



**THIRTY-THIRD SUNDAY – REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY**  
**SUNDAY 14<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER 2021**

**The After Life**

Apocalyptic literature arose in periods of strife and persecution. Two examples are the latter half of Daniel, written around 150 BC, and the Revelation of John, written during the Roman persecution of Christians at the end of the first century AD. Presented as God's revelations to the faithful who live in fear, they exhort people to remain true to God, who will not desert them. Usually a cataclysmic battle ensues between the forces of evil and God, who is the ultimate victor. A glorious ending is painted for those who remain true to God. Apocalyptic literature uses symbols easily recognizable to the audience but often strange to subsequent generations. Many of our images of heaven come from scenes at the end of Daniel and Revelation.

The reading from Daniel shows a shift in Jewish thinking about life after death. According to the Pentateuch and the prophets there was no afterlife. People lived on in the memories of their descendants and punishment and reward were carried out in subsequent generations. This is why God talks about blessings being carried into the thousandth generation of those who love God, while curses last through the third or fourth generation. (Notice the disparity in duration.) With the advent of unceasing persecution, however, some Jews developed a theology that allowed for God's reward or punishment to take place after death, when those who sleep in the dust of the earth shall awake." The idea of an afterlife would eventually call up images of fire, heavenly cities, deep pits and the names of the faithful written in the book of life.

There is a flavour of the apocalyptic in Mark's account of the Gospel this week. Cosmic reversals will occur, the Son of Man will come in the clouds to gather the elect, and heaven and earth will pass away. But Jesus assures us that his words will not pass away and the Father will be in control.



**Remembrance Sunday**  
**Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> November 2021**

**Liturgical Calendar**

Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> November

Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> November

Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> November

Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time (B)  
(*Remembrance Sunday*)

St Edmund of Abingdon (Rich), Bp  
Secondary Co-Patron of the Diocese

Our Lord Jesus Christ The King (B) Solemnity  
(Youth Day)

**Timetable of Masses**

*From the month of November, we will revert back to our prior mass time arrangement: i.e., Sunday Masses 10am and 6.30pm. Holy days of Obligation 9.30am and 7.30pm*

**Weekday Masses**

<b>Mondays</b>	<b>9am</b>	<b>Mass for Parishioners</b>
<b>Tuesdays</b>	<b>9am</b>	<b>Mass for Parishioners</b>
<b>Wednesdays</b>	<b>9am</b>	<b>Eucharistic Service</b>
<b>Thursdays</b>	<b>9am</b>	<b>Mass for Parishioners</b>
<b>Fridays</b>	<b>9am</b>	<b>Mass for Parishioners followed by Adoration until 11am</b>
<b>Saturdays</b>	<b>9am</b>	<b>Mass for Parishioners</b>

***As the pandemic is still not gone away completely, we are still asked to be careful with regard to safety procedures. So please continue wearing masks and keep safe distance and sanitise your hands.***

**Masses & Intentions This Week**

<b>Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> November</b>	<b>10.00 am</b>	<b>Judith Salisbury - RIP</b>
	<b>6.30 pm</b>	
<b>Monday 15<sup>th</sup> November</b>	<b>9.00 am</b>	
<b>Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> November</b>	<b>9.00 am</b>	
<b>Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> November</b>	<b>9.00 am</b>	<b>Eucharistic Service</b>
<b>Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> November</b>	<b>9.00 am</b>	
<b>Friday 19<sup>th</sup> November</b>	<b>9.00 am</b>	
<b>Saturday 19<sup>th</sup> November</b>	<b>9.00 am</b>	
<b>Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> November</b>	<b>10.00 am</b>	
	<b>6.30 pm</b>	

## **Prayer for the COP26 climate summit**

**Loving God,  
We praise your name with all you have created.  
You are present in the whole universe,  
and in the smallest of creatures.  
We acknowledge the responsibilities you have placed upon us  
as stewards of your creation.  
May the Holy Spirit inspire all political leaders at COP26 as they  
seek to embrace the changes needed to foster a more sustainable society.  
Instil in them the courage and gentleness to implement fairer solutions  
for the poorest and most vulnerable,  
and commit their nations to the care of Our Common Home.  
We ask this through Our Lord Jesus Christ your Son. Amen.**

### **Parish Notice Board**

#### **Second Collection – World Youth Sunday**

**Next Sunday's second collection will be for Youth Sunday. Thank you in advance for your kind generosity.**

#### **Welcome**

**We welcome into the family of our Parish Emmie Anne Church, who was baptised yesterday and we congratulate her parents Dean and Caroline.**

#### **Confirmation Programme 2021/2022**

**Please note that the Confirmation programme will be held at St Mary Mother of God in Hornchurch but the Confirmation Ceremony will be held here at English Martyrs. The first meeting for both candidates and parents will take place on Monday 6<sup>th</sup> December at 8pm in the Parish Hall of St Mary's. Marie Browne will be in contact with the candidates prior to this in the coming week.**

#### **BCYS World Youth Sunday**

**World Youth Service (BCYS) and Walsingham House at Abbotswick offer retreats, pilgrimages and many other events for many thousands of young people every year; most of the work is led by volunteers, trained as young leaders in the Church. The BCYS also supports our catechists and school lay chaplains. Today/next week a speaker will tell us more about the BCYS and there will be a collection for their vital work, or you can donate online at [www.bcys.net/donate](http://www.bcys.net/donate).**

#### **November Envelopes**

**Mass is celebrated every day during the month of November for our deceased families and friends. We remember our dead and traditionally write their names on a 'dead list' to be prayed for during all Masses for their eternal rest and peace. It is a beautiful tradition, rich in religious and human symbolism. All are welcome to send in the names of their deceased loved ones by using the brown envelopes available at the back of the church. Please hand your envelope to Graham or post through the presbytery letterbox. Thank you.**

#### **BCCS – Tree Angels**

**This November, Brentwood Catholic Children's Society is pleased to launch their virtual Tree of Angels which will allow you to light up an angel on a virtual Christmas tree in memory of a loved one who has died while making a donation to the work of 'bccs'. Please**

visit <https://www.bccs.org.uk/christmas/tree-angels> where you can read more about this initiative or click directly onto the Tree of Angels portal here <https://visufund.com/treeofangels> to make your dedication and secure donation. If you have any questions about lighting an angel, please contact Julie [jabbott@bccs.org.uk](mailto:jabbott@bccs.org.uk)

### English Martyrs Donations/Financial Support for your Parish

For those who wish to pay direct from your bank account to the Parish funds, you can now use the following Bank details in future:

#### HSBC UK

Catholic Church Hornchurch English Martyrs Account No. 11019198

Sorting Code 40 13 22

Kindly make your monetary contributions by cheque in the following way:

1. For 'Mass intentions' to the parish, please make your cheques payable to 'English Martyrs Stipend' account only.
2. For all other donations and contributions to the Parish, please make your cheques payable to 'English Martyrs Catholic Church'.
3. Any personal remuneration for Father should be payable to 'Fr. Belevendran'.

### Parish Finance

Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> November Gift Aid £145.10 Loose Plate £104.82 Total: £249.92

### Please Pray for the Sick and Housebound in our Parish:

Kathleen Clifford, Anna Heneghan, Paul Hogan, Pat Lark, George Malaj, Sheila McCurdy, Sheila Murphy, Rachel, Mary Scully, Mary Thurgood, and Mary Wright. Rose Yates, Claire Ryan in Emerson Court and John Buckley.

### Communication Desk

#### The Thresholds Of Hope Question:

*Why should we listen to the Church?* takes place by Zoom on Sundays 14th and 21st November 4.00 – 5.00 p.m. The input and discussion will be led by Fr Stephen Morrison, O Praem, Chelmsford. To join this meeting go to Events at [www.thresholdsofhope.co.uk](http://www.thresholdsofhope.co.uk)

#### Advent Carol Service:

You are warmly invited to join us at Walsingham House at Abbotswick for our annual Advent Carol Service on Sunday 12th December. We will have Christmas carols both classic and contemporary performed by our incredibly talented BCYS musicians, accompanied with readings from scripture and Christmas poems & stories. This year we are running two concerts, at 3pm or 7pm, however there will be limited capacity at each event and this will be dependent on any current Government restrictions or social distancing, in place at the time. Tickets are £10 and the money will go towards supporting our pilgrimages to Lourdes. To book your place please contact Joe Beattie, Walsingham House manager on [josephbeattie@dioceseofbrentwood.org](mailto:josephbeattie@dioceseofbrentwood.org) or 01277 373 959.

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