

**THIRTY FIRST SUNDAY
OF ORDINARY TIME**

Reading Cycle A
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Psalter Week 3
Sunday 1ST NOVEMBER 2026
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MASSES AND SERVICES FOR THE WEEK

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
MON	2 ND NOV	COMMEMORATION OF ALL THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED	10.00am	Bernard Barrett R.I.P
TUES	3 RD NOV	ST MARTIN DE PORRES	10.00am	Deceased of the Parish
WED	4 TH NOV	MEMORIAL OF ST CHARLES BORROMEO	10.00am	Stella and Martyn R.I.P
THURS	5 TH NOV	Weekday in Ordinary Time	10.00am	Holy Souls
FRI	6 TH NOV	NO MASS		
SAT	7 TH NOV	THIRTY SECOND SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY	6.00pm	All those who lost their lives in War
SUN	8 TH NOV		9.30am	

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 Paul Mackie, Robert Young (1983), George Stuart (1984), Joseph O'Reilly, May Roche (1985), Peter Harten, Winifred O'Brien (1989), Frederick Warner, Fr William Browne (1990), Marguerite Holdham (1991), David Jeremy (1994), Martha Deans (1995), Phyllis Harris, Hugh Mackie (2001), Thomas Murphy (2002), Kevin Counsell (2003), Dominic Cardinale, Mary O'Sullivan (2006), Paul Sexton (2008), Frederick Psaila (2012), Edward Wilson (2013), Fr Donal Gillespie (2014), James O'Brien, Bill Watt (2017), John Driscoll, Joan Charles, Fr Michael Cronin (2018), Anthony Murray, Fr Michael Rohan (2020), Betty Casella (2022), Bahia Feal, Susan Crabtree (2023), 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 Deceased of the Parish**

MASS NEXT SUNDAY WILL START AT 9.30AM. Remembrance Service in Grange Gardens starting at 10.45am

SECOND COLLECTION THIS 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. **Raffle tickets will be on sale.** £1.00 a strip. (£100 first prize, £75 second prize, £25 third prize, lots of other prizes.)

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.

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; 18th OCTOBER £ 626.81 25th OCTOBER £565.80

WEEKLY MESSAGE FROM CANON MIKE

I've always said that November is a very Catholic month. A time we remember and pray for those “ Whose life is changed not ended” . We believe they have gone before us and one day we will be re-united in the Great Banquet of Heaven.

Many people have asked me “*What is it like to die? What and where is Heaven? Will we meet Our Lord once again?*” Questions I can't answer as I've not died! You may ask 1) Do you believe this ? 2) Why do you believe it ? I suppose the simple answer is Faith and Trust. Faith and Trust in the words of Jesus

*“ I am the Resurrection and the Life. Anyone who believes in Me will have eternal life.
For today you will be with Me in Paradise.”*

Sunday is 1st November, when we remember all the Saints, (those officially recognised and those thousands of people who have not) This day is followed on Monday by Feast of All Souls. Hopefully you will be able to join me on those days, but if you are unable to come to Mass you can unite yourselves with the Holy Souls in silent prayer.

When I visit the family graves in Neath, I have this urge to physically hold my parents and other family members and friends, but though I can't, I feel I'm at one with them and they with me.

I “walk in the presence of the family of the Lord in the Land of the Living”, not in the Land of the Dead, the land of no hope, but the Land of the Living on the other side of the Promised Land.

At most funerals, my Father gets a mention, so I'll mention him again today. When I officiated at his Funeral Mass, as he was a bus conductor, I said “ Dad was on an early bus, but I'll be on a later one. The problem being I don't know the timetable.”

You and I know that one day that bus will arrive. For those who have no Faith it's a Mystery Tour, but for us, it's a journey to the Land of Canaan -- the Promised Land.

I'll let you into a secret: as a land owner of a plot of land in Neath Cemetery, my place of rest is my waiting room, awaiting the return of the Risen Lord on the last day. My Mother and Father are there and I've decided to put only two words on the grave stone:
“And Michael” PS. Maybe a little red bus on the bottom.

Rest in Peace everyone, Pray for us as we'll pray for you



Two old ladies met in the street. After enquiring about each other's health, the topic of conversation turned to their respective husbands. “Oh” said one “George died last week. He went out into the garden to dig up a cabbage for dinner, had a heart attack and dropped dead in the middle of the vegetable patch” “Oh my!” said the other “What did you do?” “I opened a can of peas instead”.

