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The focus is the 'end times.' Jesus foretells destruction and division. We see this in every era; most certainly in our own times those who seek to build a 'civilisation of love' (such as Pope St. John Paul II) are pilloried. Those who witness to faith are persecuted. In such troubled moments, Jesus exhorts us to trust the Holy Spirit will give us the words and wisdom we need.

Sundays Year C ~ Ordinary Time ~ Psalms Week: I
Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time
 16th November 2025

Entrance Antiphon	<i>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.</i>	
First Reading	<i>'For you the sun of righteousness shall rise.'</i>	Malachi 4:1-2a
Responsorial Psalm	<i>The Lord comes to judge the peoples with fairness.</i>	Psalms 98
Second Reading	<i>'If anyone is not willing to work, let him not eat'</i>	2 Thessalonians 3:7-12
Gospel Acclamation	<i>Alleluia, Alleluia! Straighten up and raise your heads, Because your redemption is drawing near. Alleluia!</i>	
Gospel	<i>'By your endurance you will gain your lives.'</i>	Luke 21:5-19

Saturday			6:00pm	Scrutton Family
Sunday	16th November	33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time	10:30am	Bridget Wooldridge R.I.P.
Monday	17th November	Feria		No Mass
Tuesday	18th November	Feria		No Mass
Wednesday	19th November	Feria		No Mass
Thursday	20th November	St. Edmund		No Mass
Friday	21st November	Presentation of the BVM		No Mass
Saturday	22nd November	St. Cecilia	10:00am	Parishioners
			6:00pm	For all who have died in the past year.
Sunday	23rd November	Christ the King	10:30am	Peter Carroll R.I.P.

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.
 Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament every Thursday after the morning Mass.

Sick and Housebound – Please pray for David Hogg, Peter King, Dorota Gobiecka-Grosz, Peter Bevis, Patricia Paul, Christopher Sharples, Peter King, Joseph Mitton, Geoff Routs, Henry Bedingfield, Jane Henson, John Barnes, Sue Williams, Jennifer Gates, Trudy McClosky, Yustyna Adamska, Michele Bendall, Christina Thomas, Ann Bettany and Marcia Jenkin.

Faithful Departed – Please pray for Dorothy Wood, Alfred Hill, Violet Curl, Mureen Richards, Madeleine Burt, Barbara Johnson, Leslie Tuck, Maureen Wigg and all whose anniversaries occur around this time.

The measure of love is to love without measure.

St. Teresa of Avila

Encore Anyone? Thank you to everyone who supported Fr David's show which raised £800 (and a few smiles!) which will be split between our twin parish of Taken in Cambodia and Let the Children Live.

Christmas at Costessey Centre: Christmas Fayre at the Costessey Centre on Saturday 29th November 10-4pm with craft stalls, raffles and children's activities, including the Norwich Science Festival. Entrance and stall all FREE.

The Chosen: The next episode will be shown in the Garden Room at 7.30pm on Wednesday November 26th. All welcome.

Christmas Bazaar: Saturday December 6th, 2.00-4.00pm, in St Augustine's School Hall. Please bring any items in good condition to sell or as prizes and leave in the church porch. Draw tickets will be on sale after the weekend Masses and during the bazaar.

Mass Intentions: Please note that all Masses for the rest of this year now have intentions booked. If you would like a Mass said for a particular intention it can be booked for 2026. The suggested offering for a Mass intention is £5.

Repository: There are several new items for sale in the repository, located in the church porch, along with a selection of cards for various occasions, prayer books, rosaries, etc. Payment can either be in cash, putting the money in the silver slot in the countertop, or by card, using the Dona machine.

Mass for those who have died in the past year: This intention will be offered at the 6.00pm Mass on Saturday November 22nd.

Flower Group: There will be a second collection for Christmas flowers on the weekend of 15th/16th November. Thanks in advance for your generosity.

Lectio Divina prayer group.

All welcome to St Walstan's Lectio Divina prayer group. The prayer sessions run fortnightly every other **Thursday at 7pm in the Garden room. Future dates 20th November and 4th December. More dates will be added.**

Dona Update: If you wish, you can now give to second collections, donations for candles and purchase items from the Repository using the Dona machine in the porch.

Collections	8th/9th	£722.79
Card Donations	(DONA)	£ 35.00
		Many Thanks

Christmas Cards, with the Christmas greeting stickers, to send to our twin parish of St. Joseph's, Taken in Cambodia, are available throughout November in the porch for the usual price of £1.50 to cover costs including postage. We know from Bishop Kike and our other contacts in Taken how important these are to the parishioners of St. Joseph's, they treasure them throughout the year. Thank you in anticipation for your continued support.

Mobility scooter for sale. New condition. For more details call Marcelle on 07766595517.

Church Cleaner Required: Is there anyone attending Our Lady and St. Walstan's church who is able to help with cleaning our lovely church? If you would like to join a team, you would only have to help six times a year maximum. Please contact me Kathleen Easter email kathleaster@btinternet.com or 01603 745588 or speak to Father David

Jubilee Survey: As part of the Diocesan Golden Jubilee celebrations, we would like to set up an exhibition to show how our parish has changed during the last 50 years. To achieve this, we need your help by looking in your homes for any pictures, videos or memorabilia from special occasions that took place in the parish, like weddings, baptisms, special visits, or other significant events. Please complete our survey to share your ideas and to let us know how you can support us with the exhibition. You can complete the survey either by using the link <https://forms.office.com/e/0Qq2CZgEcb> (if reading this online), scanning the QR code in the separate leaflet or completing the paper copy attached to the newsletter and returning it in the box in the porch. Please see our separate leaflet for more information.

Book of Remembrance: Throughout November, the month of the Holy Souls, this book will be in the church porch for you to add the names of your loved ones who have died. The book will be brought to the altar with the gifts at Sunday Masses.

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.