



LITURGY

First reading: 2 Samuel 5:1-3

Response to the Psalm: I rejoiced when I heard them say: 'Let us go to God's house.'

Second reading: Colossians 1:12-20

Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia, alleluia! Blessings on him who comes in the name of the Lord! Blessings on the coming kingdom of our father David. Alleluia!

Gospel: Luke 23:35-43



Dear Parishioners

All through his life Jesus showed that he was no man's man. No one controlled him. No one manipulated him. He moved through the landscapes of Galilee and Samaria with a sovereign freedom and a more than royal vigour. He acts with power. He speaks with authority. He is a source of awe and amazement in encounter after encounter. He commands obedience. He demands discipleship – no one can serve two masters, he said. With an absolute self-assurance, he cuts across all parties and programmes and treats rulers of the world with disdain. Jesus is the 'Yes' of God to the promises of heaven and the cries of the earth. And we who share in his kingship are to be like those early Christians we read about in the Acts of the Apostles who terrified the powers-that-be in northern Greece. And what of us who call Lord, Lord? Will we enter the kingdom? We often accuse ourselves of the sin of pride, but perhaps we are not being proud enough. Proud and courageous in the royal dignity he has given us, in sharing his kingship, his power and his glory. Instead of sovereignty in doing good we are tyrannised by caution, meekness and mildness. Sluggishness and slothfulness, apathy and indifference undermine the dynamism of grace at work within us, the drive of his providence and the joy of using our God-given gifts and talents in his service. We have lost dominion over ourselves because we have lost the freedom and the joy of our King.

**.God Bless
Fr. Benedict OSB**

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Rev. Deacon Peter Griffiths



CHRIST THE KING Year(C)

Week commencing Sunday 20th November 2022

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Masses

Sat 19 th Nov	5.00pm	Christ the King(C)	Anthony Woodhouse RIP
Sun 20 th Nov	10.30am	Christ the King(C)	Ivan Carnogursky RIP
Mon 21 st Nov			
Tues 22 nd Nov		St Cecilia (mem)	Holy Souls
Wed 23 rd Nov			People of Ukraine
Thur 24 th Nov		St. Andrew Dung- Lac & Comp. (mem)	Wellbeing of the EBC
Fri 25 th Nov			
Sat 26 th Nov	5.00pm	1 st Week of Advent Year A	Holy Souls
Sun 27 th Nov	10.30am	1 st Week of Advent Year A	Deacon Peter

Mass is celebrated privately daily except on Monday.

If you would like a mass offered for a particular intention, please email the parish or put a note through the door of the presbytery, *please do not place it in the collection bag*. Thank you.

Those Who Have Asked for Prayers:

Derek Sollis, , Georgette Cowell, Dolores Flynn, Fred Chadfield. Alan Clatworthy, Chanel Mullings, Clive Rickhards,, Jill Spurrell,

Those who have recently died: ,

Richard Flynn, Denis Charlton, Mary Gardner, Charles Maries, Sheila Hall, Donald Newell, Helen Meaney Bridget Clarke, Sylvia Flanagan, Robert McCarthy, Pamela Young, Norah O'Neill-Thomas, Susanna Westmeath, Nell Bridge. Doleen Evans, Jean Monica Tucker, Fr. John Fallon, Judy Husband Graham Janes, Elizabeth Watton, Maurice Andrews, Max Stoddart. Tony Lyons, Michael Russell, Mary Cross, Agnes McIlravey, Helen McCarthy, Patricia O'Brien, Pauline Burton, Mary Judith Smith (nee Hewitt), Wyn Varley, Raimondo Gemeli, Anthony Woodhouse.

Information

.Second Collection

The weekly second collection will normally be for help towards the payment of the diocesan levy and the upkeep of the house and church buildings. Both the church and the house are Grade II listed so any work done has to be to a high standard as set by the requisite authority. Here are a few of the expenses for the coming year:

- Diocesan Levy £5,500 p.a.
- Building's upkeep £36,000.00
- Insurance £3,744.77 p.a.

At times the second collection will be for other charities and the details of these will be placed in the bulletin.

Christmas Fayre – Bottle Tombola

A big thank you to everyone who has donated bottles for the tombola. We now have sufficient bottles so please don't bring anymore!
Please go along to the school on Saturday 10th December from 12 noon & support St Mary's school & Church in this annual fundraising event.

Coffee, Cake & Christmas Gifts

Join us after 10.30 Mass on Sunday 4th December.
There will be a 'bring & buy' table with some new Christmas gift sets for sale. All items will be individually priced.
Come & join us for & catch up with friends over a cuppa & do some last-minute Christmas shopping.
Cash only on the day.

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