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Sat. morning after Mass;  
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evening; or by  
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## EMERGENCY PRAYER

LINES 9 A.M. - 9 P.M.

276577, 351499,  
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## THE PILGRIM

[pilgrim@saintlaurence.org.uk](mailto:pilgrim@saintlaurence.org.uk)

## 19TH NOVEMBER

6.00 p.m. Vigil Mass (Lea Stewart Langley [sick])

### 33RD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

8.00 a.m. Mass  
9.30 a.m. Mass in School (Parish)  
11.00 a.m. Mass (Rev. Fr. Julian Black+)

5.00 p.m. Ablaze Mass

Monday 20th November St. Edmund  
9.30 a.m. Mass (Ken Hutson & Parnis family)

Tuesday 21st November The Presentation of the BVM  
9.30 a.m. Mass (Nicholas+ & Bridgettamma+)

Wednesday 22nd November St. Cecilia  
9.30 a.m. Mass

Thursday 23rd November Feria  
9.30 a.m. Mass

Friday 24th November St. Andrew Dung-Lac P & comps.  
12.30 Mass (Ardeshir, Freddie & James Bolandi)

Saturday 25th November Feria  
9.30 a.m. Mass (Kay Wherle+)  
6.00 p.m. Vigil Mass (Mary McLaughlin+ & Angeline Rogel's int.)

### CHRIST THE KING (Youth Day)

8.00 a.m. Mass (Parish)  
9.30 a.m. Mass in School  
11.00 a.m. Mass (Jim Barrett+)

# SUNDAY READINGS



## **1st Reading: Proverbs 31: 10-13, 19-20. 30-31**

The woman described in this reading is 'beyond the price of pearls', for she does her work with eagerness and opens her arms to the needy around her.

## **Psalm Response**

O blessed are those who fear the Lord.

## **2nd Reading: 1 Thessalonians 5: 1-6**

Saint Paul tells us that he does not know when the Lord will return again. It is important that we should continue to be children of light rather than of darkness in the meantime.

## **Gospel: Matthew 25: 14-30**

Jesus tells the story of three men who receive money from their master. Two of them use it fruitfully and are rewarded, whereas the third fails to make any use of it and is condemned.

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### **N.B. Change of Mass Time**

**Every Wednesday from 13th December Mass will now be at 12.30 p.m. and NOT 9.30 a.m.**

## **Meet and Chat**

**This Monday 20th November 2 p.m. - 4 p.m.** in the parish room. If you would like a lift, please contact an SVP member or call **Liz** on **07771 613102**.

## **Baptism Preparation Evening**

**This Monday 20th November at 7.30 p.m.** we have a preparation session for parents, godparents or family members planning for or wanting more information about Baptism. Do come along - you will all be very welcome.

## **SVP**

The SVP would be grateful for Baby Milk formula "SMA stage 2" for over 6 months old. If you are able to help, please contact a member of the SVP, phone us on **07547 598735** or leave a tin in the Narthex clearly labelled. Thank you.

### **Ordination of Deacon Jay to the Priesthood Friday 8th December**

We will be hiring a Coach from St. Laurence's to St. John's Cathedral, Norwich on **Friday 8th December** leaving St. Laurence's at **4.15 p.m.** for Mass at **7.00 p.m.** If any parishioner would like to join us please leave your name with Pat at the Office or leave a message on the Answer Phone (**704640**). Thank you. Further details later.

### **House Masses during Advent**

If you live in Cambridge or any of the surrounding villages and would like to invite any friend(s) or neighbour(s) to a Mass in your home on **Monday 18th December** at **7.00 p.m.** please contact the Parish Office by phone **01223 704640**, email **office@saintlaurence.org.uk** or leave a message on the answerphone.

### **Remembering our deceased relatives, friends and members of our parish during November**

At the front of the Church, on the altar steps, you will find a book dated for November in which you are invited to **PRINT** the name of the deceased to be included in the prayers of the Mass for that day.

### **SVP Mass of Anointing - 3p.m. 25th November at St. Laurence's**

This will be followed by tea and cakes in the parish room. Anointing of the Sick is the Sacrament by which those who have health worries or bear the burden of the years, receive comfort, strength and the grace of healing. SVP is able to offer transport. If you need a lift please phone/text **07799 320331** or email **svp@saintlaurence.org.uk**

### **Catholic Womens' League, Cambridge Section**

The League are happy to welcome anyone who cares to come, not only to our **2nd Friday of the month lunches** but also to lunches **every Friday** after the **12.30 p.m. Mass** throughout Advent. The proceeds as ever will go to charities. It will be just soup and bread with none of Mary's delicious cakes during Advent!



Many thanks for your generous offering to the parish last week of **£973** plus **£637** each week by banker's order.

Last week's collection for **Cafod Connect 2:Peru** raised **£274**

### **Congratulations**

We welcomed into God's family through the Sacrament of Baptism **DEAN VINCENT PARAN**. *May he grow in the faith of Jesus Christ.*

Please pray for the soul of **PAULINE HUNT** whose Requiem will be celebrated on Friday 30th November at 12 noon. *May she rest in peace.*

### **World Day of the Poor**

In his message for the first World Day of the Poor to be celebrated on **19th November**, Pope Francis urges us, whatever our means or background, to unite in love, in acts of service to one another, and in genuine encounter. Some ways to do this in our Parish is to support **CAFOD** and our '**Pound for Peru**' campaign, volunteer for **SVP** ([svp@saintlaurence.org.uk](mailto:svp@saintlaurence.org.uk)), contribute to our **Advent Giving Tree** (details in later newsletters). Also, **OLEM** are looking for help with the **Cambridge Churches Homeless Project** in December - [parishcentre@olem.org.uk](mailto:parishcentre@olem.org.uk)

**Holy Hour** Exposition and Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament is every Wednesday **6.00 p.m. until 7.00 p.m.** All welcome even for just a few moments.

### **Soulfood Prayer Group**

Every **1st** and **3rd** Tuesdays at **8.00 p.m.** at St. Laurence's and every **2nd** and **4th** Tuesdays at **8.00 p.m.** in the Parish Hall of Our Lady & the English Martyrs church.

**Please pray for those whose anniversaries occur at this time:** Lawrence McCowey, John Farringdon, Paul Mansfield, Muriel Neville Sylvia Allman, Louise Auker, Christina Goldsmith, John Sheridan, Arthur Streets, Ellen Lane, Iwona Swirska, Kathleen Wehrle, Rev. Ronald Fawsitt.

**Also for those who are sick:** Louise McEwan, Martin Cox, Charles McEwan, Ruth Lindsey-Scott, Madeline Stacey, John Steel, Hyeyoen Kim, David Tomlinson, Patrick Hickey, Diogenes Da Costa, Kathie Scott, Marina Rowland, John Gannon, Teresa Brett, Angel Fernandez Garcia, Nora O'Reilly, Rebecca Londei and Portia Pedragosa.