

ST. ANSELM

Proclaiming Christ in Hayes

War, what is it good for?

War is just about the worst thing that we humans practice on each other. The moment we declare war on each other the rules of decent human love go out the window.

We dress this up by saying there are rules of war, that you can do this - but you can't do that. You can arrest a soldier but you mustn't mistreat him.

It's of little comfort when the aim appears to be to kill as many men, women and children as you can of the 'enemy'.

The reality is of course that we have only one enemy in this life and he lives



somewhere rather warmer than earth.

It is that fallen creature that drives us towards hatred and the normalising of killing each other, of aiming missiles and guns at each other.

There is only one enemy that helps us somehow make war okay - because we have 'rules'.

War is never okay. It is never okay because it requires us to cease to love our neighbour as ourselves - as Jesus loved us and as He continues to love us.

War starts in the small acts of aggressions we show each other every day. War starts in the nastiness of our own hearts when they are not full of the love that Jesus gives us.

Pray that your own heart is shed of any hatred and aggression, that it is instead filled with Jesus' Love. Pray that the hearts of others are filled with that love. Pray that one day we will be able to say that War is a thing of the past.

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Please let us know of illness or other need as soon as possible. We are available on the above numbers 24/7.

Prayer focus

For war to end, for hatred of our fellow man to be consigned to the dustbin of history and for Christ's Love to win in this world as it does in the next.

Worship focus

The Christmas Lights for Hayes are being turned on from St. Anselm at 4pm on Thursday. Come and sing with the children of the local schools.

This Sunday

Sunday 13th November

32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time ●

10am - Parish Mass & Act of Remembrance

Divine Office Psalter Week 1, Year C(II)

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Notices

The Hayes Town Christmas Lights will be turned on from St. Anselm at 4pm on Thursday. The massed choirs of the local schools will be turning out and it would be great if we could have a mulled wine & mince pie stall set up to help raise funds for the church. We're expecting hundreds of people! Please speak to Fr. Matthew or Fr. Josiah if you can lend a hand.

Did you know you can support the parish by giving via Direct Debit? It's super easy to set up and you can control it over the phone or via the website. It has a HUGE upside for the church as it means we automatically collect the Gift Aid on it (at no cost or fuss to you, the money comes direct from the Government). There are currently only 4 of us set up for Parish Giving but that brought in over £600 in additional Gift Aid last year, imagine if we were all doing this!

You can set it up by calling 0333 002 1271 and giving them our Parish Giving Code - 230 623 503

Envelopes are still also available - please do speak to David if you don't have a giving envelope and would like to help fund our mission.

Years Mind

13th - Gloria James, Leonard Venner

14th - Aldyth Moore, Mary Shadbolt

15th - James Jones

16th - Daphne Mildred Chandler

18th - Winifred Hellmuth, Sam Hackett, Yvonne D'Unienville

19th - Joan Robbins

Pray This Week For

Yolanda De Gale, Wayne Campbell, Beryl Higgs, Kevin Riley & Family, Norma Piggott, Gemma, Deborah Ann Potts, Margaret & Oliver Joseph, Adrian Calliste, Fr. John & family, Jim Kissane, Mavis & Daniel Sibley, Tom, Julie, Dorothy Shirley Gordon. Elijah and his family, Jan Sutherland, Judy, Alan & Vida, Andrew, Sarah, Harrison Turner, Jan.

Monday 14th November

Monday of week 33 in Ordinary Time ●

9:45pm - Morning Prayer | 10am - Mass

6pm - Evening Prayer

Prayer focus: Our online family

Tuesday 15th November

Tuesday of week 33 in Ordinary Time ●

9:45pm - Morning Prayer | 10am - Mass

6pm - Evening Prayer

Prayer focus: The evangelisation of England

Wednesday 16th November

Saint Edmund of Abingdon, Bishop ●

9:45pm - Morning Prayer | 10am - Mass

12-2pm - Foodbank

6pm - Evening Prayer & Rosary

Prayer focus: Priests & Bishops of the Society

Thursday 17th November

Saint Hilda of Whitby, Abbess ●

9:45pm - Morning Prayer | 10am - Mass

4pm - Christmas Lights turn on and School Choirs

6pm - Evening Prayer

Prayer focus: Persecuted Christians

Friday 18th November

Friday of week 33 in Ordinary Time ●

9:45pm - Morning Prayer | 10am - Mass

Prayer focus: Struggling Mothers & Fathers

Saturday 19th November

Saturday of week 33 in Ordinary Time ●

Church open for private prayer, offices said privately

Prayer focus: Children around the world

Sunday 20th November

Christ The King ●

10am - Parish Mass

Divine Office Psalter Week 2, Year C(II), Wk 34

Confessions are heard by appointment with Fr. Matthew or Fr. Josiah