

Waterside Catholic Parish St Bernard's & St Michael's

Parish Diary week commencing Sunday 19th November 2023, Week 33 in Ordinary Time.



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Date	Weekday	Mass Time	Where	Days	Proper	
19-11-23	Sunday	9am	St Bernard's	Sunday	Mass Proper	
19-11-23	Sunday	11am	St Michael's	Sunday	Mass Proper	
20-11-23	Monday	9am	St Bernard's	Weekday	Feria	
21-11-23	Tuesday	9am	St Michael's	Weekday	The Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary,	
22-11-23	Wednesday	9am	St Bernard's	Weekday	All musicians in the Diocese	
23-11-23	Thursday	9am	St Michael's	Weekday	Feria	
24-11-23	Friday	No Mass	Churches available	Private Prayers	St Andrew Dung-Lac, Priest, & Companions	
25-11-23	Saturday	9am	St Michael's	Weekday	Our Lady on Saturday	
26-11-23	Sunday	9am	St Bernard's	Sunday	Mass Proper	
26-11-23	Sunday	11am	St Michaels	Sunday	Mass Proper	

We welcome Father Paul Lyons to St Bernard's and St Michael's Churches today. Father Paul will be celebrating our Sunday Masses.

The parish office is now open every Tuesday and Thursday between 10.30am–12.30pm.

Andrea or Angela will be there and delighted to see you if you want to pop in during that time.

Last week	s Collections	A warm welcome:		
St Bernard's	£86.25	We warmly welcome all our parishioners & visitors to St Bernard's & St Michael's. Please join us for some refreshments after 9am Mass on		
St Michael's	£106.20			
Envelopes	£194.00	Sunday at St Bernard's, after 9am Mass on Tuesday at St Michael's & after Rosary on Wednesday at St Bernard's.		
Bamenda Collection	£13.00			
Direct to bank for October	£1,614.80	Refreshments after Mass on Sunday are kindly provided with the assistance of our wonderful volunteers, whom we		
Cooking with Fe	£40.00	cannot thank enough.		
American Supper & Quiz	£291.00			

**** SATURDAY 2ND DECEMBER ****

WATERSIDE PARISH GRAND DRAW

Do you have anything you could donate as a prize for the draw?

For example:

Surplus presents, Chocolates and biscuits

Do you have a friend or acquaintance who could ask their

work for a voucher or experience prize

Please leave any donations at the back of the church

In our increasingly cashless society we recognise that online giving is becoming more popular. Forms for a monthly standing order are available from the back of the churches or if you prefer the flexibility of donating weekly please do feel welcome to donate directly into the Parish account.

Sort Code: 30-93-04 Account no: 00880001

Account name: CDP Waterside St Michael & St Bernard.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

STARTING TUESDAY 28TH NOVEMBER

ADVENT PRAYER GROUP

A weekly gathering throughout Advent at St Bernard's church hall.

7.30pm

Everyone welcome (we have tea & coffee too)

A Message from the SPUC

Justice for Baby Lily: Why the Pills by Post abortion policy must end.

SPUC has launched a major new postcard campaign calling in the Health Secretary to bring an end to the pills by post abortion policy. Postcards are available at the back of the church for you to sign. Please add your name to this crucially important campaign. The parish office is a little distance from the church doors, which means we cannot always hear anyone knocking who wants to see us.

We have a solution—there is now a doorbell on the Church Hall doors, which we hope will make it easier for you to get our attention.

Angela & Andrea

Ocean Harmony

20th Anniversary Celebration Charity Concert

In aid of Mind Solent—New Forest Well-being Centre

Ocean Harmony is a men's barbershop chorus, based near Southampton on the edge of the New Forest in Hampshire.

They love to sing popular songs, show tunes and timeless classics in the barbershop style and have fun doing it.

They regularly perform barbershop and contemporary a cappella songs at private functions, local charity events and in the wider community.

Tickets are on sale now for their charity concert on January 13th 2024 at Hanger Farm Arts Centre.

Tickets are available now from https:// hangerfarm.ticketsolve.com/ticketbooth/ shows/1173650728

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The Gospel's compassionate outlook leads us to serve those who are poor, excluded, outcast, discarded, frail, and defenceless – those most beloved of God, who made Himself poor for us (2 Cor 8:9). They are the Church's true treasure. They are God's "favourites"!

We keep in our prayers the sick and housebound members of the parish:

John Allen, Pauline Moore, Mike Slipper and Paola McCarthy

To comply with GDPR legislation, the express permission of the sick parishioner is needed before inclusion in this part of the Parish newsletter Registration forms are available at both churches.

IN MEMORIAM

We pray for the dear departed of the parish and for those whose anniversaries occur this week

19th Richard Hodges (1982), Helen Eileen Kenny (2015)
21st Marion Elmer (1997), Leo Chapman (1998)
22nd Georgette Parris (1994), Joseph Farelly (2006)
24th Margaret Blacklock (1994), Helena Stolarczyk (2016)

Pious tradition holds that Jesus promised St. Gertrude that a thousand souls would be released from purgatory each time the following prayer is said devoutly: "Eternal Father, I offer You the Most Precious Blood of Your Divine Son, Jesus, in union with the Masses said throughout the world today, for all the Holy Souls in Purgatory, for sinners everywhere, for sinners in the universal church, those in my own home and within my family. Amen."



Last weeks' Poppy arrangement at St Bernard's.

We are so fortunate in our parish to have such talented ladies who give their time and creativity to enhance our Churches with such beautiful arrangements.

I regret that I did not get a chance to photograph the flowers at St Michael's, but I have no doubt they were just as beautiful.

If I may take a moment to make a personal request, please do feel free to send me photographs for inclusion in the newsletter, be they events we're holding or a particularly beautiful flower arrangement that you think should be shared with the whole parish.

If you have something you would like included in the newsletter, please email office@watersideparish.org.uk.

Waterside Parish Grand Christmas Draw

The Kids Bulletin

Thank you for all your efforts so far in donating prizes and selling the raffle tickets.

Prizes are still being accepted at both churches if you have not yet donated, but want to.

The deadline for returning your sold raffle tickets is next **Sunday, November 26th.**

Spare books of raffle tickets are available if you have sold all yours but need extra.

The younger members of our parish have their own newsletter now.

The Kids Bulletin highlights each weeks Gospel reading in a fun and easy understand format with games and riddles.

It is sent out weekly with the emailed newsletter and is available from the back of both churches.

MASS READINGS FOR THE 33rd SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

First Reading: Proverbs 31:10-13,19-20,30-31

A perfect wife – who can find her? She is far beyond the price of pearls. Her husband's heart has confidence in her, from her he will derive no little profit. Advantage and not hurt she brings him all the days of her life. She is always busy with wool and with flax, she does her work with eager hands. She sets her hands to the distaff, her fingers grasp the spindle. She holds out her hand to the poor, she opens her arms to the needy. Charm is deceitful, and beauty empty; the woman who is wise is the one to praise. Give her a share in what her hands have worked for, and let her works tell her praises at the city gates.

Responsorial Psalm: **Psalm 127(128):1-5** *O* blessed are those who fear the Lord.

Second Reading: 1 Thessalonians 5: 1-6

You will not be expecting us to write anything to you, brothers, about 'times and seasons', since you know very well that the Day of the Lord is going to come like a thief in the night. It is when people are saying, 'How quiet and peaceful it is' that the worst suddenly happens, as suddenly as labour pains come on a pregnant woman; and there will be no way for anybody to evade it. But it is not as if you live in the dark, my brothers, for that Day to overtake you like a thief. No, you are all sons of light and sons of the day: we do not belong to the night or to darkness, so we should not go on sleeping, as everyone else does, but stay wide awake and sober.

Gospel Acclimation: Alleluia, Alleluia! Make your home in me, as I make mine in you, says the Lord,

whoever remains in me bears fruit in plenty. Alleluia!

Gospel: Matthew 25: 14-30

Jesus spoke this parable to his disciples: 'The kingdom of Heaven is like a man on his way abroad who summoned his servants and entrusted his property to them. To one he gave five talents, to another two, to a third one; each in proportion to his ability. Then he set out. 'The man who had received the five talents promptly went and traded with them and made five more. The man who had received two made two more in the same way. But the man who had received one went off and dug a hole in the ground and hid his master's money. 'Now a long time after, the master of those servants came back and went through his accounts with them. The man who had received the five talents came forward bringing five more. "Sir," he said "you entrusted me with five talents; here are five more that I have made." 'His master said to him, "Well done, good and faithful servant; you have shown you can be faithful in small things, I will trust you with greater; come and join in your master's happiness." 'Next the man with the two talents came forward. "Sir," he said "you entrusted me with two talents; here are two more that I have made." His master said to him, "Well done, good and faithful servant; you have shown you can be faithful in small things, I will trust you with greater; come and join in your master's happiness." 'Last came forward the man who had the one talent. "Sir," said he "I had heard you were a hard man, reaping where you have not sown and gathering where you have not scattered; so I was afraid, and I went off and hid your talent in the ground. Here it is; it was yours, you have it back." But his master answered him, "You wicked and lazy servant! So you knew that I reap where I have not sown and gather where I have not scattered? Well then, you should have deposited my money with the bankers, and on my return I would have recovered my capital with interest. So now, take the talent from him and give it to the man who has the five talents. For to everyone who has will be given more, and he will have more than enough; but from the man who has not, even what he has will be taken away. As for this good-for-nothing servant, throw him out into the dark, where there will be weeping and grinding of teeth."

Communion Antiphon: I tell you solemnly, whatever you ask for in prayer, believe that you have received it, and it will be yours, says the Lord.