# St Columba’s Church, Selsdon

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**10 NOVEMBER 2024 – 32ND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME, YEAR B**

**TODAY'S MASS READINGS** There will be a second collection for the Archbishop`s Appeal

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

**First Reading:** Kings 17:10-16

**Responsorial 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 the crown of life. Alleluia!

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

**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.

**THIS WEEK’S MASSES**

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| **Date** | **Mass** | **Time** | **Intention** |
| Sun 10 Nov | 32nd SUNDAY OF THE YEAR  *Remembrance Sunday* | 6pm (Sat) | Fr. Christopher Greaney, RIP |
| 9am | Pro Populo |
| 11am | Dead of the two World Wars |
| Mon 11 Nov | St. Martin of Tours, Bishop | 11am | **Requiem: Terry Cronin** |
| Tues 12 Nov | St. Josaphat, Bishop & Martyr | 10am | Reparation |
| Wed 13 Nov | St. Francis Xavier Cabrini, Religious | 10am | Michael Tiong, RIP |
| Thurs 14 Nov | Weekday | **No Mass** |  |
| Fri 15 Nov | St. Albert the Great, Bishop & Doctor | 10.45am | **Requiem: Joan Mills** |
| Sat 16 Nov | St. Edmund of Abingdon, Bishop | 10.30am | Marcus Vagt, RIP |
| Sun 17 Nov | 33rd SUNDAY OF THE YEAR  *World Day of the Poor* | 6pm (Sat) | Sienna Coates |
| 9am | Agnes Wei, RIP |
| 11am | Pro Populo |

* Weekday Masses are preceded by Morning Prayer (at 9.40am) except on Monday and Friday.
* Tuesday`s Mass is followed by Exposition (with Benediction) until 11am.
* Friday’s Mass is followed by the Rosary.
* There are devotions to Our Lady on Saturday at 10am.
* Confessions: Saturday after the 10.30am Mass and from 5.30-5.45pm.

**MONEY MATTERS** 2/3 November: basket £505.70 (Gift Aid £249.50), card machines £228 (Gift Aid £155). Thank you. Today there will be a second collection for the Archbishop`s Appeal which funds three key mission areas: Youth & Evangelisation, Our Faith in Action, and Clergy Care & Formation.

**CONFIRMATION** The final session (apart from the rehearsal) will take place on Tuesday (the 12th) in the church at 7pm. The supervising parents are Bertram and Paul.

**BLESSING OF GRAVES** It takes place at Greenlawn Memorial Park, Warlingham, CR6 9EQ, today (Sunday) at 3pm.

**REQUIEMS AND CREMATIONS**

The Requiem Mass for Terence David Cronin, will be celebrated here at 11am tomorrow (Monday) followed by cremation at Croydon Crematorium (West Chapel) at 1pm.

The Requiem Mass for Joan Ellen Mills will be celebrated here at 10.45am on Friday (the 15th), followed by cremation at Croydon Crematorium (East Chapel) at 12.45pm.

A cremation service for Richard Frank Sudsbury, husband of Beatrice, who died on 26 October, aged 78, will take place at Croydon Crematorium (East Chapel) on 2 December at 12.45pm.

The Requiem Mass for Basil (Bas) Williams, 81, a former parishioner and husband of Linda, who moved earlier this year to Kent, will take place at St Andrew’s, Tenterden, at 11am on Thursday (the 14th).

*Eternal rest grant to them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May they rest in peace. Amen.*

**NEXT WEEKEND’S READERS, BIDDING PRAYERS WRITER & EUCHARISTIC MINISTER** Readers: Saturday 6pm Geraldine, Sunday 9am Mike, 11am Sybille. Bidding Prayers: Malliga. Eucharistic minister 9am Mass: n/a.

**NOVEMBER – THE MONTH OF ALL SOULS** This is an opportunity to pray for all those who are in Purgatory and preparing for Heaven. Use the small white envelopes provided to list the names of deceased loved ones for whom you would like prayers then place them in the Holy Souls box. (The names of those who have had funerals celebrated here are inscribed in books on display in the Sacred Heart Chapel – one lost during Covid has been rediscovered.)

 **THE NATIONAL LOTTERY COMMUNITY FUND** They are supporting our hall refurbishment with a grant of £20,000 - huge thanks to them. Work is likely to be complete by 22 November, when community and parish activities may resume in full. Any hall use before then needs to be with great care due to wet paint on doors in the kitchen, hall and lobby area during the week 18-22 November. We then look forward to the church ceiling being renewed in January when we may need to use the hall for Mass.

**COLOMA CONVENT GIRLS’ SCHOOL** They are holding their annual Remembrance Mass at 4pm on November 21: all former students and staff and relatives of deceased former students and staff are welcome to attend.

**MARY'S MEALS** BuyingyourChristmas presents, from gift cards to mugs, from their online shop supports their vital work to bring food, education and hope to hungry children across the world. Check out their website at: [www.marysmeals.org.uk/shop<http://www.marysmeals.org.uk/shop](http://www.marysmeals.org.uk/shop%3chttp://www.marysmeals.org.uk/shop)>

**ST COLUMBA'S SOCIAL & COMMUNITY GROUP** Do invite everyone to our first event, a Christmas Mini Fayre & Social on 1 December from 10am-1pm. There will be various stalls run by our parish groups and delicious refreshments. There is a box in the church porch for donations of bottles; jewellery, tombola and raffle prizes. Please bring cakes on the day. *No bric’a’brac, books, dvd’s or plants, thank you.*

**HELP ST COLUMBA’S** **BY SHOPPING ONLINE** Buying something online? Anything? If so you can help St Columba’s at no cost to yourself. Just visit [www.easyfundraising.org.uk](http://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/), register (which is quick and easy) and then shop online wherever and whenever you choose. Each time you then buy anything online (after clicking on the easyfundraising link), a donation is made to St Columba’s. There are more than 4,000 retailers to choose from.

**FOOD BANK** Please help. Most urgent needs are: soup, tinned meats (meals), pasta sauce, tinned fruit, tinned veg, pasta, tuna, porridge/oats and other cereals, toilet rolls, bleach and washing-up liquid. Thank you for your support.

**CAFÉ COLUMBA - CHRISTMAS LUNCH** It’s on 11 December at 12:30pm, £14 per person. Sign up now on the list in the porch. There are a few places left… Choose between a traditional Christmas dinner and a vegetarian option with Christmas pudding or fresh fruit salad for dessert. Wine included plus a welcome drink and entertainment.

**SAYING GOODBYE** A baby loss remembrance and support service organised by the Mariposa Trust will take place at 3.30pm on 24 November in the Central Hall, Westminster. It is for those who have lost babies at any stage of pregnancy, at birth or in infancy. For more details visit: [www.sayinggoodbye.org](http://www.sayinggoodbye.org)

**NATIVITY FUN RUN** Organised by CAFOD, it’s on 7 December on Clapham Common.  Registration 10am by the bandstand; start 11am. All are welcome. For more details and sign-up see: cafod.org.uk/nativityfunrun

**PRAY FOR THE SICK AND NEEDY** Rob Adams, Jean-Claude Anthony, Alice Barclay, Maria Baretto, Rene Barrett, John Belli, Florinda & Simon Cardoso, Maureen Coffey, Joan D`Souza, Vera de Souza, Una Dunne, Irena Dziewulak, Eoin Egan, Bernardo, Manuel & Maria Fernandes, Judy Freegard, Joan Hammett, Prema Meeweller, Tony Melvin, Veronica Moor, Jill & Jim O`Donnell, Pedrinha Ramos, Elida Scasso, Sean Walsh and Jacqueline Wheatley. Others for whom we pray are: Margaret Bolton, Ann Brennan, Mike Goodwin, Michael Medhurst, Christopher Onyeachom, Jonathan Raki, Kathleen Sampson, Michael Skinner, Pat Taylor, David Wallace, Linda & Michael Watson and Magdalene Wong.

**SAFEGUARDING** Our four Parish Safeguarding Reps are: Gill Tomei [email selsdonsg1@safeguardrcaos.org.uk](mailto:email%20selsdonsg1@safeguardrcaos.org.uk) Richard Mills E: [selsdonsg3@safeguardrcaos.org.uk](mailto:selsdonsg3@safeguardrcaos.org.uk) Clare Morgado E: [selsdonsg2@safeguardrcaos.org.uk](mailto:selsdonsg2@safeguardrcaos.org.uk) and Patsy McFarlane E: [selsdonsg4@safeguardrcaos.org.uk](mailto:selsdonsg4@safeguardrcaos.org.uk) You can also contact the Diocesan Safeguarding Coordinator on 020 7261 1606. If you need help, information or advice concerning possible safeguarding issue involving children or vulnerable adults, contact any of the above. Your concerns will be dealt with discreetly and efficiently. For more information about Safeguarding please see the posters in the porch and church hall.