



St Aldhelms Roman Catholic Church

St. Aldhelm's Newsletter



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First Sunday of Advent, 1 Dec 2024

Live Webcam Link for all our Masses

churchservices.tv/malm

To Make your Weekly Contribution Online

<https://www.saintaldhelms.com/donate>

New Parish Hall Project

saintaldhelms.com/new-

Mass Schedule

Weekends: Sat vigil 6.30pm, Sun 8.30 & 10am

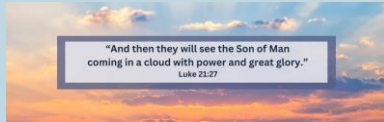
Weekdays: Mon, Thurs and Fri 10M


Wednesday Word


www.wednesdayword.org


St Joseph's School Website


[st-josephs-malmesbury.](http://st-josephs-malmesbury)




 [Rosary prayers Oct24.docx](#)

 [Reflections for the Mysteries of The Rosary Oct24 \(1\).docx](#)

 [Pastoral Letter for the Solemnity of our Lord Jesus Christ Nov 2024 \(1\).pdf](#)

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Dear Parishioners and Friends of St. Aldhelm's,

We hope you are ok wherever you are. We are delighted to be in touch with you through this newsletter.

We extend a warm welcome to all visitors and thank you for joining us in celebrating the Lord's love for us in the Holy Eucharist. There are no strangers here, just new friends you have not yet met!

Readings Summarised

The readings highlight hope and vigilance as we await God's promises. Jeremiah foretells a Messiah from David's line, fulfilled in Jesus, bringing justice and peace. Despite challenges, we are reassured of God's faithfulness.

The Psalmist calls for patient, prayerful trust in God's guidance.

Paul encourages the Thessalonians to grow in holiness and love as they await Jesus' return.

In the Gospel, Jesus describes signs of his Second Coming, urging us to remain expectant and prepared. He reassures us to face the future with confidence, for our redemption is near. Together, the readings inspire hope, trust, and faithful preparation.

Barn Dance

Delighted to share that our Barn Dance fundraiser last Friday raised an impressive profit of £1,300.50 for our Hall project! A huge thank you to everyone who worked so hard to make this event a success, especially our fantastic fundraising team led by Gabrielle. Well done, everyone!

Opposing Assisted Suicide: The Second Reading of the Leadbetter Bill which proposes the legalisation of Assisted Dying is on 29th November and there will be a vote in parliament. Many MPs have not yet made up their minds and the Catholic Bishops Website cbcew.org.uk/opposing- gives clear information about the proposed bill and what you can do to oppose the bill, including;

Gift Aid

If you are a UK tax payer and want to boost your donation by 25p for every £1 you give, **you must include these details in your envelope:** I want to Gift Aid my donation of £___ to Malmesbury Abbey. I am a UK taxpayer and understand that if I pay less Income Tax and/or Capital Gains Tax in the current tax year than the amount of Gift Aid claimed on all my donations it is my responsibility to pay any difference

Your name

Your address

Your postcode

Date

Online sessions for November / December

Please see below details of four online series we are offering in partnership with 'Light of Truth' over the next few months. Parishioners are welcome to sign up for any of these. If you have space in your newsletter or on your website, I would be grateful if you could promote some of these opportunities over the next few weeks.

[Meet the Angels](#): Two sessions to discover what the Catholic Church teaches about the Angels. The sessions begin at 7.30pm on a Thursday evening on: 21 November & 28 November. To sign up for the series, please click on the Zoom link [here](#).

[Advent Retreat 2024](#): We are offering three sessions to prepare for Advent by reflecting from Scripture on the virtue of hope, as we enter into the Jubilee Year, 'Pilgrims of Hope.' The sessions begin at 7.30pm on a Thursday evening on: 5 December, 12 December & 19 December.

To sign up for the series, please click on the Zoom link [here](#).

[The Happy Life of Virtue](#): We have seven sessions to discover the virtues of faith, hope, charity, prudence, justice, fortitude and temperance, keys to a holy and happy life, in communion with God and in imitation of Our Blessed Mother Mary. The sessions take place every second Friday of the Month, at 7.30 pm, and begin on the 13 December 2024.

13 December - 1: Faith Session

10 January - 2: Hope Session

14 February - 3: Charity Session

14 March - 4: Prudence Session

11 April - 5: Justice Session

9 May - 6: Fortitude Session

13 June - 7: Temperance

This course is designed for the Catholic Women's Association and is open to everyone. To sign up for the series, please click on the Zoom link [here](#).

[Training for Children's Liturgy of the Word](#): We are offering a training session to equip leaders and helpers of the Children's Liturgy of the Word in their parish. We will look at essential principles, offer models, and recommend resources. The session takes place on 14 December, 9am to 12noon. To sign up for the series, please click on the Zoom link [here](#).

Masses Requested

30 Nov Sat 6.30pm: Missa pro populo

1 Dec Sun 8.30am: for the repose of the soul of Donal O' Riordan RIP (offered by Sheila Stephen:)

5 Dec Thurs: For the repose of the soul of Jack Hynes RIP (would have been his 92 birthday)

Wisdom from Saints

"To have a right to do a thing is not at all the same as to be right in doing it." *G.K. Chesterton*

PS: Newsletter items to be in by Thursday noon (malmesbury.staldhelm@cliftondiocese.com)

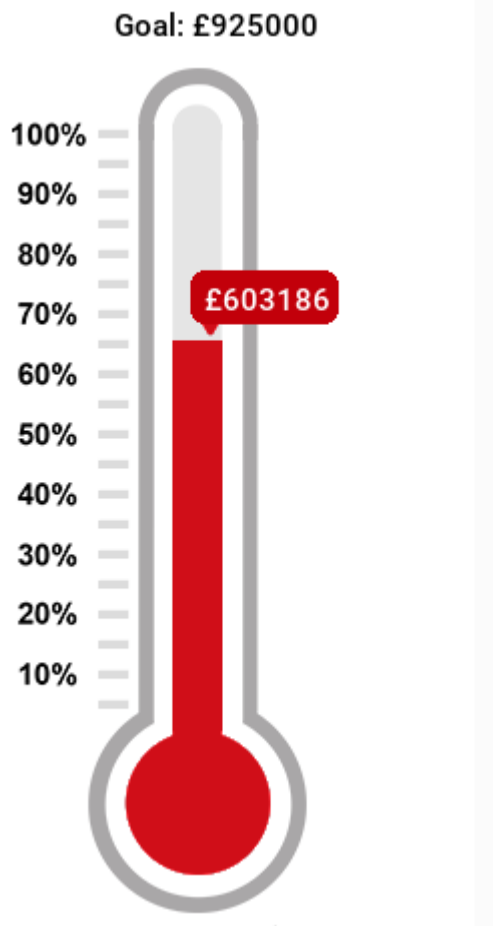
Please do join us for coffee on Sunday after 10am mass, and on Thursdays after 10am mass.

With every blessing

Father Thomas and Deacon Steve



St Josephs Catholic Primary School, Malmesbury. Enjoy a tour of our village school in the heart c f the town





November and December 2024, Liturgical Schedule

St Aldhelm's, Malmesbury

1 Nov Fri: All Saints Day (Holyday of Obligation)

10am – Mass

7pm – Mass

2 Nov Sat: All Souls Day

10am - Mass

13 Dec Fri, Reconciliation Service and Confession

7pm

18 Dec Wed, Christmas Mass in the Church for the School

10am

24 Dec Tue, Christmas Eve

5pm Carols, 5.30pm Christmas Vigil Mass (Children's choir)

7.30pm Carols by candlelight, 8pm Mass of Midnight

25 Dec Wed, Christmas Day

8.30am – Mass of Dawn

10am – Mass during the Day

26 Dec Thurs, St Stephen's Day (Boxing Day)

10am - Mass

Current Month Totals

Number of Viewers	Number of Unique Viewers	Total Time Viewed	1 Min or Less	1 Min to 5 Mins	5 Mins to 1 Hour	1 Hour or More
1,274	938	590 hrs	421	292	406	155

Viewers by Country (18 countries)

united kingdom: 757
ireland: 99
united states: 25
slovakia (slovak republic): 11
france: 10
australia: 7
jersey: 5
malta: 5
india: 4
spain: 3
germany: 3
malaysia: 2
italy: 2
romania: 1
pakistan: 1
peru: 1
austria: 1
russian federation: 1

Current Year Totals

Number of Viewers	Number of Unique Viewers	Total Time Viewed	1 Min or Less	1 Min to 5 Mins	5 Mins to 1 Hour	1 Hour or More
17,617	11,063	9,910 hrs	4,469	3,572	7,887	1,689

Viewers by Country (55 countries)

united kingdom: 8,966
ireland: 1,057
united states: 381
slovakia (slovak republic): 151
germany: 132
france: 70
spain: 40
australia: 31
italy: 24
canada: 22
india: 16
jersey: 15
netherlands: 9
saudi arabia: 9
belgium: 8
brazil: 8
denmark: 8
greece: 8
argentina: 7
portugal: 7
malta: 7
singapore: 6
south africa: 6
sweden: 6
philippines: 5
austria: 5
russian federation: 5
isle of man: 4
poland: 4
nigeria: 4
turkey: 4
trinidad and tobago: 3
malaysia: 3
romania: 3
zimbabwe: 3
mauritius: 3
japan: 2
guernsey: 2

