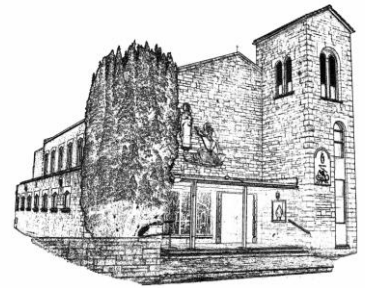


# The Parish of Our Lady of Mount Carmel and St Wilfrid

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**33<sup>rd</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

**16<sup>th</sup>/17<sup>th</sup> November 2013**

## Mass Times

Saturday	5.30pm	Intentions of the Parish	
Sunday	10.00am	Robert Watson (anniversary)	
Monday		Weekday of the Year	
	10.00am		
Tuesday		Weekday of the Year	No Mass
Wednesday		Weekday of the Year	No Mass
Thursday		The Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary	No Mass
Friday		St. Cecilia	No Mass
Saturday		Weekday of the Year	No Morning Mass

## OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE

	5.30pm	Intentions of the Parish
Sunday	10.00am	Deceased Members of the Collins Family

Sacrament of Reconciliation: Saturday, 4.45 to 5.15pm.

*[33<sup>rd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time – page 164 in the Parish Mass Book]*

**PASTORAL MESSAGE:** During Mass we will be listening to a Letter from Bishop Kieran. He asks us to think for a moment how we would answer if someone were to ask us what does the Church believe? Just as important, though, is the question, “What do I, personally, believe?”

**CATHEDRAL MAINTENANCE FUND:** This weekend there is the annual retiring collection for the maintenance of the Cathedral at Arundel – the Mother Church of our diocese. This is a diocesan collection so you can Gift Aid your donation by using one of the special envelopes – if you have a box of numbered envelopes.

**WELCOME!** This Sunday, during the 10.00am Mass, we will welcome through the waters of Baptism Vivien Stefania Wroblewska into the Church and the parish community. Please pray for Vivien, her family and all their friends on this special day for all of them.

**CURRY LUNCH:** Please note that the start time for the Lunch has been moved to **1.00pm** (please ignore the time printed on your ticket).

**THE REPOSITORY:** The Repository and Bookshop is closed for business after Mass while we await repairs to the area of the Church where it is located. However, there is a selection of cards and books on display nearby (please leave money for your purchases in the special wall box in the porch). Also, the Repository will have its own table at the Christmas Fair with many new items on sale. All profits from the Repository and Bookshop are donated to Building Maintenance Fund.

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## WORD

Bishop Kieran in this weekend's Pastoral Letter has reminded us of our ongoing diocesan programme of preparation for the diocesan Jubilee in 2015 as we revisit the important Pastoral Documents of the Second Vatican Council. Last year the focus was on the teaching of the Council on the Liturgy and the Sacraments; this year it is on Revelation – how God communicates with us and how we respond. The life and teaching of Jesus is for us as Christians the central and most important self-revelation of God. But the whole Bible is God's self-revelation: the Hebrew Scriptures (the Old Testament) tell of God revealing himself in the story of the Chosen People of Israel. As well as the Gospels, the New Testament records the story of Jesus' first followers and how they established the Church.

What is the Bible; how do we read, understand and interpret it in the 21<sup>st</sup> century; is it important for and relevant to the present age? These are some of the questions to which the second season in our preparation for 2015 will help us to find answers. We are invited to join a discussion group in which, with the help of a specially prepared booklet and a series of short talks recorded on a CD, we will be able to learn about the teaching of the Second Vatican Council on the Word of God in the Bible and God's continuing reaching out to us in and through the Church. The programme lasts for six weeks. As we have run out of time and opportunity this side of Christmas we could, as a parish, use the programme as a little "something extra for Lent" in 2014. There will be more information to follow in the New Year.

**SYNOD ON THE FAMILY:** Pope Francis has summoned a special Synod meeting in 2014 on "Pastoral Challenges to the Family" (please pay no attention to elements of media that have been highly selective in their reporting on the Synod). The Pope has asked for a wide-ranging consultation based on a questionnaire issued to the whole Church. As it suffers a little from "jargon" our own diocese has reformatted it in a way that will help as many as possible to contribute. You can find a copy on [www.surveymonkey.com/s/AandBDioceseFamilySynod2014](http://www.surveymonkey.com/s/AandBDioceseFamilySynod2014).

**CAFOD APPEAL:** If you haven't yet been able to contribute to the disaster appeal for the victims of Typhoon Haiyan in the Philippines you can do so next weekend in a special retiring collection. CAFOD – a member of the Disaster Emergency Committee (DEC) – is also able to appeal to the Catholic community directly through parishes. It is able to distribute funds directly through local Church partners in the Philippines providing emergency shelter, medical supplies, food and water to people in need. There are many people from the Philippines working along the South Coast, especially in health and caring services. To help their families back home is an act of support and solidarity at this very worrying time for them – as well as a way of showing appreciation for their contribution to those in need of care in own community.

**CHRISTMAS FAIR:** Thanks to all who have already contributed generously to the various Stalls for the Fair: they include New and Nearly New, the usual Chocolate and Bottle Tombolas, Children's Toys and Books, Christmas Gifts, Cards and Crafts, homemade Cakes, Jams and Preserves (from St. Wilfrid's Kitchen), Mulled Wine and Mince Pies, a Christmas Raffle – please keep them coming. There will also be an early visit from the man in red with a large white beard! Please leave any donations in the porch. Also, help will be needed in the Hall from 3.00pm on the day before the Fair: the Friday afternoon for the Fair on Saturday, 30<sup>th</sup> November.

**PLEASE PRAY FOR:** Kathy Chart, Tom Dempsey, Max Foreshew, Christina Hackett, Nell Hassett, Dave Mortby, Peggy Owens, Louis Rameau, Theresa Watson and all in the parish who are sick.

*Please speak to Fr. John if you would like the parish to pray for you, or for someone in your family.*

Collections:	9 <sup>th</sup> /10 <sup>th</sup> November	Offertory Collection	£370.31p
		Church Maintenance Fund	£85.47p