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7 - 15 November 2026

32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sundays Year A Weekdays Year 2

	Market Drayton	Intention	Newport
Saturday 7 November *Feria*	**Mass 9:30am**	**David Pritchard RIP**	Mass 5:30pm
Sunday 8 November 32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time	**Mass 11:00am**	**Intentions of the Wilcox family**	Mass 9:15am
Monday 9 November DEDICATION OF LATERAN BASILICA			
Tuesday 10 November St Leo the Great			Mass 10:00am
Wednesday 11 November St Martin of Tours	**Mass 10:00 Ad & Ben** **Zoom Evening Prayer 7:00pm**	**Lyn Wilcox RIP**	Mass 10:00am
Thursday 12 November St Josaphat			Mass 7:00pm (Latin)
Friday 13 November *Feria*	**Rosary 7:00pm**		Mass 10:00am Adoration & Benediction
Saturday 14 November *Feria*	**Mass 9:30am**	**Kevin McLoughlin RIP**	Mass 5:30pm
Sunday 15 November 33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time	**Mass 11:00am**	**Michael Colin Mackintosh RIP**	Mass 9:15am

Sacrament of Reconciliation 30 minutes before Wednesday, or after Saturday Mass, or by appointment

Day of Special Prayer for all Victims of War



Readings for the 32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time *year* ***A*** *Psalter week* ***4***



`*Ent antiphon* Let my prayer come into your presence. Incline your ear to my cry for help, O Lord.

1st reading Wisdom 6: 12-16. *Wisdom is found by those who seek her.*

Response **For you my soul is thirsting, O Lord, my God.** x4

2nd reading 1 Thessalonians 4: 13-18. *Through Jesus, God will bring with him those who have fallen asleep.*

Acclamation **Alleluia, alleluia! Stay awake, and be ready, for the Son of Man is coming at an hour you do not expect. Alleluia!**

Gospel Matthew 25: 1-13. *Here is the bridegroom, come out to meet him.*

Comm ant **The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want. Fresh and green are the pastures where he gives me repose, near restful waters he leads me.**

Catechesis for All - Tuesday 10 November at 7:00pm at Mkt Drayton and Friday 13 November 10:30am at Newport. You can attend either venue. All are welcome.

REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY

We remember those of our families who died or suffered in our country's wars; also all those other members of the Parish, friends and other acquaintances, who gave their lives in our country's wars. Today, we remember in particular, the following members of the Parish who gave their lives in the First World War…

2Lt Walter Clifford (Irish Guards)
Rifleman George Flynn (KRRC)
Cpl Harry Higgins (KSLI)
Capt Francis Harding (RFA)
L/Cpl Frederick McAvan (KSLI)
Cpl Lawrence McAvan (KSLI)
Pte William McAvan (KSLI)
L/Cpl G.W. Russell (Irish Guards)
L/Cpl F W Wallis (Grenadier Guards)

….and those members of our Parish who gave their lives in the Second World War…

Capt George Clifford (8 Royal Irish Hussars)
Pilot Officer Trevor Peeler
Private Gordon McAvan (KSLI)

….. also, in the Town Cemetery, the following Polish & Czech airmen, who attended Mass in this church, and who gave their lives in the Second World War…

Bohdan Bielkiewick
Stepan Gruszczak
Josef Jaworski
Oldrich Kestler
Stanislav Kos
Woodziniera Majewski
Josef Martinec
Zelgeslav Mrovka
JT Piazecki
Bernard Samp



WE WILL REMEMBER THEM

They shall grow not old As we that are left grow old.
Age shall not weary them, Nor the years condemn.
At the going down of the sun And in the morning –

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Evening Prayer by Zoom will be on **Wednesday** evening this week, because of the Catechesis on Tuesday. Give your email address to Deacon Wilf to join us for 20 minutes of Divine Office prayer together, who can help with using Zoom on your PC, phone or tablet.



Please keep the following parishioners in your prayers: Pat MacGregor**,** Glynis Kirton, Clarice Clack, Freya Jackson, Fr Anthony Wild, John O'Rourke, David Smith, Niall Gallivan, Faye Hargreaves, Mary Goodwin, Julian & Dawn Huxley, Shane McGroggan, and all the sick and housebound of the parish.



Please continue to pray for peace in our troubled world. Lord Jesus Christ you are the true King of peace. In You alone is found freedom. Please free our world from conflict. Bring unity to troubled nations. Let Your glorious peace reign in every heart.

The Pope's Prayer Intention for November is for the Holy Souls in Purgatory. The whole month is dedicated to the Holy Souls in Purgatory. Do please write the names of your departed loved ones and place them in the envelopes to be found in the porch, and place in the casket by the altar at every Mass of every day during November. If you wish to make a Mass offering for the Holy Souls throughout the month of November please place this in the same envelope.



On Wednesday 11 November Deacon David will lead an Act of Remembrance at the school.



Christmas is Coming! The Christmas Mass times this year are on the notice board in the porch.

Together@Christmas Community Lunch returns: An initiative to combat the loneliness of facing Christmas alone, a Christmas Day lunch at the British Legion. Traditional Three course meal, warm company, entertainment and goody bag to take home. If you or someone you know would benefit from joining us, or if you would like to volunteer to set up, host, or serve please contact ☎07301 429412 (corrected number) Limited places, book soon to avoid disappointment. See the poster in the porch.



Local Bus Services A public consultation drop-in session at Festival Drayton Centre TF9 3AX on Monday 9 November 12-5pm to share your views on local public transport for the next 10 years.

2nd collection for the Clergy Education Training Fund will now be taken next week

Offertory	**01.11.2026**	Loose Plate £109.53	Envelopes £93.50	Stand Orders £169.67	Total £372.70	**Thank you**