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THIRTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME – B (OCTOBER 27, 2024)

Entrance Antiphon: **Let the hearts that seek the Lord rejoice:
turn to the Lord and his strength;
constantly seek his face.**

Response to the Psalm: **What marvels the Lord worked for us!
Indeed we were glad.**

Gospel Acclamation: **I am the light of the world, says the Lord,
anyone who follows me will have the light of life.**

Communion Antiphon: **Christ loved us and gave himself up for us,
as a fragrant offering to God.**

SUNDAY MASS TIMES

6.00pm (Sat) 9.00am, 10.30am

CONFESSIONS

Saturday: 9.30am – 10am and 5pm - 5.30pm

THIS WEEK'S MASS TIMES AND INTENTIONS

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| SUNDAY (Sat) | 06.00pm | Mass – Melwyn Fernandes (Intention) |
| | 09.00am | Mass – Merveny Crasto (Intention) |
| | 10.30am | Mass – Mary Fernandes (Intention) Manuel Fernandes (RIP) Idaline Menezes (RIP) |
| Monday | NO MASS | |
| Tuesday | 09.00am | Mass - Marianinha Fernandes (RIP) Dennis and Belmira Sanches (Wedding Anniversary) |
| Wednesday | 09.00am | Mass - Manuel de Araujo (Intention) Pasqual Nicaul Fernandes (RIP) |
| Thursday | 09.00am | Mass - Azeliah Divine Fernandes (Intention) |
| Friday | FEAST OF ALL SAINTS | |
| | 09.00am | Mass - Souls of the Fernandes family Shayne De Araujo (Intention) |
| | 06.00pm | Mass - Frank Croston (RIP) Kenrich Dias (Int) |

SUNDAY MASS TIMES AND INTENTIONS (NOVEMBER 3, 2024)

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| SUNDAY (Sat) | 06.00pm | Mass – Deceased members of the Blaj and Farcasi families Glenn Gonsalves (Intention) |
| | 09.00am | Mass – Lucia Cerroni (Anniversary) Daniella Fernandes (Intention) Mark Crasto and Eliska De Souza (wedding Anniversary) |
| | 10.30am | Mass – Ignatius Rodrigues (RIP) Dennis Sanches (Intention) |

Church cleaning every Friday, after the Morning Mass. Your help would be much appreciated

MASS TIMES: Due to the increased number of people coming to St Marys we are adding one Mass on Sunday. From beginning of Advent (1st December) there will be four weekend Masses at St Marys. Saturday 6pm, Sunday 8am, 9.30am and 11am.

THERE WILL BE NO EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT on this Wednesday 30th October.

APPOINTMENT: Father Michael has been appointed Canon of Clifton Diocese. Canon Michael's Mass of Installation will be Celebrated by Bishop Bosco and Con-Celebrated by the Cathedral Chapter on Wednesday 30th October at Clifton Cathedral at 12noon. All are welcome to attend the Mass. If you would like to attend, a coach has been arranged. It will leave St Marys at 10am. To reserve a seat, please put £5 in an envelope provided, with your name and phone number written on the outside of the envelope and hand it to one of the Priests or Deacons. The Mass on the 30th will be shown live on the Clifton Cathedral website and a recording will be available for 5 days afterwards, <https://cliftoncathedral.org/stream>

ALL SAINTS DAY: Friday is the Feast of All Saints and there will be two Masses at St Marys that day at 9am and 6pm.

BOOK OF REMEMBRANCE: During the month of November we remember all those who have died. The book of remembrance will be at the front of the Church from this weekend. On the first page of the book are the names of those whose funerals have been in our parish in the past year. Please add the names of those you wish to be remembered in prayer.

BAPTISM: We welcome into the family of the Church Theodore Davis who is being baptised this weekend.

GIFT AID ENVELOPES: The new Gift Aid yellow envelopes (for tax payers) for 2024/25 are ready to collect from the Sacristy. Please ensure you take your correct box as they are all numbered. Non-Gift Aiders (non-tax payers) please take a box of green envelopes.

ST CATHERINE'S CATHOLIC NURSERY: St Catherine's is a teacher led nursery, fully integrated into St. Catherine's Primary school. We work with children from 3 years old - following the Early Years Curriculum and setting them up for success, whichever school they move on to. If you would like to arrange a visit to look around our nursery, please email: admin@stcatherines.swindon.sch.uk or phone 01793 822699.

BLESSING OF GRAVES

Kingsdown - Sunday 3rd November 1:00 pm.

Whitworth Road - Sunday 3rd November 2:00 pm

Stratton - Sunday 10th November 2:00 pm

FIRST COMMUNION & CONFIRMATION 2025: Many parishioners are asking about First Communion and Confirmation in 2025. Enrolment for the sacraments will be in November and December 2024 and the Catechesis will begin in January.

SWINDON FOOD COLLECTIVE: Each week parishioners donate to Swindon Food Bank. We are in need of Parishioners who would go on the rota to deliver to the food bank in West Swindon. If you are able to help please speak to Fr Michael.

SWINDON FOOD COLLECTIVE: Many thanks to all those who contribute to Swindon food bank. Any donations can be left in the basket at the back of the Church.

GIFT AID DONATIONS: Anyone who wishes to start donating weekly/ monthly either through Gift Aid envelopes or direct debit/ Standing order/ through offertory envelope donations order may ask for a form or speak to Fr. Michael or contact the Parish Office.

PARISH OFFERTORY: Last week the offertory collection came to £ 1375.10 and £500 in standing orders. Many thanks for your generosity.

OUR LADY OF FATIMA: The Parish statue of our Lady of Fatima is available for people to take to their home for prayer and for special occasions. For booking contact: **Natasha Vas** on Mobile 07720982226 after 4.30pm until 8pm.

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS all those who are sick especially: Peter Hazel, Anna Tickner, Peadar Heffron, Sheila Hughes, Christopher and Cath Brown, Julia Harrison, Lena Watson, Cheryl Dawson, Louise Stacey, Irena Fliska, John Ruck, Emmanuella Ruck, Bill O'Donnell, Elizabeth McGill, Andrew McCarthy, Marie Lowe, Gill Young, Peggy Notley, Dawn Connolly-Williams, Andrew Stacey, Pat Fox, Caroline Borg, Nellie Blake

*"Today Christ is asking each of you the same question: do you love Me?..
He is asking you to love Him. All the rest will ensue."*

- St. Pope John Paul II

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

THIRTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

First reading

Jeremiah 31:7-9

A reading from the prophet Jeremiah

The Lord says this:

Shout with joy for Jacob!
Hail the chief of nations!
Proclaim! Praise! Shout:
'The Lord has saved his people,
the remnant of Israel!'
See, I will bring them back
from the land of the North
and gather them from the far ends of earth;
all of them: the blind and the lame,
women with child, women in labour:
a great company returning here.
They had left in tears,
I will comfort them as I lead them back;
I will guide them to streams of water,
by a smooth path where they will not stumble.
For I am a father to Israel,
and Ephraim is my first-born son.

The word of the Lord.

Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 125(126)

*What marvels the Lord worked for us!
Indeed we were glad.*

When the Lord delivered Zion from bondage,
it seemed like a dream.
Then was our mouth filled with laughter,
on our lips there were songs.

The heathens themselves said: 'What marvels
the Lord worked for them!'
What marvels the Lord worked for us!
Indeed we were glad.

Deliver us, O Lord, from our bondage
as streams in dry land.
Those who are sowing in tears
will sing when they reap.

They go out, they go out, full of tears,
carrying seed for the sowing;
they come back, they come back, full of song,
carrying their sheaves.

Second reading

Hebrews 5:1-6

A reading from the letter to the Hebrews

Every high priest has been taken out of mankind and is appointed to act for men in their relations with God, to offer gifts and sacrifices for sins; and so he can sympathise with those who are ignorant or uncertain because he too lives in the limitations of weakness. That is why he has to make sin offerings for himself as well as for the people. No one takes this honour on himself, but each one is called by God, as Aaron was. Nor did Christ give himself the glory of becoming high priest, but he had it from the one who said to him: You are my son, today I have become your father, and in another text: You are a priest of the order of Melchizedek, and for ever.

The word of the Lord.

Gospel Acclamation

Jn8:12

Alleluia, alleluia!

I am the light of the world, says the Lord;
anyone who follows me will have the light of life.

Alleluia!

Gospel

Mark 10:46-52

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Mark

As Jesus left Jericho with his disciples and a large crowd, Bartimaeus (that is, the son of Timaeus), a blind beggar, was sitting at the side of the road. When he heard that it was Jesus of Nazareth, he began to shout and to say, 'Son of David, Jesus, have pity on me.' And many of them scolded him and told him to keep quiet, but he only shouted all the louder, 'Son of David, have pity on me.' Jesus stopped and said, 'Call him here.' So they called the blind man. 'Courage,' they said 'get up; he is calling you.' So throwing off his cloak, he jumped up and went to Jesus. Then Jesus spoke, 'What do you want me to do for you?' 'Rabbuni,' the blind man said to him 'Master, let me see again.' Jesus said to him, 'Go; your faith has saved you.' And immediately his sight returned and he followed him along the road.

The Gospel of the Lord.