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*Use it or lose it!! This could be a contemporary statement on this weekends Gospel reading. The point of the parable is not to compare the different gifts received by different people, but to urge each of us to use whatever gifts and energies we have in the service of Gods kingdom. Today is the last Sunday of Ordinary time. Next week we celebrate the feast day of Christ the King which marks the end of the liturgical year. The feast of Christ the King has been designated for many years now as National Youth Sunday. To mark this our primary school will be leading the 5:30pm Mass next weekend and one of our own young people will give a short talk on the Kenelm Youth Trust run by the Archdiocese of Birmingham. I would want to encourage you to attend this Mass with our young people and families. (Even if you are an 8am stalwart!!) Speaking of the 8am Mass, it is good that bacon butties and hot drinks are back on the menu afterwards. I hope some of you will avail of this opportunity to meet after Mass and have breakfast and a chat. I also hope that you taken the opportunity to put the names of your beloved faithful departed in the box at the back of the Church so we can remember them at our annual parish requiem on the 30th November. With so much going on I have expanded the Parish office hours. Further details next week! With every blessing for the week ahead, Fr Andy.*

**Sunday 19th November 2017**  
**THIRTY THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY**  
**TIME**

**PARISH NEWS ITEMS**

THANKS AND GOOD WISHES  
 News travels fast and by now, many of you will be aware that Sr. Angela has decided that the time has come to leave Whitnash and return to the sisters at Selly Park. Of course, we are all sad to lose her and will miss her - it would be difficult to quantify the value she has been to the parish over the twelve years she has been labouring in our vineyard. We have been very fortunate to have been blessed with her energetic and cheerful love of the Lord...and many souls have been eased by her faithful care. **SO....** There will be an opportunity to say goodbye and thank you and many other things on Sunday 17th December after the 5.30pm Mass **in the hall. We'll have** time to talk over tea and coffee - *please bring a plate of something for the sharing table!*

Let us keep the sick and the housebound of our parish in our prayers

Edna Hales, Sue Cleary, Shelagh Price, Jenny Bamber, Hollie Sauvage, Maureen Cowell, Suzanna King, Michael Gallagher, Enda McSharry, Eileen Hiorns, Patricia Robinson, Brendan Patterson, Mario Fasi, Lena La Spisa

The Lawns Mary Behan, Rosa Venetico, John L'Estrange, Kathleen Hammond, Bridget Hunt  
 Clarence House Winifred Galvin  
 Clarendon Manor Mary Craig, Marie Kelly, Sally Lamont  
 Castle Brook Angele Handford, Christina Kelly  
 Galanos House Marjorie Smedley, Frances Lovell

Taking Communion to the Sick and the Housebound: Many thanks to those who have agreed to take Communion to parishioners no longer able to attend Mass. This is a very important ministry in the parish and is so much appreciated by those visited with the Sacrament. There will be a short meeting **STRAIGHT AFTER THE 5.30PM MASS TODAY** for all the volunteers, when you will be given details of the particular person you will be visiting and some guidance about the procedure of taking Communion to the housebound.

Lectio Divina: For Advent, Lectio will move into the hall, and will be weekly, starting on Friday 1st December at 10.00am. All are welcome to this gentle look at the coming **Sunday's Gospel.**

**Today's 2nd Collection:** As part of our collaborative ministry, the three churches of Leamington are holding a collection today for Christmas toys for needy families over the whole area, notified to us by Social Services. In Whitnash, we will continue the tradition of putting gifts under the tree through Advent, to be distributed for Christmas. Parishioners here are known for their generosity and I am grateful for your support of this scheme. **Weekday Mass:** As you know, we always have Communion under both kinds but on weekdays this has only been offered from one chalice, usually on the left hand side of the church. This can be confusing and so last week we started to use two chalices, as we do on Sunday. If Fr. Ramunes is present, he and I will distribute the host and I am hoping that an extra eucharistic minister will join the current volunteer, depending who is in the congregation. If this proves to be complicated, we may have to generate a rota— lets see if we can make it work without. Please just step up if you see the need.

NEXT WEEK 19.11. 17	Reader	Eucharistic Ministers
8.00am	June Arran	Jill Sheard, Jan Ireson, Liam Kearns
5.30pm Youth Mass	Young People	Tony Harris, Pam Hamilton, Hilary Callow



*This week Our Lady's 7 Day candle burns for Lennie and June Arran*

THIRTY THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

<b>Saturday 18 November</b> <b>VIGIL</b>	OL SP	12.30 pm 5.00 pm	Each Mass in November has an intention for the Holy Souls (HS) Babs Dunbar + HS Simon & Kevin Daly Frederick & Dona Plummer + HS Kate Briddon	<b>Confessions:</b> <b>OL:</b> 11.45am <b>SP:</b> 4.15pm
<b>Sunday 19 November</b> <b>Thirty Second Sunday in Ordinary Time A</b>	SJ OL SP SJ	8.00 am 9.30 am 11.30 am 5.30 pm	Noel & Elizabeth McGrath + HS Tara Fitzpatrick + HS Jose Pedro + HS Thanksgiving 50th Wedding Anniversary Michael John Murphy RIP+ HS	<b>Exposition &amp; Holy Hour</b> <b>SP:</b> 3.00-4.00pm
<b>Monday 20 November</b> <i>Feria</i>	SP SJ	10.00 am 7.00 pm	John Stephens + HS Holy Souls	<b>SJ:</b> Mass with Novena to Our Lady
<b>Tuesday 21 November</b> <i>Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary</i>	SJ SP	9.30 am 12.30 pm	Paula Wood RIP Eileen Murphy + HS	<b>Rosary:</b> <b>SJ</b> 9.10am; <b>SP</b> Noon
<b>Wednesday 22 November</b> <i>St Cecilia</i>	Sch Sch OL SP	9.00 am 9.30 am 12.00 pm 12.30 pm	Trinity School St Anthony's School Babs Dunbar+ HSMike Murphy + HS	<b>Rosary:</b> <b>SP</b> Noon
<b>Thursday 23 November</b> <i>Feria</i>	SP SJ	12.30 pm 7.00 pm	Cherie Gilbride + HS Paula Wood RIP	<b>Rosary:</b> <b>SP</b> Noon
<b>Friday 24 November</b> <i>St Andrew &amp; Companions</i>	SJ OL SP SJ	9.30am 12.00 pm 12.30 pm 12.30pm	Molly Murray & Brian Hughes Eileen Lawless + HS Molly Murray & Brian Hughes + HS Requiem Mass for Michael Maguire followed by burial at Leamington Cemetery	<b>SJ:</b> Mass with Novena to the Sacred Heart <b>Rosary:</b> <b>SJ:</b> 9.10am <b>SP:</b> Noon <b>Exposition: SP</b> 11.00am
<b>Saturday 25 November</b> <i>Feria</i> <b>VIGIL</b>	SJ SP OL SP	9.30 am 10.00 am 12.30 pm 5.00 pm	People of the Parish Deceased of Burns Family + HS Vito La Barbera Glyn & Rose Clark + HS John & Kitty Lucey + HS Caroline Maguire	<b>SJ:</b> 9.15am Morning Prayer <b>Confessions:</b> <b>SP:</b> 9.15am & 4.15pm; <b>SJ:</b> 10.00; <b>OL:</b> 11.45am <b>Exposition:</b> <b>SP:</b> 9.00; <b>SJ:</b> 10.00am
<b>Sunday 26 November</b> <b>Solemnity of Christ the King</b> <b>** Youth Sunday.**</b>	SJ OL SP SJ	8.00 am 9.30 am 11.30 am 5.30 pm	Frances Lovell RIP Margaret Fitzmaurice Marie Chiznall Bernard W. Drury Vito La Barbera Babs Dunbar Patterson Family: In thanksgiving	<b>Exposition &amp; Rosary</b> <b>SP:</b> 3.00-4.00pm followed by Fatima statue procession to Parish Centre.

**Breakfast at St. Joseph's:** As from today, our bacon butty breakfasts will be served after 8.00am Mass. All are welcome.

News from the School: St. Joseph's PTFA are busy planning for their Christmas Fair which will be held at the school on Sunday 10th December from 3pm till 5pm. We would be delighted to have parish members join us for the event

Piety Shop: Do have a look at the Christmas goods which have just come in and there is a Christmas Raffle to win a Nativity Shed and ornaments on display in the narthex or back porch, tickets £1.50 each (to be drawn on Sunday 10th December)

Key or Combination Number Holders: Our records are in the process of being updated. Hazel has spoken to many people already and recorded names and contact details but If you have a key or a combination number and Hazel has not contacted you, please would you either see her or telephone the office?

If anyone is considering the Caretaker/Cleaner job for the hall, do have a talk to Fr. Andy.

CAFOD World Gifts: Do take a catalogue home from the narthex. So many of our family and friends have no particular need for gifts and would relish the concept of helping others in developing communities and, lets face it, a Happy Queen Bee @ £4 has got to be more exciting than socks!

BAPTISM

Olivia Fern Haggan  
Sunday 3rd December at  
12 Noon

ANNIVERSARIES

Michael Murphy, Elizabeth Hales, Brian McCann, William Markham,  
David Carr  
May they rest in peace

RECENTLY DECEASED

Frances Lovell: Frances was a parishioner of St. Joseph's and died in Southam on 13th November. We offer our sympathies and condolences to her family. Her Requiem Mass will be at 9.30am on Friday 8th December at St. Joseph's, followed by cremation at Oakley Wood.

Also Mary Darby: Mary died on 2nd November in Warwick Hospital and we offer our sympathies and condolences to her children and the extended family. Her reception into church will be on Tuesday 5th December at 5.00pm and her Requiem Mass will be on Wednesday 6th December at 9.30am followed by cremation at Oakley Wood at 11.00am  
May they rest in peace and rise in glory

THE COMING WEEK IN THE PARISH

Sun: 2nd Coll: Parish Christmas Toy Appeal  
Bacon Sandwiches, after 8.00am Mass  
5.30pm Meeting of Volunteers  
Mon: 8.00pm Dancing  
Tues: No Tuesday Club  
Wed: 9.30-11.30pm Art Group  
7.30pm Choir Practice  
Thurs: Church Cleaning - Team 2  
No Music Group  
4.30pm Finance Meeting  
7.00pm Weight Watchers  
Fri: 5.30pm Karate  
Sat: 7.30 , 9.30 +11.30am Slimming World  
Sun: 2nd Coll: Catholic Youth Services

LAST WEEK  
12.11.17

Offertory Collection:  
£540.75  
Many thanks.

2nd Collection: Parish Maintenance  
£232.36

Attendance  
249

