The Parish of Swindon New Town

MESSENGER

Sunday 15th November 2026
33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

THIS WEEK IN THE PARISH	
Monday **S. Edmund of Abingdon**	**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. Hugh of Lincoln**	**S. Mark - 8.45am Morning Prayer** **S. Saviour - 9.30am Mass** **S. Saviour - 10am - 12noon Welcome Space** **Kings Court - 11.15am Service of the Word** **S. Luke - 12.30pm Mass** **S. Luke - 1-3pm Welcome Space and Free Shop** **S. Mark - 5pm Evening Prayer**
Wednesday **Feria**	**S. Mark - 8.45am Morning Prayer** **S. Augustine - 10am Mass** **S. Saviour - 4.30 - 6.30pm Messy Church** **S. Mark - 6.30pm Evening Prayer** **S. Mark - 7pm Mass**
Thursday **Feria**	**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 **The Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary**	**S. Aldhelm - 10am Mass** **S. Mark - 2pm Memorial Service for Stuart Cameron RIP** **S. Luke - 6pm Vigil Mass with readings in Konkani**
Sunday 22nd Nov **CHRIST THE KING**	**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**

MESSY CHURCH – Our November Messy Church is at St Saviour's on Wednesday 18th November from 4.30 until 6.30. The November Messy Church is always a really fun occasion as we remember the Saints who are the heroes of our faith. We will make lanterns and have a lantern procession around Ashford Road finishing with a small bonfire and sparklers. There will be many other arts and crafts and we finish with hot dogs! This is a really cheerful occasion amidst the autumn gloom and cold - why not join us?

DEPARTED FRIENDS – FR TOBY WRITES: "*These past days have seen the death of three devoted members of our parish community. We pray for the repose of their souls. Although we grieve, we do so, as S. Paul puts it, 'not as those who have no hope'; rather, our grief is transfigured by our sure and certain hope of the resurrection to eternal life and our knowledge that, in Christ, love has definitively conquered death.*"

MIKE JELL RIP – Mike had been at the heart of the life of S. Saviour's for many years, along with his dear late wife, Sue. Please pray for their sons Edward, David, Robert and Richard, and for Mike and Sue's grandchildren. Mike's Funeral Mass will be at S. Saviour's at 12.30pm on Tuesday, 8 December.

PHILIP WHITE RIP – Philip will be greatly missed across the parish, serving the life of S. Luke's especially with much love and devotion. Please pray for his family and friends. We'll circulate details of Philip's funeral as soon as we have them.

BERYL HOWELL RIP – Beryl and Les Howell were married at S. Mark's in 1952 and have been loyal servants of S. Mark's and the parish for decades. We pray for Les in this grief, and for their children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren. We'll circulate details of Beryl's funeral as soon as we have them.

CLARE LEES RIP – Today is the fifth anniversary of the death of Clare Lees, who contributed so much to the life of the parish and S. Saviour's. Clare's daughter, Lizzie, will be with us as we dedicate a new votive lamp in memory of Clare at today's Mass at S. Saviour's.

STUART CAMERON RIP – There will be a Memorial Service for the late Stuart Cameron at S. Mark's on Saturday 21 November at 2pm. He died in August, having been a stalwart of S. Mark's from about 1958 to the time he moved as a family to Scotland in 2003. All are very welcome to the service.

PCC MEETING – the Parochial Church Council will meet at S. Mark's on Monday 23 November, beginning with Mass at 7pm.

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.

WELCOME SPACE AT S. SAVIOUR'S – This runs every Tuesday 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 or chat, you will be very welcome. If you'd like to help or get involved please speak to Linda McEntee or Pat Gordon at S. Saviour's.

THE NEXT CHURCH CLEANING DAY, at S. Mark's, will be Saturday 5th December from 10am with refreshments! The last clean was a great success so please come along if you can? Thank you Carole Green (Churchwarden)

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.

TODAY WE PRAY FOR

RECENTLY DEPARTED

David Smith, Mike Jell, Beryl Howell, Brian Kiernan, Philip White

YEAR'S MIND

[15] Marjory McKinven, Clare Lees [16] Stanley Cann (priest)
[17] Elizabeth Carey, Dorothy Hurrell [18] Ada Frances Couzens, (Cyril) John Moore [19] May King [20] Sylvia Lidgley, Phyl Stickler, Anne Margaret Curley [21] Suzanne Couzins [22] Bill Still

FLOWERS AT S. SAVIOUR'S today are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Clare Lees

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, Les Howell, Cynthia Strudwick, Jane Linnegar, Mary Steele-Davis, Helen Watt, Mary Gladman,

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 Ezek 34: 11-17; Ps 22; 1Cor 15:20-28; Matt 25:31-46
For this week's readings see https://universalis.com/20261115/mass.htm

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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