#### WORSHIP THE LORD

Today is the 33<sup>nd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time (A)

10:30 am Parish Mass

Followed by refreshments

Monday St Johns Clevedon

6:00 pm Mass

Tuesday All Saints Church

10:00 am Mass.

Wednesday St Saviours Hall. Locking Rd

11:00 am Coffee Church.

6:00 pm St Johns Clevedon Mass

Thursday All Saints Church

10:00 am Mass

Friday St Johns Clevedon

10:00 am BCP Mass

Saturday All Saints Church

**10:00 am** Mass

**Next Sunday is Christ the King (A)** 

10:30 am Pontifical Sung Mass, Procession of the

Blessed Sacrament, and Benediction

### **Pray for Gods People**

Those who are in need, including: Enid, Eunice, Gary, Paula, Angela, Mike, Alan, Pam, Emma, Keith, Suzanne, Deirdre, Sarah, Nichola, John, Andy, Shelley, Kimberley, Christine, Julie, Maria, Val, Eyleen, and all who receive Communion at home, all who mourn the death of a loved one, all who are lonely at this time.

Those who have died recently, including: Lord Brian Cotter, Colin Henderson, Clarice Bailey. And those whose anniversaries of death fall at this

including: Doris Kierle (19<sup>th</sup>), Heather Collins (20<sup>th</sup>),

Michael Woods (23<sup>rd</sup>)

Rest Eternal Grant to them O Lord:

And let light perpetual shine upon them.

#### **Calendar and Events**

Today we welcome back The Rt Reverend Michael Langrish, former Bishop of Exeter to celebrate our Mass.

Next Sunday we welcome for the first time to All Saints our own Bishop of Oswestry. Please make every effort to be in Church for Mass to welcome + Paul.

On Saturday the 25<sup>th</sup> November at 7:30 Costanzi Consort are launching their first CD, with a concert, Discovering Choral Treasures. Tickets £15 (£7.00 Students/U18s)

Our organist, Robert, carefully chooses and practises a voluntary for our delight each Sunday morning. It would be a nice tribute to him if we could all listen to this final piece of music before leaving our seats. Thank you.

Raffle starts this week, to be drawn at the Christmas Fayre on Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> December at 10:30 am, see Terry after Mass for your numbers

Beginning at Advent we hope to go back to singing the Lord's Prayer at each service as we used to before lockdown. Most of you will remember the music to this, so we'll be very glad if you can sing confidently with the choir

Tickets for the Weston Choral Concert now Sold Out.

All are welcome to stay for refreshments after Mass.

## All Saints with Saint Saviour's

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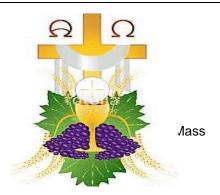
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# 33rd Sunday in Ordinary 19th November 2023

# Our Worship Today

Today's readings are all about the graces that God offers us ever day. Each moment God is at work in us and in the world. Our task is to be aware of the opportunities and to respond.

### Our Hymns Today

**Procession** 377 Imortal, Invisable, God only wise

Offertory 339 Be thou my vision, Lord of my

heart

**Communion** 70 Lord Jesus think on me

Recession 449 Soldiers of Christ, arise

### The Word of the Lord

### Reading 1 Proverbs 31:10-31

The praises given to the women here echo the praises given elsewhere in the scriptures to God. She reflects God's image and likeness.

#### Reading 2 1 Thessalonians 5:1-6

Standing ready for God may refer to our death and judgment but also to openness to the ways in which God comes to us every day.

#### Gospel Matthew 25:14-30

The parable of the talents shows God as the generous giver of graces, but one who asks that we take seriously the gifts we have and use them with confidence.

# ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

The Lord said: I think thoughts of peace and not of affliction. You will call upon me, and I will answer you, and I will lead back your captives from every place.

### COLLECT

Grant us, we pray, O Lord our God, the constant gladness of being devoted to you, for it is full and lasting happiness to serve with constancy the author of all that is good. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

FIRST READING Proverbs 31:10-13. 19-20. 30-31

A reading from the book of Proverbs.

A perfect wife – who can find her? She is far beyond the price of pearls. Her husband's heart has confidence in her, from her he will derive no little profit. Advantage and not hurt she brings him all the days of her life. She is always busy with wool and with flax, she does her work with eager hands. She sets her hands to the distaff, her fingers grasp the spindle. She holds out her hand to the poor, she opens her arms to the needy. Charm is deceitful, and beauty empty; the woman who is wise is the one to praise. Give her a share in what her hands have worked for, and let her works tell her praises at the city gates.

The word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

PSALM Psalm 127

# RESPONSE: O blessed are those who fear the Lord.

- O blessed are those who fear the Lord and walk in his ways! By the labour of your hands you shall eat. You will be happy and prosper. R.
- 2. Your wife like a fruitful vine in the heart of your house; your children like shoots of the olive, around your table. R.
- Indeed thus shall be blessed the man who fears the Lord. May the Lord bless you from Zion in a happy Jerusalem all the days of your life. R.

# SECOND READING 1 Thessalonians 5:1-6

A reading from the first letter of St Paul to the Thessalonians.

You will not be expecting us to write anything to you, brothers, about "times and seasons", since you know well that the Day of the Lord is going to come like a thief in the night. It is when people are saying, "How quiet and peaceful it is" that the worst suddenly happens, as suddenly as labour pains come on a pregnant woman; and there will be no way for anybody to evade it.

But it is not as if you live in the dark, my brothers, for that Day to overtake you like a thief. No, you are all sons of light and sons of the day: we do not belong to the night or to darkness, so we should not go on sleeping, as everyone else does, but stay wide awake and sober.

The word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

# **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!

Or

Alleluia, alleluia! Make your home in me, as I make mine in you, says the Lord. Whoever remains in me bears fruit in plenty. Alleluia!

GOSPEL Matthew 25:14-30

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew. (for shorter form read between > <)

>Jesus spoke this parable to his disciples: "The kingdom of heaven is like a man on his way abroad who summoned his servants and entrusted his property to them. To one he gave five talents, to another two, to a third one; each in proportion to his ability. Then he set out.< The man who had received the five talents promptly went and traded with them and made five more. The man who had received two made two more in the same way. But the man who had received one went off and dug a hole in the ground and hid his master's money. >Now a long time after, the master of those servants came back and went through his accounts with them. The man who had received the five talents came forward bringing five more. 'Sir,' he said, 'you entrusted me with five talents; here are five more that I have made.' His master said to him, 'Well done, good and faithful servant; you have shown you can be faithful in small things, I will trust you with greater; come and join in your master's happiness.' Next the man with two talents came forward. 'Sir,' he said, 'you entrusted me with two talents; here are two more that I have made.' His master said to him, 'Well done, good and faithful servant; you have shown you can be faithful in small things, I will trust you with greater; come and join in your master's happiness.' Last came forward the man who had the one talent. 'Sir,' said he, 'I had heard you were a hard man, reaping where you have not sown and gathering where you have not scattered; so I was afraid, and I went off and hid your talent in the ground. Here it is; it was yours, you have it back.' But his master answered him, 'You wicked and lazy servant! So you knew that I reap where I have not sown and gather where I have not scattered? Well then, you should have deposited my money with the bankers, and on my return I would have recovered my capital with interest. So now, take the talent from him and give it to the man who has the five talents. For to everyone who has will be given more, and he will have more than enough; but from the man who has not, even what he has will be taken away. As for this good-for-nothing servant, throw him out into the dark, where there will be weeping and grinding of teeth."

The Gospel of the Lord. Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

### PRAYER OVER THE OFFERINGS

Grant, O Lord, we pray, that what we offer in the sight of your majesty may obtain for us the grace of being devoted to you and gain us the prize of everlasting happiness. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

### COMMUNION ANTIPHON

To be near God is my happiness, to place my hope in God the Lord.

Amen, I say to you: Whatever you ask in prayer, believe that you will receive, and it shall be given to you, says the Lord.

# PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

We have partaken of the gifts of this sacred mystery, humbly imploring, O Lord, that what your Son commanded us to do in memory of him may bring us growth in charity. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.



