

MASS TIMES 5TH - 12TH NOVEMBER

Sat 5th 10am *Noel Monahan R.I.P.*

Sat 5th 6pm *Edna Green R.I.P.*

Sun 6th 9am *Richard Cole R.I.P.*

Sun 6th 11am *John Gannon R.I.P. (F)*

Monday 7th to Friday 11th (inclusive) No Mass

Sat 12th 6pm *Tudor Morgan R.I.P.*

CONFESSIONS:

Saturday 10:30—11am
or by appointment.

No Confessions
on 12th November



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Year C 32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time 6th November 2022

11am Mass on Sundays and 12 noon Mass on Wednesdays are at Sacred Heart Lambourn and are not available on Zoom.

Cold and flu season is upon us - If you feel unwell or are displaying symptoms please test for covid before coming to Mass, It is important that we protect each other and be more considerate towards those who may be vulnerable.



In your prayers, please remember all who have died recently especially Fr. Robin Sanders, Georgina Cave, Neil Murphy and Bridget May Knight, and those whose anniversaries occur around this time - Walter Flanagan, Gary Oglesby, Susanna McFeely, Richard Cole, Nora Tarry, Desmond Murtagh, Ela Ozbayraktar, Michael Dunning, Jessie Harrison, Joan Longworth, Michael Dorrian, Keith Harrison, Robina Ryder, Robina Johnstone, Margaret McGivern, Teresa Bowler, Mabel Capell, Gillian Parrott, Joan Kent, Tom Murphy, Joe Picken. Also pray for all who are sick, in hospital or housebound especially Margaret Wilson, Pete Gray, Margaret Joyce, Peter Shaw, Wendy Purslow, Sue Maher, Tom Carney, Gloria Allen and all those suffering at this time. Please contact the office if you would like someone to be added to our sick list .

Collections Thank You

If you would like to continue supporting the Church your weekly/ monthly offering can be made online using this name and account number :

PRCDTR Wantage St John Vianney

Sort Code: 30-93-04 Account Number: 01720016

Please remember that you can always drop your donation into the Presbytery letterbox. Same Account for Wantage and Lambourn.

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God of the Living



Those of you who have tuned into political debate lately will have noticed that whilst some questions demand a genuine answer, others are simply posed to trip up the opponent and cause maximum embarrassment. Can we really hope to get answers if we are asking questions loaded with ridicule and cynicism?

Today, the Sadducees, who did not believe in resurrection, try to ridicule the belief in life after death by posing Jesus with an argument that verges on the ludicrous. Their only interest in quizzing Jesus was to confound him and to ridicule the whole notion of resurrection and of Heaven. The Sadducees flag a warning to us all. There is nothing wrong with having a lively theological debate, but when we start to raise questions we have to be very honest about our motivation. Are we really seeking answers, or are we simply kicking an intellectual football? Are we, like the Sadducees, guilty of bringing our own convictions to an argument with an arrogant refusal to see a different point of view?

It is surprising that Jesus dignifies the Sadducees' question with an answer at all, but he does. The circumstances that surround us in our day-to-day living, Jesus explains, will not apply in Heaven, and therefore we need not trouble ourselves with worldly conventions. No longer able to die, let alone resume a marriage we forged in life, those who are deemed worthy will be like the angels - children of God. The Sadducees are thinking of an eternity as something linked to earthly life. How boring that would be!

All we can know about death and resurrection is that it is a journey that starts in the here and now. It is the 'now' that determines our eternity, and as Jesus said, 'God is not God of the dead, but of the living.' To God, we are all alive.

Pope Francis' Prayer Intention for November -For children who suffer

We pray for children who are suffering, especially those who are homeless, orphans, and victims of war; may they be guaranteed access to education and the opportunity to experience family affection.

Lambourn Parish Meeting - to discuss the Bishop's 10 year plan will be on 27th November in the hall after Mass.

November, Month of the Faithful Departed.

During the month of November we pray for all our deceased family members and friends. We aim to remember how they helped and loved us whilst they were with us and we commit to keeping their memory alive by adopting the qualities we most admired in them. We also pray for those who have died that have fought for our way of life and our religious freedom, and we pray for those who have died alone who have no one to remember them.

Red Box—please could you bring your red boxes to Church for counting during November. If you are unable to get to Church, we can arrange to have your box collected.



Dates For Your Diary:

Pandemonium Christmas Concert/Social Evening - Friday Dec 9th, 7:30pm. In Church hall. In aid of Church funds. Guest Artist: Pete Orton. Raffle and refreshments! Tickets will be on sale shortly.

Parish Retreat Day - Saturday 10th December - Will begin with Mass and will include talks, Adoration and Benediction. Everyone welcome to attend either all or part of the day. Bring your own lunch.

Christmas Carol Service Sunday 18th December, 5pm at St. John Vianney.

Little People - we are looking for:

Warm winter clothes for a little girl, size 3-4ys

Child's bedding, single and cot size.

Table and chairs suitable for a small kitchen.

Many thanks for your support.

St. John Vianney

Food Bank Collection

Donations of non-perishable items

can be left in the box marked

"Food Bank" in the Church porch.

Refreshments after 9am Mass on Sundays - in the hall, all welcome.

Society of Saint Vincent de Paul (SVP) - If you know of anyone in need or anyone who would like a visit from members of the society, please email the parish office or phone 07842271596 Donations to SVP can be made to this account: Sort Code 60-60-04 ac no. 48001074

Bamenda Sunday - Our Second Collection this Sunday is for our sister Diocese of Bamenda, Cameroon.

Since 1974, the Diocese of Portsmouth has enjoyed a rich and close relationship with our partner Diocese of Bamenda, involving prayer for one another; practical and financial support for projects; the organisation of exchange visits; the promotion of the link in our schools and parishes, and the sharing of news and information. The Portsmouth Bamenda Committee supports, directs and develops this relationship, raising more than £1,000,000 to date. If you would like to give a gift to this collection, you can donate here: <https://donate.giveasyoulive.com/campaign/bamenda> or place your donation in the basket marked "Bamenda Sunday".

St. Martin of Tours Feast Day November 11th - One winter's night, while Martin was serving with the army, he met a beggar, cold and half starved to death. Having already given away all his money and food rations, Martin had only what he stood up in! He took off his thick army cloak, cut it in two and gave half to the beggar. That night in his dreams, Martin saw Jesus, surrounded by angels, wearing the half cloak he had given to the beggar, and he heard Jesus say, "See, this is the cloak which Martin has given me." In 371 the Christians of Tours, chose him as their new bishop and he remained there for twenty-six years, proving himself a champion of the under-dog and an unflagging and courageous missionary.



Office Hours -Tuesday, Thursday and Friday from 11am to 1:30pm. If you have any items you'd like included in the newsletter, please email them to the office by 1:30 pm on Thursday.

Important Contacts.

Hospital / Home visits. Sick Communion,

If you are sick or going into hospital and would like a visit or Holy Communion, call the office on **01235 762374**

Parish Safeguarding Rep Barbara Jarrett is our contact for all adult and child safeguarding issues. Please contact Barbara through the parish office.

Baptisms and other Sacraments—Firstly, speak to Fr.David after Mass on any Sunday

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