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The widow's offering.

The widow's offering of a penny was made out of love and of the little on which she had to live. In the same way, the widow of Sidon was willing to share her little with the prophet Elijah. We are called never to be afraid to give generously to God, who will always provide for us. All our gifts are to be given lovingly and generously.

Sundays Year B ~ Ordinary Times ~ Psalms Week IV
 Thirty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time
 7th November 2021

Entrance Antiphon	<i>Let my prayer come into your presence. Incline your ear to my cry for help, O Lord.</i>	
First Reading	<i>'Jar of meal shall not be spent, jug of oil shall not be emptied'.</i>	<i>1 Kings 17:10-16</i>
Responsorial Psalm	<i>My soul, give praise to the Lord.</i>	<i>Psalms 145</i>
Second Reading	<i>Christ, our high priest, has done away with sin by sacrificing himself.</i>	<i>Hebrews 9:24-28</i>
Gospel Acclamation	<i>Alleluia, Alleluia! Even if you have to die, says the Lord, keep faithful, and I will give you the crown of life. Alleluia!</i>	
Gospel	<i>This poor widow has put in more than all.</i>	<i>Mark 12:38-44</i>

Saturday			6:00pm	Parishioners
Sunday	7th November	32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time	10:30am	Fredrick Blick R.I.P.
Monday	8th November	Feria	9:15am	Bridget Wooldridge R.I.P.
Tuesday	9th November	Dedication of the Lateran Basilica		No Mass
Wednesday	10th November	St. Leo the Great	7:00pm	Ralph Rose R.I.P.
Thursday	11th November	St. Martin of Tours	9:15am	Peter Carroll R.I.P.
Friday	12th November	St. Josaphat		No Mass
Saturday	13th November	Feria	10:00am	Louis Borg R.I.P.
			6:00pm	Mike Prada R.I.P.
Sunday	14th November	33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time	10:30am	War Dead

Morning or Evening Prayer will be prayed fifteen minutes before weekday

Masses

Confessions on Saturday 10.30-11.00am and Wednesday 6.00-6.30pm

Sick and Housebound – Please pray for, Paul Hawketts, Leo Tolosa, Ellen Harrington, Stephen Agius, Barbara Shannon, Yustyna Adamska, Michele Bendall, Christina Thomas, Ann Bettany, Vivienne Anne Mallett and Marcia Jenkin.

Faithful Departed – please pray for William Moverley, Eileen Holt, Phyllis Barnes, Thomas Peter Carroll, May Ryan, Joan Miller, Percy Cannell, Ralph Rose, Betty Kibble, Herbert Seely, Ronald Piercy, Marie Cooper, Joseph McGrady, Owen Juby, Mary Blackett, Gregg Elliott and all whose anniversaries occur around this time.

Taken- Cambodia: Throughout November there will be the opportunity, for just £1.50, to write a card to our fellow parishioners in our twin parish of St. Joseph's, Taken, Cambodia. We know from Bishop Kike how much this small act of friendship and unity means to them all. The cards are displayed in the church and then handed out to the parishioners who display them proudly in their homes all year round. All the money will be added to the funds to help rebuild homes in Taken following the dreadful flooding they have experienced this year (please see pictures and email displayed in the porch).

Pax Christi Christmas Cards: The three cards have real integrity and come in a mixed pack of 10 cards and envelopes and can be ordered from [HTTPS://paxchristi.org.uk/product/nativity-trio-cards/](https://paxchristi.org.uk/product/nativity-trio-cards/) The cards were produced with photographs of felt banners made for decorating St. Laurence's church in Cambridge

Repository: There are several new items for sale in the repository in the church porch including Mass cards, birthday cards, rosaries, the Simple Prayer Book and Children's Prayer Book. Money for these items should be put in the silver slot in the countertop, not in the basket. Thank you.

EVER CONSIDERED BECOMING A SCHOOL GOVERNOR?

We are looking to recruit new Governors to support our vibrant and welcoming Catholic schools. We welcome interest especially from practising Catholics, as each Governing Body needs to have a majority of people who are Catholic. Governors help ensure the school is run effectively through having committee meetings covering a number of areas (e.g. Resources, Pastoral and Admissions, Teaching and Learning etc). Governors also oversee the school budget, help with senior appointments at the school, as well as occasional challenging matters such as exclusions, and staff discipline, though these are reassuringly infrequent. They are kept fully informed about all aspects of school life, which is very rich and varied. The Governing Body works well with the school leadership team, and are a welcoming group of people drawn from different lifestyles who kindly give up their time to support the school and improve children's life chances. If you feel this may be of interest to you, please feel free to contact the Head teacher at your local school who can give you more details about the role, and put you in contact with their current Chair of Governors. We hope this role may be attractive to you, and thank you for your support for the schools in St John the Baptist Catholic Multi Academy Trust.

The Trust has schools in Norwich, Costessey, Great Yarmouth, Bungay, Beccles, Lowestoft, King's Lynn and Peterborough; please see the St John the Baptist Catholic Multi Academy Trust website <https://www.stjohnthebaptist-cmat.org.uk/> for details and locations.

The Return of the Social Evening! Our next social evening will be on Thursday November 18th, starting at 6pm, in the Garden Room. This year's theme is Dr Who. There will be delicious themed food, a quiz, a raffle, and all are encouraged to wear fancy dress (though this is not obligatory), so prepare to release your inner alien. Tickets are free, but needed so we can gauge numbers attending, and are available after Mass.

Foodbank: Do not forget that we are a collection point for the local foodbank. If you can, buy an extra item when you go shopping and put it in the basket in the church porch.

Items for the newsletter may be left at the presbytery (marked clearly "for newsletter" along with the date, and your name), or email newsletter@stwalstans.com. For all forms of communication, please provide a telephone number on which you can be contacted. The deadline for items to be included in the newsletter is Wednesday 6pm

Collection	30th /31st October	£457.55
Direct Debits for the Month of October		£1045.50
	Cambodia	£488.08
		Many Thanks

CHRISTMAS READERS: if you are able to read at any or all of the Masses over Christmas, please put your name on the list in the porch so that the ministries can be shared out - please remember that the First Mass of Christmas will be at 9.00pm & not at midnight as in previous years. The list will stay up until Sunday, November 21st.

Leaf Clearing: Yes, it's that time of year again! We are so blessed to have all those beautiful trees in our grounds, but when the leaves fall it's a major event to clear them. Let's not 'leave' it to the faithful few this year. Please come along from 10am on any Saturday in November to help to sweep the leaves and pile them in the far corner of the back car park. I might even make you a cup of coffee! Fr David

Mass for the Deceased Clergy of the Deanery: Once again we will be hosting this annual event when the current members of the Deanery clergy will offer Mass for their deceased brethren. The Mass will take place at 12 noon on Wednesday November 17th. Please come along if you can to pray for those who have served our communities so faithfully. Please note that there will be no evening Mass that day, although confessions will take place as usual from 6 to 6.30pm.

Polishing St Walstans benches: After all the cleaning that had to be done after each Mass due to the pandemic, the benches need a good polish to restore the colour and protect the wood. If you can help, please see Chris Potter or email on kit_potter3@icloud.com

World Youth Day - November 2021: As well as International World Youth Days, Pope Francis has asked that 'Youth Sunday' is now known as 'World Youth Day' with each diocese throughout the world running a special event! All young people Year 7 upwards are invited to 'World Youth Day East Anglia' held at the Cathedral of St. John the Baptist on Saturday 20th November, 12pm - 8pm. There will be live Music, inspiring talks, powerful prayer times and a vigil Mass with the Bishop to welcome in World Youth Day. Places are limited - to book a place and for more information, please see www.rcdea.org.uk/youth

Christmas Bazaar: The annual bazaar, jointly held by the parish and the school, will take place in the school hall on Saturday December 4th, 2-4pm.

We will be appealing for items to sell or give as prizes - and, more importantly, for volunteers to help - in the near future.

Sunday November 7th, 11.00am: Bishop Alan will be celebrating this Mass at the cathedral for all those who have died in the pandemic. There will be a Mass for the same intention at St Walstan's on Saturday November 20th at 6pm.