

# *St Michael and All Angels Catholic Church, Leigh Park*

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## *Thirty-Second Sunday of the Year, 12<sup>th</sup> November 2023*

### *Remembrance Sunday*

### *The parable of the lamps and*

**Parish Mass Book page 152 Prayer of the Church Week 4**

**Wisdom 6:12-16** Wisdom can be found by all those who seek it.

**1 Thessalonians 4:13-18** St Paul consoles the converts at Thessalonika, worried about the fate of their loved ones who have died before the return of the Lord.



*The Five Wise and the Five Foolish Virgins* by [Peter von Cornelius](#) 1813-16

**Matthew 25:1-13** The Gospel story urges us to stay awake because we do not know the day or the hour of the Lord's coming.

**Why worry?** *Cast all your anxiety on him because he cares for you.* 1 Peter 5:7

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**Canon Gerard edits this Newsletter**  
**and welcomes items for inclusion by the Sunday prior to publication, please. Thank you.**

## **Our Liturgies this week**

*Reconciliation: in the half hour prior to Mass.*

### **Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> November St Martin**

5 pm Reconciliation  
6 pm Mass for the Parish

### **12<sup>th</sup> November**

### **32<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Ordinary Time**

10 am Mass George Alagiah RIP

### **Monday 13<sup>th</sup> November Feria**

10 am Prayer Group  
*Canon Gerard is at Douai Abbey today.*

### **Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> November Feria**

10 am Mass Hugh Cooke RIP  
*Catholic Grandparents meet after Mass.*

### **Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> November**

#### **St Albert the Great**

10 am Mass  
Judy & Mike Stringer's intentions  
10.30 am Adoration

### **Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> November**

#### **St Edmund of Abingdon**

No Mass today

### **Friday 17<sup>th</sup> November**

#### **St Elizabeth of Hungary**

10 am Mass Martin Lee RIP & the intentions  
of Maggie & Nigel McNeil Smith

### **Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> November**

#### **Dedication of the basilicas of**

#### **Ss Peter & Paul**

5 pm Reconciliation  
6 pm Vigil Mass Clive Judge RIP (Alice)

### **19<sup>th</sup> November**

### **33<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Ordinary Time**

10 am Mass intentions of Jan McGranaghan

### **Station Masses return for Advent**

On four Tuesdays at 6 pm there will be Adoration and several priests will offer the Sacrament of Reconciliation. Mass will be at  
7 pm, with refreshments to follow.  
28<sup>th</sup> November Havant, St Joseph  
5<sup>th</sup> December Cosham, St Colman  
12<sup>th</sup> December Hayling Island, St Patrick  
19<sup>th</sup> Leigh Park, St Michael

## **The Catenians - Friendship in Faith**

### **A Date For Your Diary: 7 pm 16<sup>th</sup> November**

Come and meet us at St John's Cathedral Conference Room, Portsmouth to find out about the Association. A short presentation and discussion includes refreshments. See what the Association has to offer you. Register by emailing [portsmouthcatenians@yahoo.com](mailto:portsmouthcatenians@yahoo.com) and visit:

[www.thecatenians.com](http://www.thecatenians.com)

[www.portsmouthcatenians.org.uk](http://www.portsmouthcatenians.org.uk)

**Buying a CAFOD World Gift** captures the true spirit of Christmas giving. Suitable gifts are available for a range of budgets and interests. There are educational gifts, others for assisting with food production, providing help for refugees, helping with environmental and health projects, or for such emergencies as have occurred recently. Amongst new gifts this year, a winter survival kit is particularly helpful in places such as Afghanistan and Syria with harsh climates. Please take a World Gifts catalogue and choose gifts for family and friends that spread joy to people in need at Christmas. You can also choose online at [CAFOD World Gifts](http://CAFOD World Gifts).

## **First Holy Communion 2024**

We look forward to helping Parish families prepare children, in Year 3 and above, for the celebration of First Holy Communion next summer. If you wish your child to be prepared please speak with Canon Gerard about this as soon as you can.

***We will enrol children at Mass on the weekend of the First Sunday of Advent, at 6 pm on Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> December or at 10 am on Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> December.***

On Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> January after 10 am Mass we have a meeting outlining the programme. We hope to find ways to help those who have yet to experience the Alpha programme.

***The most important thing of all is to participate in the Sunday Mass, our weekly celebration of Jesus' Resurrection. If regular attendance at Mass is a problem for you just now please do still speak to Canon Gerard. We can try to ensure a place for your youngster on a future programme.***

