# St Columba’s Church, Selsdon

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**6 OCTOBER 2024 – 27th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME, YEAR B**

**THIS SUNDAY’S MASS READINGS** The national Mass count continues (week no.3)

**Entrance Antiphon:** Within your will, O Lord, all things are established, and there is none that can resist your will. For you have made all things, the heaven and the earth, and all that is held within the circle of heaven; you are the Lord of all.

**First Reading:** Genesis 2:18-24

**Responsorial Psalm:** May the Lord bless us all the days of our life.

**Second Reading:** Hebrews 2:9-11

**Gospel Acclamation:** Alleluia, alleluia! Your word is truth, O Lord, consecrate us in the truth. Alleluia!

**Gospel:** Mark 10:2-16

**Communion Antiphon:** The Lord is good to those who hope in him, to the soul that seeks him.

**THIS WEEK’S MASSES**  Second collection today (Sunday) for CAFOD

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| **Date** | **Mass** | **Time** | **Intention** |
| Sun 6 Oct | 27th SUNDAY OF THE YEAR  *Rosary Sunday* | 6pm (Sat) | Sidney Charman, RIP |
| 9am | Pro Populo |
| 11am | Annette Goldsmith, RIP |
| Mon 7 Oct | Our Lady of the Rosary | 10am | Death anniversary |
| Tues 8 Oct | Weekday | 10am | Jesus & Juana Malenab, RIP |
| Wed 9 Oct | St. John Henry Newman, Priest | 10am | Betty Shurgold, RIP |
| Thurs 10 Oct | St. Paulinus of York, Bishop | **No Mass** |  |
| Fri 11 Oct | St. John XXIII, Pope | 10am | Sienna Coates |
| Sat 12 Oct | St. Wilfrid, Bishop | 10.30am | O`Dowd Family – well-being |
| Sun 13 Oct | 28th SUNDAY OF THE YEAR  *Day of Prayer for Prisoners and their Families* | 6pm (Sat) | Beverly-Ann Charman, RIP |
| 9am | EB well-being |
| 11am | Pro Populo |

* Weekday Masses are preceded by Morning Prayer (at 9.40am).
* 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** 28/29 September: basket £656.75 (Gift Aid £311.31), card machines £155 (Gift Aid £110). Thank you for your generosity. Today, following the Harvest Fast Day on Friday, there will be a second collection for CAFOD.

**REPOSITORY** Frances, who has looked after our repository shop for many years, wishes to retire so we`ll need one or two people to replace her. The tasks are not onerous as all the ordering is undertaken through the parish office. If anyone is interested please approach Frances or Fr Julian or Deacon Philip.

**MASS INTENTIONS** After the summer hiatus, when there were few intentions, it seems that many people would now like Masses to be said, and there is now a backlog of at least two months. If you would like a Mass said in December, now is the time to book it – please use the small brown envelopes available in the porch. Thank you.

**CONFIRMATION** Classes continue on Tuesday (the 8th) at 7pm. The supervising parents are Cindy and Charmaine.

**PARISH ACTIVITIES** In view of the hall refurbishment there will no further activities scheduled until the work is complete (late October/early November).

**NEXT WEEKEND’S READERS, BIDDING PRAYERS WRITER & EUCHARISTIC MINISTER** Readers: Saturday 6pm Geraldine, Sunday 9am Manfred, 11am Sybille. Bidding Prayers: Martin. Eucharistic minister 9am Mass: Maria.

**HALL & CHURCH REFURBISHMENT** The new kitchen is virtually complete. Replacement of ceiling tiles and installation of insulation in the church will not start until the New Year – at least this avoids disruption over Christmas. However, disruption there will be: We just need to ‘keep calm and carry on’!

**WOLDINGHAM SCHOOL** The sixth form open evening is on Thursday (the 10th) from 5.30pm – there is a new library and sixth form centre. For more information visit [www.woldinghamschool.co.uk](http://www.woldinghamschool.co.uk)

**COUNTRY WALK** It’s a lovely circular route taking in Downe village and Cuckoo Wood. We start promptly at 10.15am on 19 October from Cuckoo Wood car park, High Elms, Orpington BR6 7JL with a stop halfway at the Queens Head pub for lunch around 12.30. There are a couple of stiles and a short uphill section but it’s very straightforward.

**PARISH READERS & EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS** Find out about the new translation of the Lectionary, coming into use on November 30, by attending an introductory day on 19 October, 11am-4pm at Sacred Heart church, Wimbledon. Refreshments will be provided but take a packed lunch. Register via [wimbledon@rcaos.org.uk](mailto:wimbledon@rcaos.org.uk%3c)

**SOCIAL COMMITTEE** Would you like to join the NEW parish social committee? All are welcome – as are ideas and suggestions for social events in the parish. Interested? Then please contact Gill Tomei on [g.tomei@btopenworld.com](mailto:g.tomei@btopenworld.com)

**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.

**VISIT FATIMA** Dates are 28-31 October; cost £399 per adult, £299 per child. This trip is led by Fr Stephen Boyle. Flights out are from Gatwick, returning via Stansted. For more details email [dartford@rcaos.org.uk](mailto:dartford@rcaos.org.uk) or phone 01322 220075. This guided pilgrimage includes half-board accommodation and coach from/to Lisbon to Fatima and visit to Santarem. Insurance is not included. There is also a place left on a pilgrimage to Fatima on 21-24 October.

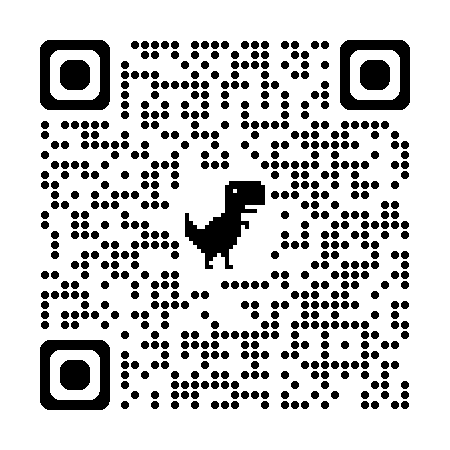
**SHRINE OF SAINT JUDE** It’s at Whitefriars, Tanners Street, Faversham, Kent. There will be Mass followed by anointing on 26October at 12.30pm, 2.30pm and 4.30pm; the 27th at 12.30pm and the 28th at 12.30pm. For details phone 01795 539214, visit [www.stjudeshrine.org.uk](http://www.stjudeshrine.org.uk) or email [shrineoffice@stjudeshrine.org.uk](mailto:shrineoffice@stjudeshrine.org.uk). All are welcome.

**ST PHILOMENA’S SCHOOL** It has a vacancy for an acting Catholic social justice coordinator, a non-teaching position, from November until October 2025. The sixth form open evening takes place on Tuesday (the 8th) from 5-8pm. For details of both phone 020 8642 2025 or email enquiries@stphils.org.uk

**CATHOLIC CERTIFICATE IN RELIGIOUS STUDIES** You can apply (until November 4) to study for this internationally recognised qualification by visiting aec.rcaos.org.uk/ccrs It provides an understanding of the teaching of the Catholic faith. The CCRS is designed to support Abp John’s vision of missionary parishes and schools by cultivating an evangelistic spirit. Highly recommended.

**CARYLL LOFTUS** A former parishioner who moved away some years ago, Caryll, sadly, died recently. Her funeral will be at 11am on Wednesday (the 9th) at Our Lady of Ransom, 2-4 Grange Rd, Eastbourne. May she rest in peace.

**PRAY FOR THE SICK AND NEEDY** Rob Adams, Jean-Claude Anthony, Alice Barclay, Maria Baretto, Rene Barrett, John Belli, Florinda & Simon Cardoso, Maureen Coffey, Terry Cronin, 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, Richard Sudsbury, 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,.

**OUR PARISH WEBSITE** To access it, scan this image with the QR scanner on your smartphone. (Download one free of charge from the Google Play Store – on Android phones – or the Apple App Store – on Apple phones.) Once it’s downloaded, open the reader then scan this QR code with it. Our parish website will then automatically open on your phone giving you access to everything on the website: Mass and service times, contact details, rotas, the newsletter, details of forthcoming events, everything on the website. Easy! Try it…

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