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Intercessions

For the sick and those in need who have asked for our prayers.

For the recently departed:

Anniversaries of death:
Charles Ford, George Thomas Atkins, Mary Barber, Adalyn Touzlin, David Rossiter.

To preserve privacy, the names of the sick and those in need, and sometimes of the recently departed, are omitted from the version of the news sheet published online. They are all, however, prayed for at the service in Church.

11am Parish Mass Hymns:

Entrance	533	O God, our help in ages past
Offertory	256	O what their joy and their glory must be
Communion	621	Thy kingdom come, O God
Recessional	612	Christ is the world's true light
Mass setting:	*681*	*A New People's Mass (Gregory Murray)*

Parish Notices

Remembrance Sunday

We observe Remembrance Sunday today. Mass will begin with the Act of Remembrance at 10.59am precisely, so that we can keep the traditional two minutes' silence at 11.00.

Looking Ahead

We will celebrate the Feast of Christ the King on Sunday 22nd November, with Parish Mass and Baptism.

Advent begins on Sunday 29th November. For the new Church year the Lectionary takes us through the Gospel according to St Mark, and there will be a Pizza and Theology evening in early December to introduce the main themes in this Gospel.

The Parish Carol Service will be on Sunday 20th December at 6pm – please mark this in your diaries! Christmas Day falls on a Friday this year and there will be the usual services on Christmas Eve and Christmas Day. Volunteers will be needed at the end of November please to help distribute the St Matthias Christmas card to all the households in the Parish.

The Parish of Colindale

Saint Matthias

The Third Sunday before Advent (Remembrance Sunday) Sunday 8th November 2026



Mass Times and Readings for Morning and Evening Prayer

Readings and psalms for Morning and Evening Prayer are given for use with Common Worship Daily Prayer *or the* Book of Common Prayer. *MP = Morning Prayer; EP = Evening Prayer. For a shorter version of the Office, use one psalm and one reading. For the same services online see tinyurl.com/jusdp. (* = a long Psalm, part of which may be omitted. Where there is a choice of two sets of Psalms, the first is for the season, the second follows the ordinary cycle.)*

Sunday 8th November 10.15am Eucharistic Adoration
3rd Sunday before Advent **10.59am Act of Remembrance**
Remembrance Sunday **11am Parish Mass**

MP: Psalm 91; Deuteronomy 17.14-end; 1 Timothy 2.1-7
EP: Psalms [20] 82; Judges 7.2-22; John 15.9-17

Mon 9th November *No services*
Feast: The Dedication of the Lateran Basilica

MP: Psalms 19, 20 (or) 44; Daniel 4.19-end; Revelation 5
EP: Psalm 34 (or) 47, 49; Isaiah 5.8-24; Matthew 4.23 – 5.12

Tues 10th November **12.30pm Mass**
Memorial: Saint Leo the Great, Pope, Teacher of the Faith

MP: Psalms 21, 24 (or) 48, 52; Daniel 5.1-12; Revelation 6
EP: Psalms 36, 40 (or) 50; Isaiah 5.25-end; Matthew 5.13-20

Weds 11th November **10am Mass** *(Morning Prayer at 09.30)*
Memorial: Saint Martin, Bishop of Tours

MP: Pss 23, 25 (or) 119.57-80; Daniel 5.13-31; Revelation 7.1-4, 9-end
EP: Psalm 37 (or) 59, 60, (67); Isaiah 6; Matthew 5.21-37

Thurs 12th November **9am Mass** *(Morning Prayer at 08.30)*

MP: Psalms 26, 27 (or) 56, 57, (63*); Daniel 6; Revelation 8
EP: Psalms 42, 43 (or) 61, 62, 64; Isaiah 7.1-17; Matthew 5.38-end

Fri 13th November **9am Mass** *(Morning Prayer at 08.30)*

MP: Psalms 28, 32 (or) 51, 54; Daniel 7.1-14; Revelation 9.1-12
EP: Psalm 31 (or) 38; Isaiah 8.1-15; Matthew 6.1-18

Sat 14th November **10am Mass** *(Morning Prayer at 09.30)*
Saturday Memorial of the Blessed Virgin Mary

MP: Psalm 33 (or) 68; Daniel 7.15-end; Revelation 9.13-end
EP: Psalms 84, 86 (or) 65, 66; Isaiah 8.16 – 9.7; Matthew 6.19-end

Sunday 15th November 10.15am Eucharistic Adoration
2nd Sunday before Advent **11am Parish Mass**

MP: Psalm 98; Daniel 10.19-end; Revelation 4
EP: Psalm 89.19-37*; 1 Kings 1.15-40 (or 1-40); Revelation 1.4-18

The Sunday Lectionary 8th November 2026 — Third Sunday before Advent *(Remembrance)*

First Reading (Wisdom of Solomon 6.12–16)

A reading from the book of Wisdom.

Wisdom is radiant and unfading,
and she is easily discerned by those who love her,
and is found by those who seek her.

She hastens to make herself known
to those who desire her.

One who rises early to seek her will have no difficulty,
for she will be found sitting at the gate.

To fix one's thought on her is perfect understanding, and one who is vigilant on her account will soon be free from care, because she goes about seeking those worthy of her, and she graciously appears to them in their paths, and meets them in every thought.

This is the Word of the Lord
Thanks be to God

Canticle: Wisdom of Solomon 6.17–20

***Response*:**
Glory to the One who gives me wisdom.

The beginning of wisdom is the most sincere desire for instruction, and concern for instruction is love of her,
and love of her is the keeping of her laws,
and giving heed to her laws is assurance of immortality,
and immortality brings one near to God;
so the desire for wisdom leads to a kingdom. ***R***

[There is only one verse for this canticle given in the Lectionary]

Second Reading (1 Thessalonians 4.13-18)

A reading from the first Letter of Saint Paul to the Thessalonians

We do not want you to be uninformed, brothers and sisters, about those who have died, so that you may not grieve as others do who have no hope. For since we believe that Jesus died and rose again, even so, through Jesus, God will bring with him those who have died. For this we declare to you by the word of the Lord, that we who are alive, who are left until the coming of the Lord, will by no means precede those who have died. For the Lord himself, with a cry of command, with the archangel's call and with the sound of God's trumpet, will descend from heaven, and the dead in Christ will rise first. Then we who are alive, who are left, will be caught up in the clouds together with them to meet the Lord in the air; and so we will be with the Lord for ever. Therefore encourage one another with these words.

This is the Word of the Lord
Thanks be to God

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia
Stay awake and stand ready,
because you do not know the hour
when the Son of Man is coming.
Alleluia!

Gospel (Matthew 25.1-13)

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew
Glory to you, O Lord

Jesus spoke this parable to the disciples:

'The kingdom of heaven will be like this. Ten bridesmaids took their lamps and went to meet the bridegroom. Five of them were foolish, and five were wise. When the foolish took their lamps, they took no oil with them; but the wise took flasks of oil with their lamps. As the bridegroom was delayed, all of them became drowsy and slept. But at midnight there was a shout, "Look! Here is the bridegroom! Come out to meet him." Then all those bridesmaids got up and trimmed their lamps. The foolish said to the wise, "Give us some of your oil, for our lamps are going out." But the wise replied, "No! there will not be enough for you and for us; you had better go to the dealers and buy some for yourselves." And while they went to buy it, the bridegroom came, and those who were ready went with him into the wedding banquet; and the door was shut. Later the other bridesmaids came also, saying, "Lord, lord, open to us." But he replied, "Truly I tell you, I do not know you." Keep awake therefore, for you know neither the day nor the hour.'

This is the Gospel of the Lord
Praise to you, O Christ