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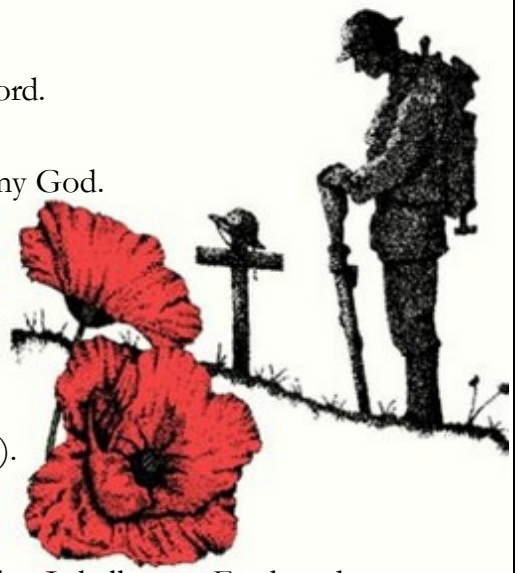
32nd Sunday of the Year

Prayers and Readings p.804 in the missal

Entrance antiphon:
Let my prayer come into your presence.
Incline your ear to my cry for help, O Lord.

Responsorial Psalm:
For you my soul is thirsting, O Lord, my God.

Gospel Acclamation:
Stay awake and be ready, for the
Son of Man is coming at an hour
you do not expect.



Eucharistic Prayer:
Eucharistic Prayer III (5.30pm & 8 am).
Eucharistic Prayer I (10 am).

Communion Antiphon
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.

Readings:
Wisdom 6:12-16. Psalm 63 (62). 1 Thessalonians 4:13-14. Matthew 25:1-13.

Marian Antiphon (at the end of every Sunday Mass)
Salve Regina – please see the Marian Antiphon prayer cards.

St Mary's Catholic Church Thetford

Celebrating 200 years proclaiming the Good News of Jesus Christ

Sunday 8th November 2026
32nd Sunday of the Year
Remembrance Day

Saturday 7th		1730	*For the War Dead* ✠
Sunday 8th		0800	*Pro Populo*
		1000	*Thomas Collins* ✠
Monday 9th	Dedication of the Lateran Basilica	No Mass	
Tuesday 10th	Requiem Mass	1100	*Ann Jones* ✠
Wednesday 11th	St Martin of Tours	No Mass	
Thursday 12th	St Josaphat	1830	
Friday 13th	Feria	1000	*Eileen* ✠

33rd Sunday of the Year

Saturday 14th		1600	Confessions
		1730	*Margaret & Anthony McDonald* ✠
Sunday 15th		0800	*Pro Populo*
		1000	*Dalton Family* ✠

Confessions Saturday at 4 pm, or ***by appointment after any Mass***. *Confession is one of the greatest gifts of the Church. If you are at all anxious about Confession, please speak to Fr Andrew first.*

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Dates for your diary

10th November:	Parish History Talk: Fr Andrew (7pm in the Hall)
12th November:	Learning about the Faith (7pm in the Hall)
15th November:	Blessing of graves (after 10 am Mass)
17th November:	Parish History Talk: Fr John Morrill (7pm in Hall)
28th November:	Advent Day of Recollection (Hall)

Prayer Requests We pray for the sick: Fatima Anja, Emanuel Calenti, Patricia & Vittorio Cocuccio, Alicya Frydryk, Hazel Fullbrook, Maureen Huggett, Ann Jones, Theresa Lescott, Piotr Majewski, Sheila Sheppard, Madeline Tanner, and Clive Townsend. We remember in our prayers those who have died recently, and their families and friends: Luna Freitas, Ann Griffin, Fr Dick Healey, Shirley Hewett, Albert Huggett, Ann Jones, Greg Warwick and Mirella Zubacz..

◦ **Mass Cards.** We now have our own parish **Mass Cards**, for those who do not use a Missal. They are also easier to follow for those who have not been to Mass before.

◦ **Financial support of the Church**. Last week's collection £336 plus £95 in Gift Aid. Thank you for supporting the Lord and His Church!

◦ **Gift aid**. Please consider Gift Aiding your donations. For every £1 you donate to the parish each week, we can reclaim 25p from the taxman. It is a very big help for the parish, and doesn't cost you anything!

◦ **Donating by card.** In the church porch we now have a **card-reader** and tablet so that donations can be made via card. You can make your weekly offering, or give donations for Mass intentions or candles.

◦ The **Bible study** group next meets on **Monday 9th November at 7pm** in the hall – all welcome.

◦ **Learning about the faith.** Our evening classes for anyone who is interested in becoming a Catholic, and for any existing Catholics who would like to know more about their faith, take place **fortnightly on Thursday evenings**. The next class is **Thursday November 12th** at **7pm** in the Hall, and the subject is 'The person of Jesus Christ'.

◦ **First Holy Communion. Registrations are open** for **First Holy Communion** classes. These are for children who will be 7 and upwards in June 2027. Classes begin on **Sunday 22nd November** and will take place on Sunday mornings after Mass. If you would like to register please fill out a registration form, available at the back of the church and on the website.

◦ **Celebrating our parish history**. This month (November) we have events related to our parish history: an exhibition of parish history in the Hall, and two talks on Catholic History by Fr Andrew (**Nov 10th**) and by Fr John Morrill (**Nov 17th**). Do put the dates in your diary.

◦ **Next Sunday (15th)** after the 10 am Mass we will have the traditional **Blessing of Graves**. Fr Andrew will bless the graves at the church, and then go to the cemetery and bless any parish graves there. If you have a loved one whose grave you would like blessed, please let the clergy know.

◦ At the end of November we will have an **Advent Day of Recollection** to prepare ourselves for the great season of Advent: **Saturday 28th November 10 am to 3 pm** in the Hall.

◦ The results of the **November 26 Club draw** are: 1st #50 John Robinson; 2nd #41 John Connelly; 3rd #59 Jo Lewis. Well done everyone – please collect your prizes from Deacon Justin.

◦ **November is the Month of the Holy Souls,** when we pray especially for our departed friends and loved ones who are journeying towards the eternal light of God. As Catholics we believe that although those who have died are separated from us physically, they remain connected to us as members of the Church, the Body of Christ. Jesus Christ has conquered death, and so all of us who are part of the Body of Christ remain a part of that body even after our earthly life comes to a close. Following the example of Scripture and tradition, we pray for all the faithful departed during this month, offer Mass for them, and take time to tend their graves. Don't forget to make a Mass request for the Holy Souls!