

Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year C
25th-26th October 2025



Saint Michael Archangel,
defend us in battle,
be our protection against the
wickedness and snares of the
devil;
may God rebuke him,
we humbly pray;
and do thou, O Prince of the
heavenly host,
by the power of God,
cast into hell Satan and all the evil
spirits who prowl through the world
seeking the ruin of souls. Amen.

November, Month of the Holy Souls

Envelopes for names of your deceased loved ones are available this weekend. The box for you to place them in will be available in the church from the start of November. If you would like to include a donation, please do. Masses will be offered during November for these people.



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World Youth Day Lisbon 2023 - Where are they now?

Through donations and fundraising events, you may remember our Parish very generously sponsored four young pilgrims to World Youth Day in Lisbon in August 2023. At the final mass celebrated by the late Pope Francis, official estimates put the total of young pilgrims at 1.5 million from over 200 countries. Among them were Amelia, Beth, Jamie and Rayan from Our Lady and St Anne's in Caversham. Just over two years on, they wanted to express their gratitude once again and give you an update on where they are now, living out their Catholic faith.

Beth: We are lucky enough to regularly still see Beth's smiling face behind the counter serving coffee after mass. Not for much longer though, as in November she will continue her travels by heading Down Under to explore all that Australia has to offer. She'll be travelling around the country, meeting new people and saying yes to new adventures. She's definitely a little nervous about stepping into the unknown, but she's trusting God every step of the way and knows He's got her through it all. It is a source of great comfort to her that wherever she goes, she can seek to find comfort in the familiarity of a Catholic church, thanks to our wonderful Universal faith.

Jamie: Jamie is now in his third year at the University of Sussex, studying economics. The vibrant atmosphere of Brighton is akin to the one in Lisbon, and is a constant reminder of the incredible memories from WYD. His favourite memory of all, was the night under the stars among the 1.5 million young pilgrims eagerly anticipating the arrival of His Holiness the following morning. He attends mass at the beautiful meeting house on campus and of course whenever he's at home, here at St Anne's.

To be continued

Blessing of Graves at Henley Rd

Fr Joe and some of the Reading priests will be blessing graves at Henley Road Cemetery on Sunday 9th November at 2pm.



Rest in Peace

Please pray for the repose of the soul of Teresa Manning – funeral here at Our Lady & St Anne at 11am on Friday 7th November.

May she rest in peace and those who mourn her find comfort.

World Mission Sunday Second Collection

This will be taken this weekend, 25-26 Oct. Pope Leo XIV asks people in every Catholic parish around the world to support Missio, his charity for World Mission.



Parish Advent Carol Service

A time of spiritual preparation with Advent readings and carols to support us as we watch and wait for the coming of the Kingdom of God.

Thurs 18th December in the church, at 7.30pm. All welcome. Followed by festive refreshments.

Weekly income 18-19th October

C'less:	£ 200.00
Loose	£ 319.95
Candles	£ 29.30
Wedding donation	£ 100.00
Our Lady's Lamp	£ 20.00
200 club	£ 20.00

Weekly S Orders: £820.00

St Anne's Catholic Primary School

Prospective parents and carers are warmly invited to visit St Anne's Catholic Primary school, where faith, learning and community come together in a nurturing environment. Come and see on:

4th November - 9.15am

25th November - 1.30pm

Included in the visit:

- ❖ a guided tour of the school
- ❖ meeting with the Headteacher and dedicated staff
- ❖ chance to hear from current pupils
- ❖ chance to explore EYFS, KS1 and KS2

To book, contact school on:

Tel: 01189375537

email admin@stannes.reading.sch.uk

website: www.st-annes.reading.sch.uk



Dates for your diary:

- Blessing of Graves at Henley Road Sunday 9th November 2 pm,
- Parish Annual Bereavement Mass Thursday 20th November, 7.30pm
- Tamesis Chamber Choir "Advent into Christmas" Sunday 4th December
- 4-6pm, here at Our Lady & St Anne church. Tickets £14, £5 children/student in full time education available at [Tamesis Advent into Christmas](#)
- Parish Advent Carol Service Thursday 18th November, 7.30pm with festive refreshments

Saint Vincent De Paul Society

The Saint Vincent de Paul Society are celebrating Harvest Festival during October with a focus on collecting non perishable food items (tinned vegetables, tinned fruit). All items will be donated to The Weller Centre and distributed into our local community. Please help where you can. One extra tin in your shopping will help put a meal on the table for a family struggling. Thank you for your continued support.



Change of office hours

Starting on 3rd November, the office hours will be changing. The office will be open from 9am to 2pm on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday.



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Mass intentions

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Saturday	25 th October	4.30pm	<i>Confession</i>
		5.30pm	Teresa Manning RIP
Sunday	26 th October	10.00am	People of the parish
Monday	27 th October	9.15am	Thgvg Our Lady & St Anne
Tuesday	28 th October	No Mass	
Wednesday	29 th October	6.30pm	Maureen & Michael Kelly RIP
Thursday	30 th October	9.15am	
Friday	31 st October	No Mass	

Thirty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time

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Saturday	1 st November	4.30pm	<i>Confession</i>
		5.30 pm	People of the parish
Sunday	2 nd November	10.00am	In thanksgiving



OUR LADY'S LAMP

No dedication this week.

Evening Prayer
before Saturday
Mass, approx.
4.45pm.
Everybody is welcome.



The Parish operates in accordance with Statutory Safeguarding Guidance and the National and Archdioceses policies & procedures at all times. Our Parish Safeguarding Representatives are **Sue Houghton** and **Julia Feeney**. They can be contacted at: sg.ol.stanne.caversham@rcaob.org.uk or alternatively the Diocesan Safeguarding team can be contacted on 0121 230 6240/ safeguarding@rcaob.org.uk if you have any concern.