

OUR LADY OF GILLINGHAM



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12th November 2023

✕ **THIRTY-SECOND SUNDAY YEAR A** ✕

Readers this week :6.30pm	9:30am	11:30am
Kieran Shannon/Josmy Manuel	Ifeoma Yhegbu/AmarachiUhegbu	Dinah Kansime/Maureen O-Krakue

Reading 1	Mal 1:14-2:2. 8-10	<i>You have strayed from the way, you have caused many to stumble by your teaching.</i>
Psalm	Ps 130	<i>Keep my soul in peace before you, O Lord.</i>
Reading 2	1 Thes 2:7-9, 13	<i>We were eager to hand over to you not only the Good News but our lives as well.</i>
Gospel Acclamation	1 Sam 3:9; John 6:68	<i>Speak, Lord, your servant is listening: you have the message of eternal life.</i>
Gospel	Matt 23:1-12	<i>They do not practise what they preach.</i>

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Ugochi Uche/Betty Sequiera	Susane Inya/Leanette Opeodu	Joseph Kuruvilla//Chelsea Atoe

- ✕ Please pray for those who have recently died and for all the following whose anniversaries occur about this time:
- ✕ Eugenio Grosso, Ingrid Willson, Margaret Cullen, Joseph McCormick, Thomas Goldsmith, Monty Coombs, Lydia Borg, Loreta Walker, Raymond Gilder, Alice Pollock & Michael Simmonds,
- ✕ May their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed through the mercy of God rest in peace. Amen

✕ **MASS INTENTIONS** ✕

Saturday 11th November	Vigil Mass	6.30pm	Pro Populo
Sunday 12th		9.30am	Repose of the souls of Mr & Mrs <u>Di Lisio & Marie Bourner</u>
		11.30am	Repose of the soul of Frank Hanham
		2pm	Blessings of the Graves at Woodlands Cemetery
Monday 13th	Feria.	10.00am	Repose of the soul of Franco Verdolini.0+
Tuesday 14th	Feria.	10.00am	Repose of the soul of Cenney Cannavina
Wednesday 15th	St Albert the Great	10.00am	Repose of the soul of Michael Scott
Thursday 16th	St Margaret of Scotland	10.00am	Repose of the souls of Arthur Grainger's family
Friday 17th	St Elizabeth of Hungary	10.00am	Repose of the souls of Maureen & Owen Dunne & Michael Masih
Saturday 18th	Dedication of the Basilicas of SS Peter & Paul	10.00am	Repose of the souls of Joseph Aleamma & Joseph Varkey
	Vigil Mass	6.30pm	Holy Souls of the Parish

Collections The collection in church last week amounted to £709.54 of which £143 80 was Gift Aided. and the Boiler Appeal received a further £500.00. Thank you

PARISH NOTICES

SECOND COLLECTION today is for the ARCHBISHOP'S APPEAL which funds three key mission areas; Youth and Evangelisation, Our Faith in Action and Clergy Care and Formation. Please collect an envelope from the back of the church for your donation.

November is the month of the Holy Souls – There are also sheets at the back of the church for you to record all those who you wish to have remembered at the Masses in November. An envelope is attached for voluntary donations.

TODAY - THE ANNUAL SERVICE AT THE CEMETERY for the Blessing of graves is at 2pm. Meet at the top of the cemetery close to the Catholic graves. There will be four members of the clergy to bless those who you wish to be blessed.

DEVOTIONS to the Blessed Virgin Mary continue by praying the rosary every day. The time for reciting the rosary here at the Church is 9.30 am

WAR IN THE MIDDLE EAST – Following Pope Francis' Day of Prayer & Fasting, please continue to pray for peace in the Middle East, especially for the people of Israel & Gaza and for peace in the world.

CAFOD WORLD GIFTS – Cafod have issued their annual Christmas World Gift booklets for this year. Please take a booklet to see how you can help those in need in the world. There is a variety of gifts with prices to suit every pocket.

CAFOD Israeli-Palestinian Crisis Appeal

Donate to CAFOD's Israeli-Palestinian Crisis Appeal at cafod.org.uk/ipc or call 0303 303 3030 to support those affected and get funds to local trusted experts in Gaza and southern Israel who have been working alongside communities helping those most in need. Your donation will help support aid workers providing urgent humanitarian aid including food, water and emergency shelter to those in need. Thank you for your prayers."

REPOSITORY -. The Repository shop will be in the McMahan Hall next weekend. There is a variety of Christmas cards, Advent calendars, candles and everything you want for Christmas.

PASSING ON THE FAITH FOR PARENTS - How do we start? How do we continue? What works well for children at different stages? 4 online sessions starting on Thursday November 9th, 8pm – 9:30pm. Email Lisette on mflse@rcaos.org.uk for either see

BAPTISMS – Parents who wish to have their children baptised should see Deacon Michael after one of the Sunday Masses.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION – Applications for children to make their First Holy Communion in 2024 are now closed. Any applications received now will be considered for the next programme in 2025. For further information contact Pennie Clarke after one of the Sunday Masses or use gillinghamfhc@rcaos.org.uk

SAFEGUARDING – We would like to remind parents/carers that young children must be accompanied by an adult should they need to leave the church for any reason. It is your responsibility to keep them safe while on church premises.

CONFIRMATION – The meetings for the candidates for **2023 Confirmation classes** have commenced every Tuesday evening at 6.30 pm in the Parish Hall.

MASS AT THE HOSPITAL – There is mass every Sunday at Medway hospital chapel, at 2 pm especially for the staff, the patients, and the visitors.

THOUGHT FOR THE SOUL

To experience the transforming of the Eucharist, we have to approach it with a lively faith in the real presence of Jesus in the Bread and Wine.'