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THE ARCHDIOCESE
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THIRTY—THIRD
SUNDAY IN
ORDINARY TIME
18th November to
26th November
2023

Welcome to this House
of God:
Talk to God before Mass
Listen to God during Mass
Talk to others after Mass

Today's Mass
Readings
Proverbs
31:10-13, 19-20,
30-31; Ps 127;
1 Thessalonians
5:1-6;
Matthew
25:14-30
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Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ.

One of Jesus' most significant parables regarding the gifts that he gives us is set in the context of investments. A rich man delegates the management of his wealth to his servants. He gives five talents to the first servant, two talents to the second, and one talent to the third. Two of the servants earn 100 percent returns by trading with the funds, but the third servant hides the money in the ground and earns nothing. The rich man returns and rewards the two who made money, but severely punishes the servant who did nothing.

God has given each person a wide variety of gifts. He expects us to employ those gifts in his service. Like the three servants, we do not have gifts of the same degree. The return that God expects of us is proportionate with the gifts we have been given. The servant who received one talent was not condemned for failing to reach the five-talent goal. He was condemned because he did nothing with what he was given. The gifts we receive from God include skills, abilities, relationships, social positions, education, experiences, and more. We are to use whatever we have been given for God's purposes.

God does not endow people with identical or necessarily equal gifts and God does not expect identical or necessarily equal results from everyone's work. It's important to observe that both servants invest for the benefit of their master, and they return to him not only his original investment, but also what they make on his behalf. It is a privilege to be entrusted with talents, resources, and opportunities to work toward God's purposes in the world. May we use his gifts to the best of our ability.

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**Safeguarding
Officers**Thomas and Usha
Braich**PRAY FOR OUR SICK PARISHIONERS**

Mary Arulandhu, Annette Keates, Lynne Mary Allan, Arthur Lynch, Anis Kazmie, Brendan Grogan, Bernie Mortlock, Catherine Freeman, Claire Harbutt, Carmen Mulholland, Christine Enid and John King, Joyce Finch, Debbie Ferris, Diane Liddell, Margaret and David Curtis, David Quigley, Christine McGivern, Teresa Goddard, Bridget Green, Haydee Stanton, Linda Lowe, Jackie Tammam, Janet Chamberlain, Rudolf and Irene Sampays, Grace Sharron, Bridget Whitfield and Patricia Lacey.

RECENTLY DEAD AND ANNIVERSARIES

Please remember all those who have died recently. We also remember Una Green, Ned Callaghan, Patrick Killcullen, Lou Davis, Mary Greaves, Monica Humphreys, Joe Henderson, Rita Glassup, Bryn Howells, James Martin, Philip Monksmith, Anthony Donaghey, Frank Brennan, Annie Sedley, Aleksander Sarnowski, Maurice Hughes, John Cremin, Hilda Lively, Dominic Callaghan, Joseph McManus, William Dorgan, and all whose anniversaries occur at this time.

SAFEGUARDING SUNDAY

This weekend 18th / 19th November is Safeguarding Sunday across the Archdiocese of Birmingham. It is an awareness raising campaign organised by the Christian safeguarding charity Thirtyone:eight. The Safeguarding Officers for this parish are Thomas and Usha Braich and they can be contacted via the Parish Office or on 0121 230 6240/ safeguarding@rcaob.org.uk. There is information available in the Church Porch regarding safeguarding and also via the Diocesan website. The Parish operates in accordance with Statutory Safeguarding Guidance and the National and Archdiocese's policies and procedures at all times.

WORLD YOUTH SUNDAY

World Youth Sunday is celebrated on the Feast of Christ the King, which this year is 26th November. In Lisbon the Pope Francis invites the global Church to celebrate and pray for young people. In Lisbon this year, Pope Francis told young people that "Jesus' door is always open: Come and See!" There are several World Youth Day resources available here: <https://worldyouthsunday.org/wyd2023>.

<p align="center">This Week Saturday 18th November – Sunday 26th November (Psalter Week 1)</p>	<p align="center">Holy Mass Intentions</p>	<p align="center">Devotions & Other Events</p>
<p>Saturday 18th November Feria in ordinary Time</p>	<p>12:30pm Norma Jaynes RIP</p>	<p>12:00pm Confession 1:30pm Christmas Fayre</p>
<p align="center">Sunday 19th November THIRTY—THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME RETIRING COLLECTION FOR PARISH MAINTENANCE</p>	<p>8:30am Edmund Gallagher RIP 10:30am Mary Greaves RIP 3:00pm Syro Community Holy Mass</p>	<p>Coffee & Tea in the Parish Centre after 10:30am Mass By Holy Name Choir</p>
<p>Monday 20th November Feria in Ordinary Time</p>	<p>11:30am Nicholas Sampays Kevin Hammond RIP</p>	<p>11:00am Divine Mercy</p>
<p>Tuesday 21st November Memorial of the Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary</p>	<p>9:15am Andy O’Gara RIP Viola Cahill RIP</p>	
<p>Wednesday 22nd November Memorial of St Cecilia, Virgin, Martyr</p>	<p>9:15am HN School Mass in Church 11:30am Ints of Joe Goddard Ints of Kathleen Satchwell</p>	<p>11:00am Rosary</p>
<p>Thursday 23rd November Feria in ordinary Time</p>	<p>9:00am Mass at St. Mark’s School Maureen Cullen RIP Colum Conway RIP</p>	
<p>Friday 24th November Memorial of St Andrew Dung—Lac, Priest, and Companions, Martyrs</p>	<p>11:30am Ints of Margaret Tickner Ints of Francis Monaghan and Mary Hackett</p>	<p>11:00am Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament</p>
<p>Saturday 25th November Feria in ordinary Time</p>	<p>12:30pm Conor Quinlan RIP</p>	<p>12:00pm Confession</p>
<p align="center">Sunday 26th November SOLEMNITY OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, OF THE UNIVERSE RETIRING COLLECTION FOR CATHOLIC YOUTH SERVICE</p>	<p>8:30am Michael Kenny RIP 10:30am Mary Ann Tubb RIP</p>	<p>Coffee & Tea in the Parish Centre after 10:30am Mass Knights of St Columba 12:00pm Baptism</p>

**Last Week's
Offertory
Collection:
£446.68**

**Gift Aid Envelopes:
£179.50**

**Standing Order for
the month of
Sept: 1,720.00**

**Mass Attendance
Last Sunday: 311**

**Thank you for
supporting your
Parish.**



**Next Sunday's
Mass Readings:
Ezekiel 34:11-12,
15-17; Ps 22;
1 Corinthians
15:20-26, 28;
Matthew 25:31-46**

SENIOR CITIZENS PARTY

You are warmly invited to our Senior Citizens party to be held in the Parish Centre on Saturday 2nd December 2023. Please take the letter with you from the Church Porch after Mass and fill in the form below and return to the Parish Office by 20th November 2023.

HELP NEEDED FOR THE PARTY

We need people on the Friday evening 1st December to set up in the Centre, then "waiters and waitresses" on Saturday and finally volunteers to clear up after the event. If you can help, please contact Angela Corbett and Payal in the Office. Thank you for your support as always.

GIVING TREE

The Giving Tree is now in church. This year we will again be supporting St Chad's Sanctuary in Birmingham, which helps refugees and asylum seekers. The SVP will also be looking for gifts for families who need our help.

Please take a tag from the Tree. As you know, each tag indicates the person you can buy a gift for, for example, gift for a boy aged 4 or gift for a man. You then buy something appropriate, wrap it up, attach the tag and place the gift under the tree as soon as possible. The deadline for the gifts is Sunday 17th December to allow time to distribute them before Christmas. St Chad's suggests that suitable gifts are warm clothes, hats, scarves and gloves, toiletries or stationery. Many thanks for your continuing generosity to those in need. Your kindness helps to change people's lives. If you have any questions, please contact the Parish Office.

CHRISTMAS EVE AND CHRISTMAS MASSES

We need Readers and Eucharist Ministers for the Christmas Eve and Christmas Masses. If you can help, please put your name down on the list provided on the church porch.

PLEASE NOTE THERE WILL BE NO 8:30AM HOLY MASS ON SUNDAY 24TH DECEMBER 2023.

READERS AND EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS

There are new Rotas available for Readers and Ministers from the Church Porch as you leave Mass today. Thank you.⁴