	14 Apl	Christine Elliott
	16 Apl	James Michael Tierney
	24 Apl	Sheila Mary Doyle
	29 Apl	Mark Binks
	25 May	Anne Law
	10 Aug	Harold Shaw
	27 Sept	John Eusebius Moloney
	13 Sept	Stanley Davies
	28 Sept	Kevin Bernard Wilson
	29 Sept	Vincent Mark Gibson
20 Oct	Anne Phillips	

AND FINALLY a parishioner sought this prayer recently :

I live alone, dear Lord, stay by my side,
In all my daily needs be my guide.
Grant me good health, for that I pray,
To carry on my work from day to day.
Keep pure my mind, my thoughts, my every deed,
Let me be kind and unselfish in my neighbour's need.
Spare me from fire, from flood and
Malicious tongues,
From thieves, from fear, and evil ones.
If sickness or an accident befall,
Then humbly, Lord, I pray, hear my call.
And when I'm feeling low, or in despair,
Lift up my heart, and help me in my prayer.
I live alone, dear Lord, yet have no fear,
Because I feel Your presence ever near. Amen.