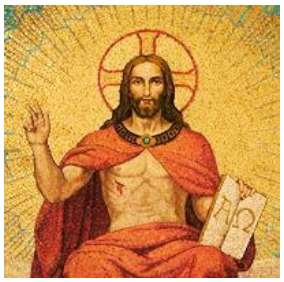
CATHOLIC CHURCH OF THE HOLY TRINITY & ST. AUGUSTINE OF CANTERBURY

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OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE 22nd November 2026



A Prayer to Our Lord Jesus Christ the King

Lord Jesus Christ, Our Eternal King, sovereign Lord of heaven and earth, the beginning and end of all things. Your kingdom is everlasting, and your reign is founded upon truth, justice, love and peace. You have called your Church to be a people who bear witness to the glory of your kingdom and proclaim your kingship to the world. Reign in our hearts by your grace, that we may serve you by serving the vulnerable and marginalized. Give us the humility to share one another's burdens and the courage to stand firm in the truth of your Gospel. May we follow you faithfully.

The Atlantic Aardvark – World's Toughest Row 2026

Four crew members are taking on an incredible challenge: rowing 3,000 miles across the Atlantic Ocean, from the Canary Islands to Antigua, as part of the World's Toughest Row. Competing against around 40 other crews, they will row in shifts, 24 hours a day, on an unsupported journey expected to take between 30 and 70 days. Alongside this extraordinary challenge, the crew are raising funds for two charities close to their hearts: **Breakthrough T1D**, which supports research into the prevention, treatment and cure of Type 1 diabetes, and **The London Irish Centre**, which provides practical support, advice and a welcoming community for Irish people in London. The crew hope their challenge will help raise vital funds and awareness for both charities. Please donate via the QR code. Many thanks!

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The Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe, is celebrated on the Last Sunday in Ordinary Time, was established by Pope Pius XI in 1925 as an antidote to secularism, which leaves God out of man's thinking and living and organises his life as if God did not exist. He had seen how the world had evolved after the end of World War I, the rise of both Communism and Fascism, and the ideologies behind them, causing people to question their Faith. The feast is intended to proclaim in a striking and effective manner Christ's royalty over individuals, families, society, governments, and nations.

ADVENT SERVICES

E. H. Crouch. .Memorial Service

Will be held here at the Holy Trinity Church, there will be a Christmas memorial service for the deceased members of families and friends who have passed away this year. Service is at 7.pm 3rd December. All are most welcome.

ADVENT SERVICES ROTARY ADVENT CAROL SERVICE 7pm Thursday 10th December We will be joined by the Salvation Army band, and various primary schools and musicians around the town.

RECONCILATION SERVICE

Saturday 19th December - at 10.30am-12.30pm. The Sacrament of Reconciliation is available for 2 hours – 10.30am – 12.30 pm. The Blessed Sacrament will be exposed. Fr. Denis and some other priests will be available to hear confessions.

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Thursday 24th December 4.30pm Vigil Mass of Christmas, Family Mass 8.40pm Carols and Readings 9 pm the Mass of the Nativity of the Lord.

CHRISTMAS DAY

Friday 25th December 9.30am Mass

St Stephens Day Saturday 26th December 10am Mass for altar services.

SUNDAY HOLY FAMILY MASSES

Saturday 27th December vigil Mass 6.30

Sunday 28th December 8.30 and 10.30 am Mass

Blessing of the Children's toys at 10.30 mass

NEW YEAR'S DAY

Mary Holy Mother of God

Friday 1st January Mass 10am

Cakes 4 Church

Our very popular cake fundraiser is back & will be held on the weekend **5/6th December**. All proceeds will go straight to fund the parish hall roof. Paper plates will be handed out after mass (this weekend) so please to take one home as a reminder. If you are unable to provide the cake then please come along & support us by buying some of our gorgeous creations.

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Our next coffee morning will be held on **Thursday 3rd December** after the 10am mass & anointing of the sick. We provide the tea & cake, so you can come along for the chat. Cake donations also welcome. If you know of anything who is housebound please do bring them along. See you there.

BERNIE'S CHRISTMAS HAMPER

Yes, it's that time of year again! Bernie's Christmas Hamper Draw will take place on **Sunday 20th December, after the 10.30am Mass**. Sherry and mince pies will be served in the parish rooms, - remember, you've got to be in it to win it! **Tickets will be available from Sunday 29th November (the First Sunday of Advent), at £1 per strip.** Lists for hamper donations can be found at the back of the church. Thank you for your continued generosity and support

2026 Parish Dates for your Diary

Sacrament of Confirmation2026/ 2027

If you are in Year 9 or Year 10, please consider whether you would like to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation in the parish.

The first meeting will take place on Sunday 13th December 2026. Bishop Paul McAleenan will celebrate the Sacrament of Confirmation with the candidates on Sunday 13th June 2027.

Further meetings will take place on Saturday evenings before Mass. Details of the meeting times and arrangements will be provided at the first meeting.

Celebrating 50 Years of the New Parish Church.

Sunday 13th December.

The Archbishop of Westminster Richard Moth, will celebrate Mass the 10.30 am with us and bless the foundation stone as we celebrate fifty years of the new church built here in Baldock.

Your Prayers Are Asked For:

We pray for the sick and housebound in the parish; *and* for those who care for and support them. We remember those who have died recently; especially Lorna Sexton and Keith Britter, and all those whose anniversaries occur about this time: Alec Brown, Colman Welby, Alexander McKerroll, Patricia Geary, Henry Osborne, Joan Burke, Kathleen Fitzgerald, Mary Connolly, George Paterson, Michael Kelly, Maria Valsecchi and Anton Adamski.

Mass Times and Intentions

Sat 21th	6.30pm	Donald Mbeutcha- intentions
Sun 22nd	8.30am 10.30am	Peg Prendergast RIP Claudia & Robert Pater RIP
Mon 23rd	10.00am	Charles Mc Comish RIP
Tue 24th	10.00am	Maria Calcasola
Wed 25th	10.00am	
Thu 26th	10.00am	Holy Souls of the Parish
Fri 27th	No Mass	

Please note that mass intentions as set out above may not always be read out, but the intention is offered.

Holy Hour: Saturday 5.15 – 6.15 pm

Confessions: Saturday 5.45 – 6.15 pm

Or by appointment with Fr. Denis.

Children's Liturgy: Takes place during the 10.30am Mass except on the First Sunday of the Month (Family Mass) and during school holidays.

The Vigil Mass (6.30pm) and the Sunday Mass (10.30am) can be watched online via the Parish Facebook Page: ***Catholic Church of the Holy Trinity and St Augustine of Canterbury***.

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Baptisms, First Holy Communion, Confirmation, Weddings and Funerals for further details please speak to Fr. Denis, look at the website or contact the parish office.

Church Hall Bookings the church hall is available to be booked for groups or celebrations. Please contact the parish office for more details.

Baldock Catholic Scout Group for boys & girls aged 6-14. Contact:
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