

**THIRTIETH SUNDAY
OF ORDINARY TIME**

Reading Cycle A
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Psalter Week 2
Sunday 25TH OCT 2026
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MASSES AND SERVICES FOR THE WEEK

SAT	24 TH OCT	30 TH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME	6.00pm	Tony Ballard R.I.P Wanda and Jan Barczyk R.I.P
SUN	25 TH OCT		10.00am	Special Intention
MON	26 TH OCT	Weekday in Ordinary Time	10.00am	Well being of Leon Figueri
TUES	27 TH OCT	Weekday in Ordinary Time	10.00am	Well being of Philip Brocklebank
WED	28 TH OCT	NO MASS		
THURS	29 TH OCT	Weekday in Ordinary Time	10.00am	Special Intention
FRI	30 TH OCT	NO MASS		
SAT	31 ST OCT	SOLEMNITY OF ALL SAINTS	6.00pm	Joseph Moore R.I.P
SUN	1 ST NOV		10.00am	Deceased members of the Sexton and Cowley Families

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK, ANNIVERSARIES AND THOSE WHO HAVE RECENTLY DIED:

Let us pray for the repose of the soul of all those who have passed away recently. May they rest in eternal peace,
This week we also pray for Jeremiah Driscoll (1982), Marion Lawler, Reginald Hartley (1983) Dorothy Hopkins (1987), Brogan Darlington, Kathleen Burke (1988), Agnes Bevan, Peter Harten (1989), Wilfred Flower (1990), Richard Alderman, Marguerite Holdham, Fr Patrick Crowley (1991), George Driscoll (1992), Peter Tanti (1994), Arthur Hayes (1996), Hilda Sullivan (1997), Dwain Coulthard (2000), Phyllis Harris (2001), James Evans (2002), Rose Conway (2003), Theresa Harding (2004), James Curtis (2009), James McCarthy (2010), Brian Williams, Edward Wilson (2013), Jacek Grzybowski (2014), Margaret Bell (2016), Peter Fury, Harry Lucas (2018), Leonard Day, Gloria Karvouniaris (2019), Martin Fitzsimmonds (2020), and all whose anniversaries we remember at this time.
We pray for those in our families or in our Parish Community who may be sick, housebound, worried or in need. We ask that the Love of the Lord be with them during the coming week.

CANDLES You can buy a 7 day candle (£5.00) which will be left at the Sacred Heart or Our Lady's Altar for the duration of a week. **This week candles will be lit for the Well Being of Philip Brocklebank and Ted and Brenda Wilson**

SECOND COLLECTION NEXT WEEKEND FOR THE SICK AND RETIRED CLERGY

PARISH CHRISTMAS EVENT: This will be on Sunday November 29th after the 10.00am Mass. It will be in the Grange Pavilion. It is free, but will be a ticketed event as numbers are restricted. Chris will be taking names this weekend.

NOVEMBER; MONTH OF REMEMBRANCE: There are envelopes at the back of the Church for you to place the names you would like remembered during this month. Please place your envelopes in the basket near the altar.

OCTOBER IS THE MONTH OF THE HOLY ROSARY: There is also a link on the Parish Website which will lead you in saying the Rosary.

REGISTRATION FOR THE SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION: THIS IS FOR YOUNG PEOPLE IN YEAR 8 AND ABOVE. PLEASE COLLECT A REGISTRATION FORM FROM CHRIS GERMAN.

PIETY STALL: Cards, Rosaries, candles and lots more. Many at reduced prices. Come and look

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION. Anyone who would like to receive this Sacrament please the priest after any of the Masses. There are guidance leaflets at the back of the Church.

“THE CHOSEN” is a groundbreaking, multi-season historical drama series about the life and ministry of Jesus of Nazareth, seen through the eyes of those who met him. Download the link <https://watch.thechosen.tv/> and start at series 1. Well worth watching.

SUNDAY SERMON FROM BISHOP ROBERT BARRON: See the link on the Parish website. These are thought provoking and only last about 14-15 minutes.

PARISH WEBSITE: This is updated every day. There is the reading for the day, and a reflection, the latest newsletter, times of Masses as well as other things. There is also a link to the online stream. Find out more, www.stpatrickscardiff.co.uk

MASS INTENTIONS At the back of the Church there are envelopes for you to put your donation and the details of when you would like a Mass and for whom. Please indicate if the person is deceased.

SAFEGUARDING: Helplines on the Parish Website and on the Parish Noticeboard First Aid Box is in the Sacristy.

GOING INTO HOSPITAL? Let the Hospital know that you are a Catholic and would like a visit from the Chaplain. If you are a relative and would like the Catholic Hospital Chaplain to make a visit please leave the name of the person you want them to see and Ward details if possible. Chaplaincy 02921 843230 Please leave your contact details.

HOUSEBOUND COMMUNIONS: If you know of a parishioner wishing to receive Holy Communion contact Canon Mike.

CHURCH COLLECTIONS: 11th OCTOBER £ 684.50

WEEKLY MESSAGE

Today Jesus is asking us to love God wholeheartedly. God should be first and foremost in our lives. In addition, Jesus also tells us to “love our neighbour as we love ourselves.” Both commandments are challenging. However, the instruction to love our neighbour as we love ourselves we may find more challenging than the first commandment! This second commandment often stretches us in uncomfortable ways.

First of all, who is our neighbour? It is not just the person who lives next door to us. In this context it is anyone with whom we come into contact. It is easy to love people who love us or who we like, but what if it is someone we do not like, or someone who may have wounded us, insulted us or ignored us?

The emotion we experience with this individual most likely is far from being ‘loving.’

It is very hard to move past the negative feelings we feel. On the news every day we hear of people being involved in a conflict somewhere: even in our own locality this happens.

Yet, Jesus calls us to love each and every person we encounter: the ones we like as well as those we prefer to keep our distance from. Often we have to fight against the instinct to lash out if we have been hurt in some way, maybe to seek revenge. But getting our own back is not what Jesus is asking us to do.

It is not the Second Commandment.

Today let us strive to keep Jesus’ call in our minds and hearts. Let us consciously strive to love each and every person we encounter, no matter how we feel about them.

Who knows: we may encounter someone who consciously may be striving to love us!

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“How was your blind date?” a college student asked he twenty-one – year old roommate.

“Terrible” she moaned “He showed up in his 1932 Rolls-Royce “

“Wow! That’s a very expensive car. What’s so bad about that?”

“He was the original owner.”

A photographer wanted to take some aerial shots of the countryside and so he booked a flight with the local aerodrome. On arrival he was directed to the runway and told that the plane was waiting for him. Seeing a light aircraft with its engine running, he climbed in and told the pilot “Let’s go.”

Shortly after take-off, the photographer said “Now, if you can come in low over that lake, I’ll be able to take some nice pictures “

“Why do you want to do that?” asked the pilot

“It’s my job. I’m a photographer.”

“Oh” said the pilot, ashen faced. “So you’re not the flight instructor?”

