



### THIRTY-FIRST SUNDAY OF THE YEAR (C)

3rd November, 2019

#### Zacchaeus and a Fear of Missing out?

In today's Gospel we encounter Zacchaeus, a chief tax collector and a wealthy man. We're told that he makes his appearance when Jesus is on his way through Jericho (seemingly with no intention of stopping) to Jerusalem (and the cross and, so also, our salvation). Zacchaeus is "anxious to see what kind of man Jesus was". Is this FOMO, "fear of missing out", on Zacchaeus' behalf? Or is there something deeper drawing him to discover who Jesus is? I'd like to reflect on four attitudes which Jesus adopts in relationship to Zacchaeus and, rather handily, they all begin with the letter 'A':

**Awareness:** Jesus is aware of Zacchaeus as he "looked up". We can imagine all those people, following Jesus like a popstar. Why, in the midst of that great mob of people, probably all vying for his attention, did Jesus notice Zacchaeus? There are people in our community seeking God. Are we aware of them? Do we see them?

**Acknowledgement:** Jesus acknowledges Zacchaeus and speaks to him. How good are we at acknowledging our guests, especially non-Church people? Even little things can go a long way - like clear signs, a beautiful clean space (a big thank you to all involved in keeping our churches clean and loved and decorating them so wonderfully), and keeping our newsletter and notices jargon-free.

**Attention:** Jesus paid attention to Zacchaeus. He even knows his name as he calls, "Zacchaeus, come down." Many of you will know that I've begun asking people to turn round and introduce themselves to one or two people at the beginning of Mass. This is so that we can know each other better as a community and pray for each other by name. How powerful it is to hear our name. I'm hoping we can get better at knowing the names of people around us, learning the names of our guests as a simple way of demonstrating our care for them.

**Acceptance:** Jesus accepted Zacchaeus (even though his method of inviting himself round to tea isn't one I'd necessarily encourage you to be repeating). Despite the grumblings of the crowd, regardless of what others might think, Jesus accepts Zacchaeus. In turn, Zacchaeus Responded Radically - he changes not because Jesus judged him but because of those 4 A's - now he has hope of a future and the joy of a relationship with Jesus. In being accepted, Zacchaeus is transformed and converted. Salvation comes to his house.

Maybe some of us do suffer from FOMO; maybe we don't like the thought of missing out. Might I encourage you to focus this week on two things?

Firstly, don't miss out on Jesus. He will be passing your way, just as he passed the way of Zacchaeus - hurry to that place where he can see you and call your name and invite himself to spend time with you.

Secondly, don't miss out on those people to whom Jesus is sending you. There will be at least one person this week whom Jesus will want you to become aware of; and to acknowledge; and to pay attention to; and to accept in his name.

For, the Son of Man has come to Seek out and Save what was lost - that was Jesus's mission and that's why it has to be ours too - in hope and joy.

*Fr. Mark Hogan*

#### Visit of the Mayor

It gives me great delight to welcome the 820th Mayor of Winchester, Cllr Eleanor Bell, as our guest for the 10:30am Mass this Sunday. Please do join us for Mass and come through to the Pastoral Centre afterwards for a drink and a chance to talk.

#### New Post - Parish Director of Evangelisation and Leadership

Thanks to a grant from the Diocesan Living Our Faith Fund, and the generosity of some of our parishioners, we are in a position to begin advertising for a Parish Director of Evangelisation and Leadership.

Full time 35 hours per week Monday to Friday.

Salary commensurate with experience and location.

We are seeking a Director of Evangelisation and Leadership to hold responsibility for all aspects of our primary tool for evangelisation, Alpha. The successful post holder would also be responsible for supporting our hospitality ministry and ensuring that staff and key leaders are growing as leaders.

For the full advert, job description, person specification and contact details please go to the homepage of the website <https://www.catholicwinchester.org.uk/>

**The Parish Plan for 2019/20** is now available for anyone who wishes to see it. The Parish Plan is based on a 5-year strategy for the parish, which will be adapted for publication at a future date. You can find the current plan on the Parish website: <https://www.catholicwinchester.org.uk/> - there's a link to the document near to the top of the homepage. If you want a paper copy of it, please contact the office.

**St Stephen's Community Choir** welcome singers to join them for their second service on Sunday 24th November at 9.15am Mass in St Stephen's Church. Following the huge success of the choir for the 50th Anniversary Mass in May this year, the choir have decided to sing Rutter's 'For the Beauty of the Earth' once again for the Feast of Christ the King. If you would like to sing for this service please contact Mary Alveyn [mealveyn@gmail.com](mailto:mealveyn@gmail.com) or Emma Sharrock [emma.sharrock@outlook.com](mailto:emma.sharrock@outlook.com). There will be a rehearsal after 9.15am mass on Sunday 3rd November and Sunday 10th November (10.40-11.45am) and a brief run through on the 24th November at 8.30am. We hope to sing for at least 2 services next year so do please feel free to email Mary with your contact details if you are unable to sing this time but would like to do so in the future.

**PRAYER CORNER:** *Each week, this section will contain an intercession which I hope every parishioner will pray for, during the coming week. In this way, we will all pray to the Lord for the parish's mission, because "if the Lord does not build... in vain do the builders labour" (Ps 127:1).*

**This week's intention:** "Let us pray for those involved in the process of recruiting our Parish Director of Evangelisation and Leadership, that the Holy Spirit will guide them and give them wisdom."

We acknowledge with thanks, collections for 27th Oct:	
Average weekly Planned Giving	£3,754.54
Gift Aid envelopes (Actual)	£258.05
Non Gift Aided cash/cheques (Actual)	£936.75
<b>Average offering for the week</b>	<b>£4,949.34</b>

**BAMENDA SUNDAY THIS WEEKEND** (2<sup>nd</sup> / 3<sup>rd</sup> Nov.)  
**Our brothers and sisters in Bamenda Archdiocese are continuing to suffer in the current socio-political crisis.** Human rights atrocities are occurring on a daily basis and hundreds of thousands of people have been displaced from their homes. Our friends are asking for:

- Our prayers;
- Increased international awareness and political pressure to call for a peaceful resolution to the troubles and
- Financial help for the work of the Ad Hoc Committee which has been set up to respond to the humanitarian need.

Each year, we have a **special collection** to support the projects driven by our friends in our twinned Diocese of Bamenda, Cameroon. **Please ensure you see a copy of the Bamenda Newsletter** to help you understand the mutual benefits of our twinned relationship and how much your aid is needed in these troubled times.

**BAPTISMS**

**PLEASE WELCOME Max Arthur McCrystal** who was baptised in St. Peter's last weekend.

Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> November is **All Souls' Day** on which the Catholic Church commemorates the souls of those who have died, but are in need of final purification before entering Heaven.

In addition there will be prayers for the dead and blessing of graves on the following dates:

**Sunday 10th November** at 3pm in St. James's Cemetery  
**Sunday 10th November** at 3pm in St. John's Churchyard, Alresford  
**Sunday 17th November** at 3pm in Magdalen Hill Cemetery

On **Fri 8 Nov**, there will be a special **Mass of Remembrance** celebrated in St. Peter's at 7:30pm. During this Mass, there will be an opportunity to light a candle in memory of any loved ones who have died and, as we pray for them, their name will be read out during the Mass. We hope that, by joining together with others who have lost loved ones, you may know that you are not alone in your grief and that you will receive some comfort from the prayers offered for yourself and for your loved one who passed away. Members of your family and friends are also welcome to join you at this special Mass. Refreshments in Pastoral Centre afterwards.

**November - praying for the our departed brothers and sisters** - Please write on a Remembrance Card the name of any loved one who has died and place it in the basket provided on the Sanctuary.

We will pray this prayer for them, just before the blessing during Masses, beginning on All Souls Day (2<sup>nd</sup> Nov):

*May the choirs of angels come to greet you.  
 May they speed you to paradise.  
 May the Lord enfold you in His mercy.  
 May you find eternal life.*

Please pick up a letter from Cardinal Vincent Nichols, Archbishop of Westminster, regarding '**Safeguarding in the Church today**'. Copies available at the back of Church.

**SAFEGUARDING - IMPORTANT NOTICE!** Please check Church noticeboards for upcoming training dates

**TODAY'S MASS - LITURGY OF THE WORD**

**Entrance Antiphon:** Forsake me not, O Lord, my God; be not far from me! Make haste and come to my help, O Lord, my strong salvation!

**First Reading:** Wisdom 11:22-12:2

**Psalms Response:** I will bless your name forever, O God my King.

**Second Reading:** Second letter of St. Paul to the Thessalonians 1:11-2:2

**Gospel Acclamation:** Alleluia, alleluia! Blessings on the King who comes, in the name of the Lord! Peace in heaven and glory in the highest heavens! Alleluia!

**Gospel:** Luke 19:1-10

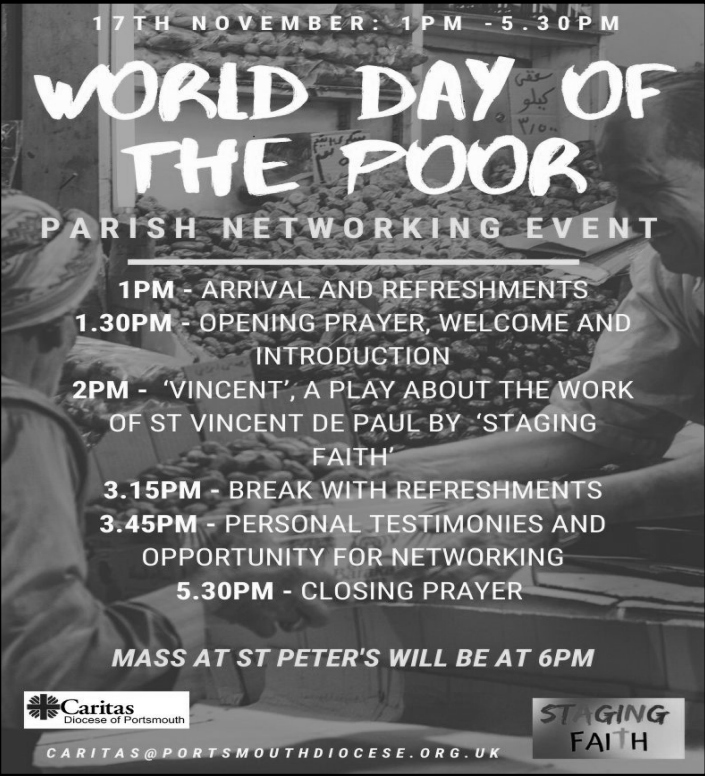
**Communion Antiphon:** You will show me the path of life, the fullness of joy in your presence, O Lord.

**LITURGICAL CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK**

**Monday:** St Charles Borromeo  
**Tuesday:** Feria  
**Wednesday:** Feria  
**Thursday:** St. Willibrord *or* Feria  
**Friday:** Feria  
**Saturday:** THE DEDICATION OF THE LATERAN BASILICA

**PLEASE PRAY FOR** the repose of the souls of those who have died recently. May God grant them eternal rest.

**Eileen Gumbrell** Funeral Mass Fri 8 Nov 12:15pm *St. Peter's*  
**Margaret Roach** Memorial Mass Wed 27 Nov 3pm *St. Peter's*  
**Peggy Jackson** Funeral Mass Fri 22 Nov 2pm *St. Peter's*





17TH NOVEMBER: 1PM - 5.30PM

# WORLD DAY OF THE POOR

PARISH NETWORKING EVENT

- 1PM - ARRIVAL AND REFRESHMENTS
- 1.30PM - OPENING PRAYER, WELCOME AND INTRODUCTION
- 2PM - 'VINCENT', A PLAY ABOUT THE WORK OF ST VINCENT DE PAUL BY 'STAGING FAITH'
- 3.15PM - BREAK WITH REFRESHMENTS
- 3.45PM - PERSONAL TESTIMONIES AND OPPORTUNITY FOR NETWORKING
- 5.30PM - CLOSING PRAYER

**MASS AT ST PETER'S WILL BE AT 6PM**

CARITAS@PORTSMOUTHDIocese.ORG.UK

'The hope of the poor shall not perish for ever' Caritas Portsmouth are holding an afternoon in Winchester where parishes and groups can come together to review current projects, share experiences and encourage new ideas. It is recommended that you speak to those involved in groups/projects already established in your parishes, so that you can come prepared with any questions or concerns you might have with starting or maintaining a project. There is an opportunity closer to the end of the afternoon for you to network with others, so please come prepared! It doesn't need to be physical resources; verbal discussions and personal experience are just as valuable. Light refreshments will be provided over the afternoon.

# EVENTS

**Our ALPHA PROGRAMME guest list is now open for Spring 2020:**

- Monday evenings in St Peter's Pastoral Centre, starting 13th January
- Tuesday mornings at St. Gregory's Church Hall, Alresford, starting 14th January
- Thursday lunchtimes in Milner Hall, starting 16th January
- Friday mornings in the St Stephen's Community Room, starting 17th January.

For more information or to reserve a place, please email [alpha@stpeterswinchester.org.uk](mailto:alpha@stpeterswinchester.org.uk)



**Helpers needed at "The Real Christmas Chalet" at the Winchester Christmas Market: 21st November until 22nd December** - Churches Together Winchester will be creating a space for visitors to the market in which people can step out of the crowd, rest a few minutes and reflect on God's gift to us all. Can you volunteer just for an hour or two to invite people into the chalet, chat if they want to talk and hand out special booklets and blessings? Find out more/sign up at [bit.ly/realchalet](http://bit.ly/realchalet) or call Lin Brewer on 01962 854454. There are training sessions on 10th, 12th and 19th November for those who would like this.

**STAY AWAKE WITH ME (Mt 26:38) - A TWELVE HOUR VIGIL OF ADORATION OF THE LORD TRULY PRESENT IN THE BLESSED SACRAMENT, St. Peter's Church, 9pm on 29 Nov - 9am on 30 Nov.** Each hour there will be prayers and readings with a focus on a particular aspect of the life and work of our parish. You are warmly invited to come for the whole vigil, or to join us for an hour. Please sign up via the parish office or contact Tony Darlison, again via the parish office—if you are joining us for any hour after 9pm we will need your contact details so that you can access the church during the night.

**Advent Day of Reflection – Saturday 7th December 2019** - As you prepare for Christmas why not take some time out to be with the Lord at the beginning of the Season of Advent? The theme of the day will be the Immaculate Conception of Mary, the Mother of the Lord. The day will be held at Saint Joseph's Centre, 8 Lyndhurst Road, Ashurst, Southampton SO40 7DU. The day will begin at 10.00am for 10.30am and finish at 4.00pm. Mass will be offered and there will be time for personal reflection and input from Father Des. Please bring some lunch. A suggested donation of £25.00 would be very helpful please.

**Would you be interested in becoming a CAFOD School Volunteer?** Schools Volunteers are a vital part of our work bringing Catholic social teaching to the next generation – but there is a shortage in this area and we need your help. By becoming a CAFOD School Volunteer you will have the opportunity to be part of a global movement building a fairer world, inspiring young people to get involved. It only takes a few hours a week to visit schools, and with that time, you can help make an impact on future generations. If you would like to find out more please contact Jo Lewry on 01252 329385 or email [portsmouth@cafod.org.uk](mailto:portsmouth@cafod.org.uk)

**BREAKFAST! Sunday 24 November 2019** - Come and join us for a BACON (or SAUSAGE) BUTTIE with tea, coffee etc. after 8.00am and 10.30am Masses on Sunday 24th November in St. Peter's Pastoral Centre. All proceeds will go to Sr. Maria Gretch's Franciscan Family Centre in Bethlehem.

**UNLOCKING THE MYSTERY OF THE BIBLE STUDY COURSE!** - One way we are celebrating the Year of the Word is with a Bible study course - 'Unlocking the Mystery of the Bible' by Jeff Cavins & Sarah Christmyer. This eight-part study (30-minute videos followed by a time of discussion) provides a great way to understand the Bible, which essentially is a story about the Father's unfailing love for us – a love that we are called to share with others. You will:

- Get a sense of the 'big picture' woven throughout the Scriptures,
- Make sense of the Bible and see how it relates to your everyday life,
- Discover the remarkable connections between the Old and New Testaments,
- See how the Sacraments, the Church and the entire Catholic Faith is rooted in Scripture...and much more!

The study will run on **Thursday evenings until 19 December 2019** inclusive; each session will be from **7:30pm to 9:00pm** in the Milner Hall and will be facilitated by Deacon Martin McElroy and Imelda Weingart-West. If you have any questions or to book a place, please email Rosanne Walker: [rosanne@stpeterswinchester.org.uk](mailto:rosanne@stpeterswinchester.org.uk)

## **WINCHESTER CATHEDRAL LANTERN PARADE -**

**Thursday 28 November, 6.30pm** (participants should arrive between 5.30pm – 6.00pm) The Lantern Parade is back for 2019, but bigger and better than ever! Make your own lantern with Bella Crafts, see the displays in the Cathedral and join a fun family parade starting from the Cathedral and finishing with a stunning fireworks display in the Outer Close. This year's theme is the Christmas story and Winchester Cathedral would be delighted to see as many local churches participating as possible. You can create a lantern in your church or local community centre and all lanterns are welcome, big and small!

Materials can be purchased from BellaCrafts and workshops will also be held at Bella Crafts, Fair Oak, on the following dates:

Sunday 10 November 9.30am – 12.30pm or 1.00pm – 4.00pm

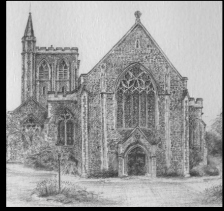
Saturday 16 November 2.30pm – 5.30pm

Sunday 24 November 9.30am – 12.30pm or 1.00pm – 4.00pm

Also after school from 11 November onwards from 3.30pm – 5.30pm

To book a Lantern Workshop, please contact BellaCrafts 023 8051 7054 or visit [www.bellacrafts.co.uk](http://www.bellacrafts.co.uk) For further information and timings please visit the Cathedral website: <https://www.winchester-cathedral.org.uk/events/lantern-parade-2019/>

**Winchester Fusion Choir Charity Concert**, at St. Peter's, Fri 6th Dec, 7:30pm. Tickets £7.50 and available in the Parish Centre or via email: [fusionchoirconcerttickets@gmail.com](mailto:fusionchoirconcerttickets@gmail.com) The ticket sales will support several local charities, including the SVP.



## WELCOME TO OUR PARISH

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

*There's a space for you here if you'd like to come and get to know us and Jesus a little better; a home away from home. Come and see.*

Email [office@stpeterswinchester.org.uk](mailto:office@stpeterswinchester.org.uk)

Parish Priest:	Fr. Mark Hogan
Assistant Priest:	Fr. Tom McGrath
Priest in Residence:	Canon Peter Wilkie
Deacons:	Rev. Gerard Dailly; Rev. Martin McElroy
Sacristan:	Laurie Howe

**Mass in the Extraordinary Form is next Sunday, 10th November, at 12:15 in St. Peter's. All are welcome.**

### EUCHARISTIC ADORATION AND MORNING

**PRAYER:** Our weekday adoration before the Blessed Sacrament has resumed, after having taken a break for half-term. In addition, Morning Prayer with Adoration will take place as usual at 8am on Mondays and Thursdays.

### Readers' Workshops

To mark the **Year of the Word**, the Diocese of Portsmouth is launching Readers' training workshops which are available for parishes to book. The training offered consists of two workshops of three hours each, each run on a separate day, for all church readers and aspiring readers. On completion of the two workshops, the participants are awarded a diocesan recognition. The workshops offer Liturgical and Biblical formation, as well as practical training, to ensure that the Word of God is read with clarity and conviction. The training ends with a time of Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament. Havant (6 & 23 Nov 2019), Winchester (11 & 25 Jan 2020), Christchurch (1 & 2 Feb 2020), Lymington (7 & 14 Mar 2020).

**For more details, and to reserve a space, please contact Chris Peacock at [readers@portsmouthdioces.org.uk](mailto:readers@portsmouthdioces.org.uk)**

*"But you have mercy on all, because you can do all things."  
Are you called to be a vehicle of God's mercy as a priest, deacon, sister or brother? To explore further, contact Fr. John Cooke at [vocations@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk](mailto:vocations@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk) or call 01329 318 869*

### Masses and Liturgies: 2nd to 9th November 2019

#### St. Peter's, Winchester

#### Masses

Sat 2nd	6:00pm	<b>All Souls' Mass</b> - David Tutton RIP
Sun 3rd	8:00am	Mass - Deceased Members of the Catenian Association
	10:30am	Mass - Deceased Members of the Szymanski Family
	5:00pm	<b>Evening Prayer and Benediction - Bamenda</b>
	6:00pm	Mass - Peter Whiteman RIP
Mon 4th	8:00am	<b>Adoration &amp; Morning Prayer</b>
	12:15pm	Mass - Mrs. Giles RIP
Tues 5th	8:00am	Mass - Mrs. Fletcher-Randal RIP
Wed 6th	7:00pm	NO MASS
Thur 7th	8:00am	<b>Adoration &amp; Morning Prayer</b>
	7:00pm	Mass - Deceased Members of the Goulding Family
Fri 8th	12:15pm	<b>Funeral Mass - Eileen Gumbrell</b>
	7:30pm	<b>Mass of Remembrance</b>
Sat 9th	9:00am	Mass - Albert Edward Nolt and Suzanne Marie Nolt RIP
	12:00pm	<b>Wedding Mass - James Silbury &amp; Megan Fry</b>

#### Confessions:

Sat	11:30am - 12:30pm	4:30pm - 5:00pm
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#### Eucharistic Adoration

Tue:	9:00am-3:00pm
Wed:	1:00pm-4:00pm
Thur:	9:00am-1:00pm

#### St. Gregory's, Alresford

Sun 3rd	11:00am	Mass - Intentions of the Bromfield Family
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#### St. Stephen's, Oliver's Battery

Sun 3rd	9:15am	Mass - Thanksgiving for all God's help
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#### St. Thomas More's, Stockbridge

Sun 3rd	9:00am	Mass - People of the Parish
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The Funeral of Father Dom Nicholas Broadbridge OSB, Monk and Priest of Douai Abbey, has now been set for **Wednesday, 6 November, at 2.30pm** in the **Abbey Church** at Douai. Fr Nicholas' body will be received into the church at 5.45pm on Tuesday, 5 November.

**Called and Gifted Teaching Day - St Peter's Pastoral Centre - Winchester - 23rd November 2019** Each of us has been called by God and gifted by the Holy Spirit. These spiritual gifts complement our natural talents and learnt skills. Discovering what we are called to do and what spiritual gifts we have in order to do this is a process of discernment. The Called and Gifted approach helps individuals to explore gifts and to develop insights as they act on using them for the good of others. This may be timely if you would like to make wise choices about the actions you take in your life in service of others. The Teaching day in November is followed by a One to One Discernment Conversation with a trained team member in January. There is also an opportunity to explore your gifts in more depth in the Spring 2020. Please note, the total cost for the day is £43 per participant. Much of this is subsidised by the diocesan Living Our Faith fund, although there is a participant fee of £25 per person to cover the materials given out to keep. Further subsidies are available for anyone who would be otherwise unable to attend. Please book on-line if possible [www.portsmouthdiocese.org.uk/calledandgifted](http://www.portsmouthdiocese.org.uk/calledandgifted) or take a booking form from the back of the church and return to the Parish Office marked "Called and Gifted Day".

**Cake Sale at St. Gregory's after Mass this Sunday. Please be generous in your support.**

**ST. PETER'S SCHOOL BONFIRE NIGHT** - Sat 9 Nov. Gates open 5pm; fireworks 6:30. Fire juggler, BBQ, bar, disco, stalls & games!