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**LITURGY**

**First reading:** 1 Kings 17:10-16

**Response to the Psalm:** My soul give praise to the Lord.

**Second reading:** Hebrews 9:24-28

**Gospel Acclamation:** Alleluia, Alleluia, Even if you have to die, says the Lord, keep faithful, and I will give you life. Alleluia!

**Gospel:** Mark 12:38-44



**Dear Parishioners**

St Mark tells us Jesus was in the Temple watching people. The poor widow who came to make her gift to the Temple treasury did not know she was being watched.

This widow does nothing for show, her generosity is spontaneous. Her kind of generosity is only possible after a lifetime of giving, after decades of small deeds of charity, small acts of fidelity, of obedience and self-renunciation. How does Jesus know how much people are putting into the treasury? The treasury was not in fact a chest or a box; it was a row of trumpet shaped metal containers into which you flung your money. It would make a noise as it went down. The rich are making a big splash because they are conspicuously flinging in large sums so that everybody can hear and be aware of what they are giving. The poor widow's two coins do not make much noise. They do not attract much attention, except perhaps pity that she has so little. St Mark gives us an interesting little detail that does not come across in the English translation. He uses a special tense of the verb to describe what the widow does. She gives once and for all.. She has laid her life on the line in this gift. She has become an icon of Christ, a living image of the Saviour. What else does he do on the cross but put his whole living, his life at our disposal. He gives all that he has for us. The widow gives all that she has for God.

God gives all he has, his precious Son, for us.

**God Bless, Fr. Benedict OSB**

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**Parish Priest: Fr. Benedict Thompson O.S.B**

**Rev. Deacon Peter Griffiths**



**32<sup>nd</sup> Week Year (B)**

**Week commencing Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> November 2021**

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### Masses

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|----------------------------|-----|---------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| Sat 6 <sup>th</sup> Nov.   | 5pm | <b>32<sup>nd</sup> Sunday<br/>(Year B)</b>        | Kathleen & John<br>O'Brien RIP |
| Sun 7 <sup>th</sup> Nov    |     | <b>32<sup>nd</sup> Sunday<br/>(Year B)</b>        | People of the Parish           |
| Mon 8 <sup>th</sup> Nov.   |     |                                                   |                                |
| Tues 9 <sup>th</sup> Nov.  |     | <b>Dedication of the<br/>Lateran Basilica (F)</b> | Edita Gruberova RIP            |
| Wed 10 <sup>th</sup> Nov.  |     | St. Leo the Great (m)                             |                                |
| Thur 11 <sup>th</sup> Nov. |     | <b>St. Martin of Tours<br/>(F)</b>                | Nelson Freire RIP              |
| Fri 12 <sup>th</sup> Nov.  |     |                                                   |                                |
| Sat 13 <sup>th</sup> Nov.  | 5pm | <b>33<sup>rd</sup> Sunday<br/>(Year B)</b>        | Tony Lyons RIP                 |
| Sun 14 <sup>th</sup> Nov   |     | <b>33<sup>rd</sup> Sunday<br/>(Year B)</b>        | People of the Parish           |

**Mass is celebrated privately daily.**

**If you would like a mass offered for a particular intention, please email the parish or put a note through the door of the presbytery.**

**Those Who Have Asked for Prayers:**

Derek Sollis, , Georgette Cowell, Dolores Flynn, Fred Chadfield. Mary Cross, Alan Clatworthy, Anthony Woodhouse, Chanel Mullings, Clive Rickhards

**Those who have recently died: ,**

Richard Flynn, Denis Charlton, Mary Gardner, Charles Maries, Sheila Hall, Donald Newell, Helen Meaney Bridget Clarke, Sylvia Flanagan, Robert McCarthy, Pamela Young, Norah O'Neill-Thomas, Susanna Westmeath, Nell Bridge. Doleen Evans, Jean Monica Tucker, Fr. John Fallon, Judy Husband Graham Janes, Elizabeth Watton, Maurice Andrews, Max Stoddart. Tony Lyons.

**Parish Safeguarding: Mrs. Helen Woodhouse**

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**PRAYER FOR A SPIRITUAL COMMUNION**

My Jesus, I believe that You are present  
in this Holy Sacrament of the altar.  
I love You above all things  
and I passionately desire  
to receive You into my soul.



Since I cannot now receive You sacramentally,  
come spiritually into my soul  
so that I may unite myself wholly to You  
now and forever. Amen

*Based on a prayer of St Alphonsus Liguori*

**INFORMATION**

**Prayers for the Sick**

If you wish to have someone added or removed to/from the prayer list please let Father know and keep him informed as the list will be updated every three months. Thank you