The Parish of Swindon New Town

MESSENGER

Sunday 8th November 2026
REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY

THIS WEEK IN THE PARISH	
Monday **Dedication of the Lateran Basilica**	**S. Mark - 8.45am Morning Prayer** **S. Mark - 9-10.30am Toddler Group** **S. Mark - 12.30pm Mass** **S. Mark - 1-4pm Welcome Space** **S. Mark - 5pm Evening Prayer**
Tuesday **S. Leo the Great**	**S. Mark - 8.45am Morning Prayer** **S. Saviour - 9.30am Mass** **S. Saviour - 10am - 12noon Welcome Space** **S. Luke - 12.30pm Mass** **S. Luke - 1-3pm Welcome Space and Free Shop** **S. Mark - 5pm Evening Prayer**
Wednesday **S. Martin of Tours**	**S. Mark - 8.45am Morning Prayer** **S. Mark - 6.30pm Evening Prayer** **S. Mark - 7pm Mass**
Thursday **S. Josaphat**	**S. Mark - 8.45am Morning Prayer** **S. Luke - 9.30am Mass** **S. Mark - 5pm Evening Prayer** **Rosary Home Group 6.30pm at 162 William Street**
Friday **Feria**	**S. Mark - 8.45am Morning Prayer** **S. Luke - 12.30pm Mass** **S. Mark - 5pm Evening Prayer** **S. Saviour - 7.30pm Youth Group**
Saturday **Memorial of the BVM**	**S. Aldhelm - 10am Mass** **S. Luke - 6pm Vigil Mass with readings in Konkani**
Sunday 15th Nov **33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time**	**S. Mark - 7.30am Said Mass** **S. Mark - 8am Morning Prayer** **S. Saviour - 9am Sung Mass** **S. Mark - 10.30am Sung Mass** **S. Luke - 11am Sung Mass** **S. Mark - 5pm Young Adults Guild followed by Social**

REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY – This Sunday's sung Masses in the parish will all be Requiem Masses offered for those who have died in conflict and all who mourn them. The Masses will be offered too for those men and women who serve today, or have served in past years, in the armed forces, and for their loved ones. *At the going down of the sun and in the morning, we will remember them.*

ACT OF REMEMBRANCE – There will be an Act of Remembrance, led by the clergy of the parish, at the Radnor Street Cemetery at 2pm today. All are welcome.

CONTEMPLATIVE WORSHIP – Remembrance will be theme too of our service of contemplative prayer at 4.30pm today at S. Saviour's The services lasts just thirty minutes, with chant in the style of Taizé, silence and prayer. It is followed by Evening Prayer.

DEMENTIA AWARENESS – On the morning of Saturday 28 November, beginning at 10.30am with tea and coffee, we'll be hosting a session, at S. Mark's, to improve our welcome as churches entitled *Understanding Dementia - becoming a Dementia Friend*. This will be run by Karen Owens from the Alzheimer's Society. All are welcome. If you'd like to know more, please be in contact with Greta Davies (greta@psnt.uk). There is no charge for the course and everyone is welcome to take part.

NEW MASS TIMES AS S. LUKE'S – From this week, we are experimenting with a new 12.30pm Mass at S. Luke's, to see if a Mass before the Welcome Space works well; this will be instead of the Tuesday 8am Mass. The Friday Mass at S. Luke's will also now be at 12.30pm. For Christians, coming to Mass on Sundays is normally an obligation, albeit a joyful one. To come to Mass on a weekday is a act of devotion - coming to the midweek Masses whenever you can is a wonderful way to grow in discipleship and prayer.

WELCOME SPACE AT S. SAVIOUR'S – This Tuesday, we'll be launching a new Welcome Space in the hall at S. Saviour's from 10am to 12 noon – a safe, warm space where everyone is welcome. Whether you want to meet new people or just get out of the house for a couple of hours, have a coffee, play board games and chat, you will be very welcome. If you'd like to help of get involved please speak to Linda McEntee or Pat Gordon at S. Saviour's.

MESSY CHURCH – Our next Messy Church will be on November 18 at S. Saviour's from 4.30pm - 6.30pm. It will be All Saints themed with a lantern procession, bonfire, sparklers and hot dogs. Everyone Welcome.

WELCOME SPACE AT S. MARK'S – We want to build up our rota of Welcome Space leaders and helpers at S. Mark's. If you'd like to get involved, please speak to Tom or email tom@psnt.uk. Training, including hygiene and safeguarding training, will be provided.

ADOREMUS PILGRIMAGE – 20 to 22 November - Adoremus is a weekend programme at the Shrine of Our Lady of Walsingham in Norfolk specifically designed for 18-35 year olds. There will be a group of us travelling up by car from the parish. If you'd like to know, please speak to Ricky Whitefield ricky.whitefield@psnt.uk.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY:
Sunday, 29 November, Advent Sunday, Advent Carols at 6pm at S. Mark's.
Thursday, 3 December, S. Francis Xavier, Sung Konkani Mass at 7pm at S. Luke's.
Monday, 8 December, The Immaculate Conception, Sung Mass at 7.30pm at S. Mark's.
Wednesday, 16 December, Messy Advent from 4.30pm at S. Saviour's.
Sunday, 20 December, Community Carols at 6pm at S. Luke's.
Tuesday, 22 December, Nine Lessons & Carols at 7.30pm at SM

WALSINGHAM PILGRIMAGE – We have booked the dates for our 2027 Walsingham Pilgrimage – Monday 6 September to Friday 10 September. All are welcome, please contact Linda office@psnt.uk if you are interested so that we can check we have spaces.

FREE SHOP – As part of the S. Luke's Welcome Space on Tuesdays we run a "free shop", where people can get good quality second-hand clothes. We'd especially welcome donations of men's winter clothes in good condition. These can be taken to any of our churches or the parish office. Thank you!

S. MARK'S MEMORIAL BENCH at the rear of the church by the memorial ground needs replacing as it is now rotten. If you would like to make a donation towards a new bench, could you please give your donation to Carole Green or place it on the plate in an envelope appropriately marked. Thank you

TODAY WE PRAY FOR

RECENTLY DEPARTED

Jack Gower, Maisie Rogers, David Smith

YEAR'S MIND

[8] Eva Trotter, Bill Reeves, [9] Ivy Frances Burton, Hubert Anthony "Digger" Tomkins, John Richards (Bishop) [10] Marjorie Hale, Bert Whale [11] Maud Comley, Arthur Mcintyre, Edward Glass [12] Roy Mildenhall [13] Frederick Walter Watts [14] Rex Hurrell (priest)

FOR YOUR PRAYERS - Richard & Maddie Charman, John Wilson, Sue Davis, Margaret Stevenson, Roy Norton, Kayleigh Winbow, Barbara Sheppard, Carole New, James, Muriel Avenell, Lourenco Gonsalves

HOME COMMUNICANTS - Betty Mitchell, Owen Shellard, Maurice Lidgeley, Beryl & Les Howell, Cynthia Strudwick, Jane Linnegar, Mary Steele-Davis, Helen Watt, Mary Gladman, Mike Jell

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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NEXT WEEK'S READINGS Prov 31: 10-31; Ps 127; 1Thess 5:1-6; Matt 25:14-30
For this week's readings see https://universalis.com/20261108/mass.htm

PARISH OFFICE - Contact Linda McEntee Tel: 01793 538220
Mon 9-11am, Thurs 9am-1pm, Friday 9-12noon office@psnt.uk
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PLANNED GIVING– If you would like to have a boxed set of envelopes, please contact John Bishop.
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

Welcome Space

A warm safe space for
the whole community

Tuesdays 10am-12noon

St Saviour's Church Hall,

Ashford Rd

Refreshments,

friendship & chat







SAINTS SAUSAGES and Sparklers

An all-age celebration for November!

Come and learn about the saints, enjoy arts and crafts, and make a lantern.

Join us for a short service and lantern procession, followed by a bonfire, sparklers and hot dogs!

Come dressed as your favourite saint if you'd like!



WEDNESDAY 18TH NOVEMBER • 4.30PM

S. SAVIOUR'S CHURCH, ASHFORD ROAD

Everyone welcome!

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Messy CHURCH