

10th November, 2024, 32nd Sunday in Ordinary time, Year B

TEMORA MISSION AREA

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For our Deceased: Carmel Carroll, Neil Thomson, Deceased Family, Friends,
Victims of war, violence, accidents and natural disasters

Nov 16-17

Aria Park 6.00 p.m. *Liturgy*

Mass

Temora 10.00 a.m.

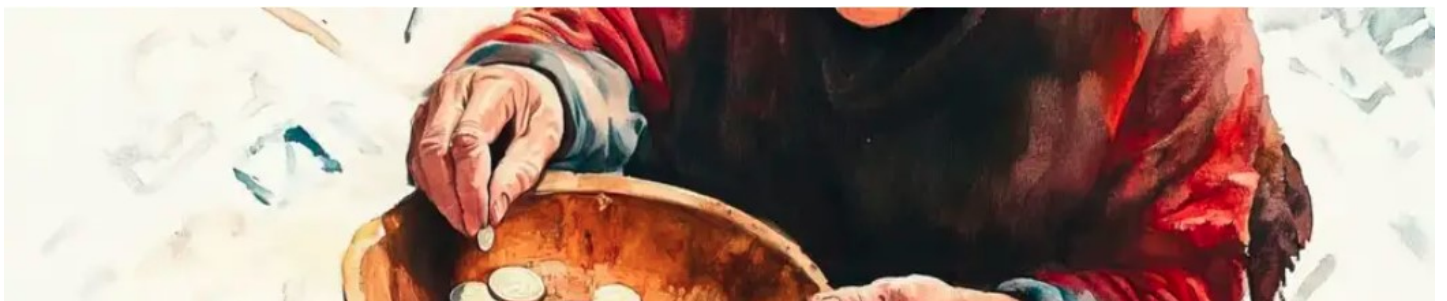
Liturgy

Ardlethan **8.00 a.m.** Barellan 10.00 a.m.

Reflection - *She has put in everything she had.* Jesus had little time for the unholy trinity of conspicuous wealth, self-righteousness and ostentatious piety. He suggests that, when we give alms, we 'do not sound a trumpet before us.' (*Mt 6:2*). According to St Ambrose, 'God does not consider what one gives but what one keeps.' Could it be that we give too little and keep too much?

The readings for the 32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time Year B challenge us to remember that all we have comes from God and to give generously. The first reading depicts a widow who shares her meagre resources with Elijah and is rewarded with abundance. In the gospel, Jesus observes a poor widow who gives sacrificially from her poverty. These readings invite reflection on themes such as counting our blessings, charity, service, generosity, trust in God, giving our whole heart, examining what we are holding back, and avoiding comparisons and looking down on others.

From: <https://young-catholics.com/34194/november-2024-mass-readings-resources/>



Next Week—Sunday 17th Fr Sijo will not be with us but we will have a service at the usual Mass time of 8am.

Armistice Day: We will remember them! Lest we forget!

Tomorrow, November 11th Armistice Day celebrations will speak of sacrifice and gratitude, mourn loss, grieve waste, and promise: “*At the going down of the sun and in the morning, we will remember them.*” Rejoicing in the memory of war’s ending, we will continue to pray for peace, lest we forget war’s origins and horrors. Our yearly Christian practice of ‘November-remembering’ is similarly focused towards deepening our consciousness of what we cannot afford to forget. A recent **Tui Moto** prayer names it wonderfully:

Encourage us, Creative Spirit, to walk with footprints weighed in gratitude. To choose energy that sustains all life so that we leave only love in our trail.

The symbol for Armistice Day writes, Fr Andrew Hamilton, “became the blood-red poppy that bloomed everywhere in Flanders. It initially commemorated all the soldiers of the

victorious armies who had died in the battle, but now honours the dead of many wars. It also celebrated the longed-for peace that followed the war and the hope that there would be no more war in their time. The poppies of the Flanders Fields also became associated in Christian minds with the flowers of which Jesus spoke which neither toiled nor spun but whose beauty was a simple gift. They exemplified the trust that brings peace, just as the stinking mud of the trenches pointed to the mistrust that causes war.”

Prayer for Harvest

As the season of harvest has started we commend it to the care of our God:

Creator God, provider of all

Giver of grains and seeds, and all that grows from the earth

We thank you and bless you for this season of harvest.

We lift our hearts in gratitude for the sun, which together with the rain, wind and earth, worked in harmony to produce a bountiful harvest.

We pray for all those who will assist with the harvesting.

We entrust this season to you, Bountiful God with hope, Amen.

Bless all those who will be involved in our season of harvest, Amen.

