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THIRTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME, YEAR B, 17 NOVEMBER 2024

MASS SCHEDULE

Monday - Thursday
No public Mass

Friday - 9.30am

Sunday
6pm (Saturday Vigil, Polish)
10.30am (English)

CONFESSION

Saturday 10.00am (After Mass)

or call to make an appointment.

World Day of the Poor

This Sunday is World Day of the Poor. The Gospel requires us to have a “preferential option for the poor” – that is, as St. Paul noted, constantly “remember the poor” (Gal 2:10) and do all we can to supply their needs, knowing that God will amply reward those who do so.

Let us remember the challenging and inspiring words of the Catechism of the Catholic Church: “Those who hold goods for use and consumption should use them with moderation, reserving the better part for guests, for the sick and the poor” (CCC paragraph no. 2405).

It is also good to keep in mind that there are many forms of poverty, and not all have to do with material things.

Please note that there is no Saturday am Mass this coming week.

Assisted Suicide Bill

A bill that would legalise assisted suicide in England & Wales is going through Parliament on 29th Nov. If it passes, it would probably lead to the introduction of euthanasia also in Scotland.

The Catholic Church is consistent and clear in its condemnation of assisted suicide or any form of euthanasia. **Despite the good intentions of many of those who advocate for it, it is always contrary to the law of God**, which forbids the intentional killing of a human being in order to alleviate suffering. Euthanasia is in fact “murder gravely contrary to the dignity of the human person and to the respect due to the living God, his Creator” (Catechism of the Catholic Church, para. no. 2277).

Please help prevent the introduction of euthanasia in Britain by sending a petition card to your MP. Lord David Alton writes: “I have spoken to several MPs and colleagues agree that one of the most effective ways to urge MPs to oppose this dangerous Bill is through physical letters or postcards from constituents asking them to vote ‘no’ to the Bill. **So please take a petition card from the back of the church and send it into your MP as soon as possible.** Remember to sign it. The deadline for posting is Fri/Sat this coming week.

First Holy Communion

We will begin First Holy Communion classes in January 2025.

Parents/guardians are invited to register for the course children who will be 8 or older in June 2025, who have not made their first Holy Communion.

A registration form will be available next week.

A projected date for first Holy Communion is around Corpus Christi, 22nd June 2025

SAINTS DAYS & SPECIAL OBSERVANCES THIS WEEK

Monday 18th November
Dedication of the Basilicas of SS. Peter and Paul in Rome

Tuesday 19th November
Ordinary weekday

Wednesday 20th November
Ordinary weekday

Thursday 21st November
Presentation of the Bl. Virgin Mary in the Temple (mem)

Friday 22nd November
St. Cecilia, Virgin & Martyr (m)

Saturday 23rd November
St. Clement I, Pope & Martyr (m)

Sunday 24th November
Solemnity of Christ the King