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**Newsletter for the week commencing 26th/27th October 2019**

**Thirtieth Sunday of the Year ( C )**

**First Reading: the book of Ecclesiasticus 35: 12-14; 16-19**

**Psalm 33 Response:**  This poor man called; the Lord heard him

**Second Reading: The second letter of St Paul to Timothy 4: 6-8; 16-18** With great style and eloquence as well as with emotion Paul writes to Timothy that he has fought the good fight, finished the race, kept the faith and now awaits his final reward.

**Gospel: Luke 18: 9-14** Through the parable of the Pharisee and the tax collector who go to the Temple to pray, Jesus teaches his disciples that prayer should not be used as a tool to boast about one’s achievements.

**Father John writes:**

We pray today especially for the Repose of the Soul of Archbishop Michael Bowen. He was bishop in Arundel & Brighton Diocese before he came to Southwark as our deeply respected Archbishop in 1977 and served us in this role for 26 years! Having lived and worked with him as his Vicar General for fifteen of those years I know how seriously he took all his many responsibilities, and also how concerned he was for all his priests. He used to say there was never a day when he wasn’t worried about one situation or another in the diocese, and he was constantly working out in his head what was the best solution for all concerned. Our 10.30am Mass **this Sunday** will be offered to give thanks to God for his life and to pray for the repose of his soul. His Funeral Mass and burial will be in our Cathedral in South London on Monday the 4th November at 12.30pm - and it would be great if some parishioners from our parish were there to pray for him.

I congratulate you all on your generosity both on Family Fast Day (£659.53) earlier this month, and on the “Harrods” Sale which came to £1072.65. (although a bit more came in since the cheque was sent!)

**Your Prayers are asked for:**

**Those recently deceased:** Archbishop Michael Bowen

**Those ill or infirm:** Joe Adams (in hospital), Ellie Lawrence, Anne Bryant, Eric Booth, Patricia Hook, Elena Peck (senior), John Dumbleton (in hospital) and Josie Payne

**Those whose anniversaries of death occur at this time:** Kieran Corcoran, Gerry Raffe, Sheila Hoskyns, Katherine Keane, John Phillips, Clive Holland, Marie Witham, Charles Carlson, Ross Smith, Maureen Gilberto, Arthur Mollett and Lucy Mullins.

**This week’s events**

Friday 1st November is All Saints feast day which is a Holy Day of Obligation. Masses are at 10.00am and 7.00pm.

**New Pilgrim Path Website of the Week.** “The Church should be electrified by the Holy Spirit”. Capuchin friar,  Fr Raniero Cantalamessa, has been preacher to the Papal household since 1980, under Pope John Paul II, Pope Benedict XVI and - currently - Pope Francis. He is a champion of charismatic renewal, and is Ecclesial Assistant to Charis, a new unified international service for Catholic Charismatic Renewal, commissioned by Pope Francis and launched in 2018.  Listen to an interview with Fr Cantalamessa at [www.NewPilgrimPath.ie](http://www.NewPilgrimPath.ie) .

Remember the Big Wrap & Foodbank Appeal 2019 mentioned last weekend. See the details plus suggestions for donations in the porch.

**This week’s services**

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| **Day** | **Date** | **Feast** | **Time/Detail** |
| Saturday | 26th October | Sts Chad & Cedd, Bishops | 6:00pm Vigil Mass of Sunday *people of the parish* |
| Sunday | 27th October | Thirtieth Sunday ( C ) | 8:30am Mass  10:30am Mass *Health of Neil Burrows* |
| Monday | 28th October | Sts Simon & Jude, Apostles | 10:00am Mass *Fr. J’s 57th Ordination anniversary.* |
| Tuesday | 29th October | Feria | 10:00am Mass *Fr James Kirby RIP* |
| Wednesday | 30th October | Feria | 10:00am Mass followed by Adoration |
| Thursday | 31st October | Feria | 9:00am Mass |
| Friday | 1st November | **ALL SAINTS - Holyday of Obligation** | 10:00am Mass *John Dumbleton*  7.00pm Mass |
| Saturday | 2nd November | THE COMMEMORATION OF ALL THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED (All Souls’ Day) | 10:00 to 10:45 Reconciliation  6:00pm Vigil Mass |
| Sunday | 3rd November | Thirty-First Sunday of the Year | 8:30am Mass  10:30am Mass |

**Next week’s responsibilities (2nd/3rd November)**

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|  | **6:00pm Saturday** | **8:30am Sunday** | **10:30am Sunday** |
| **Reader** | Pat S | Peter L | Kevin T |
| **Extra-ordinary Ministers** |  | Michael Payne  Allan Shipton | Kathleen Bishop  Martin Heinrichsmeier |
| **Flowers** | Francien | **Cleaners** | - |

**Regular activities**

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| Event | Where | When |
| Mothers’ Prayers | The Parish Room | Tuesdays at 4.30pm |
| Choir practice | St Andrew’s Church | Wednesdays at 7.00pm |

**Forthcoming events**

The **Annual Mass for the Deceased Clergy of Maidstone Deanery** will be held on **Tuesday the 12th November at St Thomas More’s Church**, West Malling, at **12 midday**. Parishioners from the Deanery very welcome**.**

**SATURDAY MORNING CONCERT FOR REMEMBRANCE-TIDE**: Saturday **9 November 11.**00 (Coffee from 10.30) at the **Unitarian Meeting House**, Ashford Road, Tenterden

Martyn Williams (Organ) will play works by Elgar, Thalben-Ball, Stanley, Ogden, West, Rowley and Dubois.

(Many people will remember Martyn playing the organ at St Andrew's on many occasions a few years ago when Andrew was unavailable.  He has fond memories of playing here)

**Free admission. Collection for Demelza Hospice Care for Children**.

The Tenterden annual Service of Remembrance will take place in the High Street at 10.45am on Sunday, 10th November. There will be a Service of Remembrance at Homewood School on Monday 11th November. Anyone wishing to go must be at the school by 10.30am.

You are all invited to the rededication of the Tenterden Methodist Church World War One Memorial Organ on Wednesday 13th November at 3pm. Contact for more info is Elva Bains (elvabains@yahoo.co.uk).

The **next Christian Breakfast Meeting** will be held at the **Zion Baptist Church** on **16th November** (8.30 – 10.30 am; £10 including a full breakfast). The speaker will be Mike Stephens of the Tenterden Community Hub and he will be talking about **Domenica Pecoraro – Refugee Support**.

There will be a second collection for the Archbishop’s Administration Fund on November 9th/10th.