



# Ordinariate and Parish Church

## MOST PRECIOUS BLOOD

*a Catholic Parish in the Archdiocese of Southwark  
in the Pastoral Care of the Ordinariate of Our Lady of Walsingham*



### THIRTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

27th October 2024



**In the gospel reading today**, we hear blind Bartimaeus say, “Master, let me see again”. God’s gift of faith to us helps us to see the world with a new vision. Christ renews our faith so that we may see more clearly the world in which we live. We are God’s children and we share in Christ’s priesthood and must never lose sight of this great privilege which is given to us.

**Bishop David Waller** sent a message to say thank you for your warm welcome last week. He thoroughly enjoyed himself!

**The Holy Rosary** is the devotion for October. Come and learn, or join in this devotion on Sunday from 10.15 and Friday from 19.00

**Register with parish today.** Use the QR codes about church or the inside of this sheet.

**Adoration** of the Most Blessed Sacrament each Friday 19.00-20.00 here at MPB.  
*O come let us adore him.*

**Assisted Suicide Bill** may be rushed through parliament before Christmas! Please see what you can do to maintain humanity.  
[www.righttolife.org.uk](http://www.righttolife.org.uk)

**Cardinal Nicholas** issued a letter on assisted suicide. Copies are on the parish website.

**Holy Hour** for the Dignity of the Human Person. The bishops of E&W invite all Catholics in response to the assisted suicide to join them for a Holy Hour. Wednesday 13 November, 17.30 here at MPB

**Interested in becoming a Catholic**, or being confirmed? Have a word with FrC today. Preparation begins soon.

**The New Lectionaries** have arrived! If you ordered a Sunday Missal, see FrC today. Thank you to those who purchased the liturgical books. [preciousblood.org.uk/lectionary](http://preciousblood.org.uk/lectionary)

**All Saints’ Day** is Friday this week, a Solemnity and a day of obligation. Mass at 08.00 13.05 & 18.30 (*nb not a day of abstinence*)

**All Souls’ Day** is on Saturday this week. Usual Mass at 10.30, with an additional Mass at 09.00 for the Holy Souls in purgatory.

**Names of dead** relatives, friends and benefactors can be placed on the altar during November, the month of Holy Souls. To add names, please use the envelope at the back of Church, or the link on the parish website.

**Bishop Philip Moger** has been translated to the See of Plymouth by Pope Francis. There is a farewell for him at St George’s Cathedral on Friday this week, 18.30

**Organ Recital** series continues on Saturday this week at 12.30 - Richard Gowers of St George’s, Hannover Square.

**Clocks go back** one hour today as Greenwich Mean Time resumes. Spring forward; fall back. Did you remember?

**Lost or lapsed?** Have a look around you today. Is there anyone who sits near you who you’ve not seen for a while? Give them a call, pop round, tell them we miss them.

**Calling all Cleaners**, both regular and interested, come each Saturday morning. If you have 30mins or an hour or so, come along. Many hands....



## The Solemnity of All Saints

On Friday the Church is celebrating her dignity as "Mother of the Saints, an image of the Eternal City" and displays her beauty as the immaculate Bride of Christ, source and model of all holiness. She certainly does not lack contentious or even rebellious children, but it is in the Saints that she recognizes her characteristic features and precisely in them savours her deepest joy.

But "why should our praise and glorification, or even the celebration of this Solemnity, mean anything to the Saints?". A famous homily of St Bernard for All Saints' Day begins with this question. It could equally well be asked today. And the response the Saint offers us is also timely: "The Saints", he says, "have no need of honour from us; neither does our devotion add the slightest thing to what is theirs.... But I tell you, when I think of them, I feel myself inflamed by a tremendous yearning" This, then, is the meaning of today's Solemnity: looking at the shining example of the Saints to reawaken within us the great longing to be like them; happy to live near God, in his light, in the great family of God's friends. Being a Saint means living close to God, to live in his family. And this is the vocation of us all, vigorously reaffirmed by the Second Vatican Council and solemnly proposed today for our attention.

But how can we become holy, friends of God? We can first give a negative answer to this question: to be a Saint requires neither extraordinary actions or works nor the possession of exceptional charisms. Then comes the positive reply: it is necessary first of all to listen to Jesus and then to follow him without losing heart when faced by difficulties. "If anyone serves me", he warns us, "he must follow me; and where I am, there shall my servant be

also; if any one serves me, the Father will honour him"

Like the grain of wheat buried in the earth, those who trust him and love him sincerely accept dying to themselves. Indeed, he knows that whoever seeks to keep his life for himself loses it, and whoever gives himself, loses himself, and in this very way finds life

The Church's experience shows that every form of holiness, even if it follows different paths, always passes through the Way of the Cross, the way of self-denial. The Saints' biographies describe men and women who, docile to the divine plan, sometimes faced unspeakable trials and suffering, persecution and martyrdom. They persevered in their commitment: "they... have come out of the great tribulation", one reads in Revelation, "they have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb". Their names are written in the book of life and Heaven is their eternal dwelling-place.

The example of the Saints encourages us to follow in their same footsteps and to experience the joy of those who trust in God, for the one true cause of sorrow and unhappiness for men and women is to live far from him.

Holiness demands a constant effort, but it is possible for everyone because, rather than a human effort, it is first and foremost a gift of God, thrice Holy

Dear brothers and sisters, the Eucharistic celebration encourages and nourishes holiness. Christ makes himself present in the most exalted way, Christ the true Vine to whom the faithful on earth and the Saints in Heaven are united like branches.

Thus, the communion of the pilgrim Church in the world with the Church triumphant in glory will increase.

Let us invoke them so that they may help us to imitate them and strive to respond generously, as they did, to the divine call.

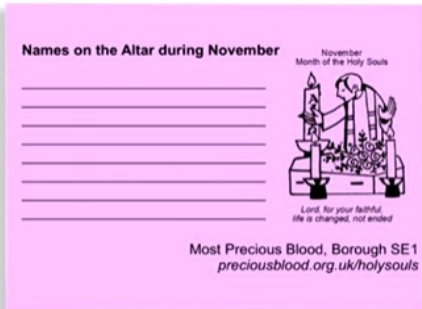
In particular, let us invoke Mary, Mother of the Lord and mirror of all holiness. May she, the All Holy, make us faithful disciples of her Son Jesus Christ! Amen.



Almighty God, by whose gift we venerate the merits of all the Saints, bestow on us, through the prayers of so many intercessors, an abundance of the reconciliation with you for which we earnestly long. Through Christ our Lord. Amen

**Holy Mass** will be offered for those on the **Dead List** during November, the month of Holy Souls. Please put their names in the Offering Envelopes which are available at the back of Church. Throughout this month of Holy Souls, their names will be on the altar.

*Indeed, for your faithful, Lord, life is changed, not ended, and, when this earthy dwelling turns to dust, an eternal dwelling is made ready for them in heaven.* Preface I for the Dead



## October Census

During October we are asked to take a census of the parish, which means counting how many people are at each Mass. It's also an opportunity to make sure our information is correct.

In *ChurchSuite*, you can

- Register on-line
- Check your details
- Change your own details
- Alter security settings
- Choose who sees what
- Choose how you are contacted

You will have received an email asking you to give consent and to update your details.

If you didn't, then register today, using the link below or one of the QR codes in church. Further info and assistance at [parish@preciousblood.org.uk](mailto:parish@preciousblood.org.uk)

[preciousblood.org.uk/signup](https://preciousblood.org.uk/signup)

*The information you give will not be supplied to third parties. By signing up you are consenting to the details you provide being added to the church's database and used only for the parish's ministry and mission.*

## Register Here ¶

October census ¶



If you have not registered with the parish, please do so by scanning this code ¶

## This Week: Mass & intentions

Day	Time	Intention
<b>This Sunday</b> <b>30th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME</b>	09.30 <b>11.00</b>	Jake Dicto <i>priest</i> ✕ <i>funeral tomorrow</i> Parishioners
<i>Mon 28th Sts Simon &amp; Jude</i>		
<i>Tue 29th feria</i>	13.05	
<i>Wed 30th feria</i>	13.05	
<i>Thurs 31st feria</i>	13.05	
<i>Fri 1st ALL SAINTS</i>	08.00 13.05 <b>18.30†</b>	
<i>Sat 2nd Holy Souls</i>	09.00† 10.30†	Parishioner killed in war ✕ November Holy Souls ✕+
<b>Next Sunday</b> <b>31st SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME</b>	09.30 <b>11.00</b>	Rev Fr George Leidig ✕ <i>foundation</i> Parishioners

**Next Week's Readings** Apocalypse 7:2-4.9-14 1 John 3.1-3 Matthew 5:1-12

**Sacrament of Confession.** Tue-Fri 12.30-12.55; Sat 10.00-10.25; or *by appointment*

**† Mass in the Ordinariate Use** of the Roman Rite

**Last week:£1,091.46** (cash £146.46; card £225; standing orders £720); \$5

*Mission* **£145.00** (cash £73; card £72 )

**Thank you!**

**Safeguarding.** The parish is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and vulnerable adults and expects all staff and volunteers to share this commitment. Safeguarding Officers: Richard Hughes, Justina Onuorah. 03330 509296

**Holy Father's Intention for November 2024: *For anyone who has lost a child***

We pray that all parents who mourn the loss of a son or daughter find support in their community and receive peace and consolation from the Holy Spirit.

**Live-streaming** is done regularly for the Solemn Mass. The earlier Mass on Sunday and weekdays are not live-streamed.

**For your prayers:**

*In priestly formation:* Br Philip OP (Jeff Gerlomes) .

*Peace:* In Ukraine, in the Holy Land, Syria

*Those who are Sick:* Mary, Chi Chi, Anne Marie, Rita, Hermon, Amaogechi,

*Recently Departed:* Jeremiah Cronin *priest*, John Brownsell *priest*,

Jake Dicto *priest*, Michael Kiernan, John

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