



ST. PATRICK'S CATHOLIC CHURCH

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THIRTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

3rd November 2024 AD

Year B (Psalter Week 3)

Welcome to St Patrick's Church. This week we welcome, once again, Deacon Craig Aburn as our preacher. Today's readings remind us to love God and to love our neighbour as ourselves. Jesus calls us to love God with all our heart, soul, mind and strength. Love is the very essence of the Christian faith. This love demands nothing less than everything and that is why it is the greatest commandment of all.

First Reading: Deteronomy 6:2-6 — *Listen, Israel: You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart*

Responsorial Psalm: **I love You, Lord, my strength.** (Psalm 17)

Second Reading: Hebrews 7:23-28 — *Because He remains for ever, Christ can never lose His priesthood*

Gospel Acclamation: **Alleluia, alleluia! Your words are spirit, Lord, and they are life: You have the message of eternal life. Alleluia!** (John 6:63, 68)

Gospel Reading: Mark 12:28-34 — *This is the first commandment. The second is like it*

Communion Antiphon: **You will show me the path of life, the fullness of joy in Your presence, O Lord.** (cf. Psalm 15:11)

| Day | Time | Service | Intention |
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| Sunday THIRTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME | 3rd November 10:00am 10:30am | Reconciliation (Confession) SUNG MASS | Ronald Robinson RIP |
| Tuesday Feria | 5th November 10:00am 12:00pm | Rosary Group Pastoral Area Clergy Meeting | |
| Wednesday Feria | 6th November 10:30am | Mass | |
| Thursday Feria | 7th November 10:30am | Mass Parish Visiting | |
| Friday Feria | 8th November 10:00am | Mass at St Joseph's, Havant | |
| Saturday Dedication of the Lateran Basilica | 9th November 5:00pm | Mass at St Thomas's, Emsworth | |
| Sunday REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY | 10th November 10:00am 10:30am 4:00pm | Reconciliation (Confession) SUNG MASS Abide With Me—Service of Reflection | The Fallen |



Prayers For The Sick: Wendy Field, Mary Webb, Joan Ramsbottom, Patricia Church, John Nowaczewski, Gilly Webster, Lily Jones, Charles Quaid, Peter van der Merwe, Rita Mead, David Miles, Pauline Green, Dominic Cosgrave, David Smith, Sarah Smith, Carolyn, Monica Peters, Gina Jackman, Sarah Ellis, David Reilly, Liam Brice, Maureen Cronin, Gerard Cronin. Bill McGill .

Of your charity, please pray for the repose of the souls of those recently departed:

And those whose Anniversaries occur at this time:

Dorothy Spurgeon, John Tanner, Maria Ridge (Mon) Joan Sandling (Wed) Teresa Henderson, Brendan, Gaffney (Thu)

PLEASE JOIN US IN THE PARISH HALL FOR TEA AND COFFEE AFTER MASS.
This is a time to gather and share fellowship with the family of God.

NOTICES:



Today is our Diocesan Bamenda Sunday. Our Diocese is twinned with the Archdiocese of Bamenda in Cameroon and at the end of Mass there will be a retiring collection for them. This year we mark a very special anniversary, namely its Golden Jubilee. Fifty years ago, Bishop Worlock and Bishop Verdzekov, of the then newly established Diocese of Bamenda, initiated the twinning as a practical demonstration of St Pope Paul VI's Vatican II document "Gaudium et Spes". Since 1974, the relationship has grown and strengthened. In the early years, priests from our Diocese worked in Bamenda, teaching the Faith, establishing parishes, schools, youth ministries, etc. Today, we have the great privilege of welcoming priests from Bamenda into our own parishes and we have much to thank God for. A core aspect of the twinning is the practical projects that have been funded through the over £1,000,000 that has been raised by our parishes, largely through the annual Bamenda Sunday collection. This source of funding remains an important and tangible part of the relationship. Bamenda (Cameroon) is ranked 151st on the UN's Human Development Index covering 193 countries. The UK is ranked 15th. Please give as generously as possible to the Bamenda Sunday collection, every penny will go directly to an approved project.



Next **Sunday 10th November** (Remembrance Sunday) there is **Mass at 10:30am** followed by **The Act of Remembrance**. Then at **4:00pm** there will be an extra service of reflection called **Abide With Me** with Hymns and Music and an opportunity to pray for Peace. Both in thanksgiving for what has been achieved and praying for an end to continued strife in Ukraine, Russia, Syria, Lebanon, Israel, Gaza and other parts of the world.



Our **next collection** will be on **10th November** (2nd Sunday of the month) - As this is also Remembrance Sunday please place donations at the side altar.



Catholic Women's League, Hayling Section Diamond Jubilee. This important celebration is to take place over the weekend of **23rd-24th November** beginning with **Mass at 11:30am on Saturday**. To avoid any misunderstanding we wish to point out that while the Saturday **Mass is open to all**, the get-together in the Hall following is strictly by invitation only, made up of current members and past members, not only from our own Hayling section, but from other parts of the country. Following the Sunday Mass all parishioners and visitors to the Mass are invited into the hall for the usual coffee/tea, nibbles and cakes and a glass of bubbly.



Repository - The CWL manage the Repository and proceeds from it are put to CWL charities which comprise children's charities, women's refuge, care of the homeless and overseas aid (Cafod, Aid to the Church in Need and Reaching the Unreached) and PACT (prison advice and care trust) and also local Hayling charities - Holiday Lunches and Voluntary Services. Christmas items are now available, cards, calendars and small gifts, all very reasonably priced. Hand-made angels for Christmas trees, you can add a small label with a child's name on it for them to hang on their Christmas tree. And of course the crosses in pockets remain popular and are very suitable to pop in with a Christmas card for a friend or family member.



Stella Maris - Knitting patterns available for woolly hats for the seafarers supported by Stella Maris. If you would like to knit some hats, patterns are available, queries can be directed to any CWL member or email Pauline on: paulinebrice979@gmail.com. Also, would you consider donating some items for Christmas? There is a box on top of the Repository cupboard for this purpose, items are: warm socks, fingerless gloves, men's toiletries and razors, sweets and chocolates (especially Toblerone) biscuits and small torches. Thank you in advance.



The Lions Club of Hayling Island will be holding a Christmas Tree Festival which is to be held here in **St Patrick's 23rd and 24th November** (1:00pm-6:00pm). Please tell your friends and neighbours all about it so that they may see the inside of this wonderful Church and may consider us for their Christmas celebrations. We would also like some volunteers to help us sell tea and coffee.



Christmas Singalong is back! On **8th December** in the Hall after the Mass. If you would like to join us, we are practicing on Saturdays at 3pm in the Hall, everyone is welcome, no experience necessary.



Still Standing On The Rock! They're back! Hayling Island's No. 1 Rock Band— *The Generation Game* will be performing Live from **7:30pm** at the **Hayling Island Community Centre on Friday 31st January 2025**. Tickets will be available soon. Please be sure to tell family, friends, and neighbours about this evening of fun, singing and dancing. As before, there will be three sets: **Rock, Country Rock** and **1950s Rock'n'Roll** as well as **Raffles** with great prizes. All proceeds to St Patrick's Church. Full details to follow—in the meantime **save the date, invite your friends and keep Rockin'!**

Church Hall Should you wish to book the Church Hall please telephone Denzil on 07791 776148