



The Parish of  
**Swindon  
New Town**

## **MESSENGER**

**Sunday 27th October 2024**  
**30th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

### **WORSHIP THIS WEEK**

<b>Monday</b> SS. Simon & S. Jude	S. Mark - 8.15am Morning Prayer S. Mark - 12.30pm Mass S. Mark - 1-4pm Welcome Space S. Mark - 6pm Evening Prayer Theology in the Pub 7.30pm at the Glue Pot
<b>Tuesday</b> Feria	S. Luke - 7.30am Mass S. Mark - 8.15am Morning Prayer S. Saviour - 9.30am Mass S. Luke - 1-3pm Welcome Space & Free Shop S. Mark - 6pm Evening Prayer
<b>Wednesday</b> Feria	S. Mark - 8.15am Morning Prayer S. Mark - 6.30pm S. Mark - 7pm Mass
<b>Thursday</b> Feria	S. Mark - 8.15am Morning Prayer S. Luke - 9.30am Mass S. Mark - 6pm Evening Prayer Rosary Group 6.30pm 162 William St
<b>Friday</b> All Saints' Day	S. Mark - 8.15am Morning Prayer S. Luke - 7pm Mass S. Mark - 7.30pm Mass
<b>Saturday</b> All Souls' Day	S. Saviour & S. Luke - 10am Said Mass S. Mark - 12noon Sung Mass S. Luke - 6pm Vigil Mass with readings and prayers in Konkani
<b>Sunday</b> 3rd November 31st Sunday in Ordinary Time	S. Mark - 8am Morning Prayer S. Saviour - 9am Sung Mass S. Mark - 10.30am Sung Mass S. Luke - 11am Sung Mass S. Mark - 6pm Evening Prayer

**CHORAL EVENSONG AND BENEDICTION** is this evening (Sunday 27 October) at 6pm at S. Mark's. Evensong is a peaceful and prayerful way to enjoy some calm before God ahead of the working week, with our worship aided with beautiful music. Do come and bring friends.

**HALF TERM HOLIDAY CLUB** - Places are still available for the Half Term Holiday Club which is running from Tuesday - Friday this week. Children will be learning to sing songs from the musical 'Oliver' and will perform them on the Friday afternoon for parents and guardians. The cost of the week is £10, which includes breakfast and lunch. The club will run from 9am - 3.30pm, with an optional breakfast club from 8am. If you would like to know more about this, please speak to Tom. ([tom@psnt.uk](mailto:tom@psnt.uk))

**ALL SAINTS' DAY** is this Friday, 1 November. It is a Holy Day of Obligation – one of the days when all Christians should come to Mass. There will be a Sung Mass at S. Mark's at 7.30pm and a Mass with prayers and readings in Konkani at S. Luke's at 7pm.

**ALL SOULS' DAY** is on Saturday, 2 November. This is the day when we pray especially for the departed. There will be a Said Mass at both at S. Saviour's and S. Luke's at 10am, and a Sung Mass at S. Mark's at 12 noon.

**NEW DIRECTOR OF MUSIC AT S. MARK'S** – We're delighted to announce the appointment of Dr Thomas Edwards as our new organist and director of music at S. Mark's. Tom has written the following to introduce himself to the parish: *"Tom Edwards's first major church appointment, at the age of 25, was as Organist and Master of the Music at Shrewsbury Abbey, in Shropshire; his subsequent appointments have included St John's, Dee Why, Sydney, Australia (2013-15) and St Barnabas' Oxford (2016-2021). He seems to have developed a knack for getting choirs and orchestras to do what he wants, although he really has no idea how. He has been Director of Music at Rendcomb College, near Cirencester, since September 2016. He is very excited to be joining the Parish of Swindon New Town and has greatly enjoyed the warm welcome he has already received."*

**LEADING INTERCESSIONS** – We'll be having a session on how to lead intercessions well. This is for everyone currently on the rotas for the prayer of the faithful during the Mass, and for anyone who would like to explore this ministry. The session will last about an hour and is being run twice – on Wednesday 27 November at S. Mark's at 7.30pm and on Saturday 30 November at S. Aldhelm's at 10.30am.

**NEW LECTIONARY** – From Advent, like all churches in the catholic tradition, we'll be using a new lectionary, based on the English Standard Version of the Bible. We've bought the new lectionaries and Books of the Gospel for each of the churches of the parish. If you'd like to make a donation to pay for one of these, perhaps in memory of a loved one, that would be very welcome. We've already had a kind donation to pay for a special Processional Gospel book for S. Mark's. The Gospel Books at S. Saviour's and S. Luke's cost £223 each. The four-volume Lectionary sets at each church are £590.75 or £148 per volume.

**FR TOBY'S INDUCTION AS RECTOR** – Fr Toby writes: *“On Thursday, 21 November, the Bishop of Bristol will be inducting me as Rector of the Parish. This will be at a Mass to be celebrated by Bishop Paul at S. Mark's at 7.30pm. Please do put the date in your diary. In a sense it is a formality which won't change anything in the Parish. But it is a sign of confidence and stability. Most importantly, it will be a good opportunity for us to celebrate together as a Parish and I hope you can come!”*

**WALSINGHAM PILGRIMAGE 2025** - We have booked for 15th - 19th September. Please contact the office if you are interested in going. More information can be found at <https://www.walsinghamanglican.org.uk/> or speak to people that have been before.

**VOLUNTEERS NEEDED** – We need volunteers to help run the welcome space at S. Luke's, which runs from 1pm to 3pm on Tuesdays. If you'd like to find out more about what this involves, please speak to Tom ([tom@psnt.uk](mailto:tom@psnt.uk)).

**S. MARK** - There will be church cleaning at St Marks on Saturday 2nd November at 10 am before the Mass at 12 noon - everybody welcome!

**RIDE + STRIDE** - Thank you to everyone who sponsored me and encouraged me. I visited 27 churches, walking 22.3 miles in just over 7.5 hours. I have paid in £352.50 to the Wiltshire Historic Churches Trust, half of which will come back to the parish towards the end of the year. *Carol Simmons*

**THEOLOGY IN THE PUB** is back this Monday (28th October) with the very timely theme: 'the end of summer: finding God in the gloom'. As usual we will gather in the Glue Pot (Emlyn Square SN1 5BP) at 7:30PM. Whether you're a budding theologian or new to the faith, theology in the pub is a great opportunity to chat and ask questions in a friendly and relaxed setting.

**ROSARY HOME GROUP** - Rosary group is on Thursday, 31st October at Tom's. This will be held every other Thursday evening at 6.30pm.

## TODAY WE PRAY FOR

### RECENTLY DEPARTED

#### YEAR'S MIND

[27] Harry Mutter, Ronald Barrett, Richard Wong, Christine Margaret Dunmore  
[28] Leonard Watts, John Dunmore [29] Oliver Tomkins (bishop), Lily Elizabeth  
Bishop [30] Roy Stanley Ausden, William Jell [31] Sister Sheila Margaret (CSMV)  
[1<sup>st</sup> November] Kenneth Barrat, [2] Violet Wheeler, Diana Chinn

**FOR YOUR WEEKLY INTERCESSIONS** - Richard & Maddie Charman,  
John Wilson, Alison Gray, Sue Davis, Kylie Lawson, Lynn Thrussell, Julia  
Carr, Margaret Stevenson, Peter Gembarski, Ted Lane, Ann McIntire, Katie  
Joseph, Kerry Whitby, Brian Poat, Jin Furzeland, Lourenco Gonsalves,  
Renelle Nunes, Chris Ockwell, Francisco Fernandes, John Fuller, Margret  
Evans, Roy Norton, Anita Souza

**HOME COMMUNICANTS** - Muriel Avenell, Betty Mitchell, Owen  
Shellard, Maurice Lidgeley, Beryl & Les Howell,

**PASTORAL CARE** - Please do feel free to call the clergy if there is  
anything they can do to support you or others you know with any pastoral  
or spiritual needs.

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**For this week's readings see** <https://universalis.com/20241027mass.htm>

**NEXT WEEK'S READINGS** Deut 6:2-6; Ps 17; Heb 7:23-28; Mark 12:28-34

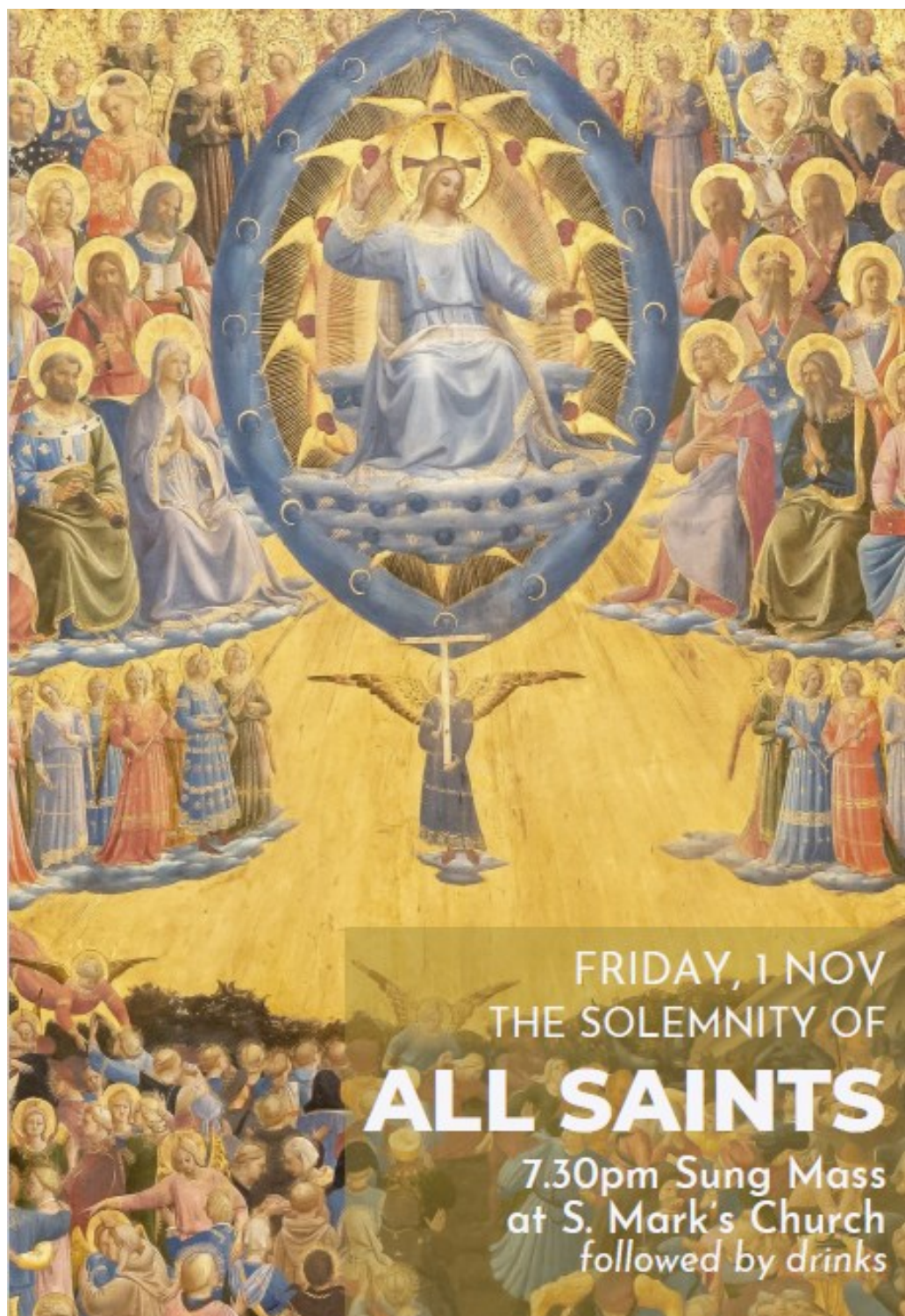
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**PLANNED GIVING**- For those who make their offering by weekly  
envelopes, new boxed sets of envelopes for 2024 are available. If you are not  
part of the Planned Giving scheme and would like to have a boxed set of  
envelopes, please contact John Bishop at the email below.

Alternatively if you would prefer to make your offering by bank transfer,  
our banking details are: Parish of Swindon New Town PCC,  
Sort code 40-52-40, Account number 00024962.

(Please use S.Mark, S. Saviour or S. Luke as your reference or say what the  
payment is for, if not for planned giving) John Bishop [treasurer@psnt.uk](mailto:treasurer@psnt.uk)



FRIDAY, 1 NOV  
THE SOLEMNITY OF

# ALL SAINTS

7.30pm Sung Mass  
at S. Mark's Church  
*followed by drinks*



SATURDAY, 2 NOV  
THE COMMEMORATION OF ALL  
**THE FAITHFUL**  
DEPARTED

10am  
Said Requiem Mass  
S. Saviour's, Ashford Rd



10am  
Said Requiem Mass  
S. Luke's, Broad Street



12 noon  
Sung Requiem Mass  
S. Mark's, Church Place

LISTS ARE AVAILABLE IN OUR  
CHURCHES FOR THE NAMES OF  
THOSE TO BE REMEMBERED