



# NEWSLETTER

Catholic Church of Mary Immaculate and St Gregory the Great



## Christ the King

Year C      Week 2

### THIS WEEK



#### **Sun 20th Christ the King**

**6.00pm\***: ALL SOULS

**8.30am**: Mary Geraghty (ints)

**10.30am**: Marlene Hollocks+

**6.00pm**: Sr. Anne Hogan (ints)

#### **Mon 21st Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary**

**6pm**: Julie & William Loh+

#### **Tue 22nd St Cecilia**

*9.30am: Morning Prayer*

**10.00am**: Elsa Jordache+

#### **Wed 23rd            No Mass**

#### **Thurs 24th St Andrew Dung-Lac and Companions**

**10.00am**: Donna Corr (ints)

*10.30am: Coffee Morning (JP Room)*

#### **Friday 25th St Catherine of Alexandria**

*9.30am: Morning Prayer (Church)*

**10.00am**: ALL SOULS

*2.00pm: Christian Meditation (Church)*

*6.00pm: Adoration*

#### **Sat 26th Blessed Virgin Mary**

**6pm\***: Martin Murphy (ann)+

#### **Sun 27th 1st Sunday of Advent**

**8.30am**: Franz + Teresa Buhagiar+

**10.30am**: Linda Atkinson+

**6.00pm**: Brigid Costello+

### Lord of all Creation

The other thief cried out, "Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom." And Jesus said to him, "Truly, I say to you, today you will be with me in Paradise."

As Jesus was crucified on the cross alongside two criminals who were thieves, one mocked him for his claim to divine kingship. But the other thief recognised through the eyes of faith that Jesus was truly God's Anointed King and Saviour. He petitioned Jesus to treat his poor soul with mercy and pardon, "Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom" (Luke 23:42). Jesus not only granted him forgiveness, but a place with him in his everlasting kingdom. "Truly, I say to you, today you will be with me in Paradise."

Jesus died not only as King of the Jews, but as King of all nations and Lord of the universe. His victory over the power of sin, Satan, and the world was accomplished through his atoning death on the cross and his resurrection on the third day. Jesus exchanged a throne of glory for a cross of shame to restore us from slavery to sin to glory with God as his adopted sons and daughters. That is why the Father exalted his Son and raised him in glory over the heavens and the earth. In the Book of Revelation Jesus is called King of kings and Lord of lords (Revelation 19:16). He now sits in glory at the right hand of the Father in heaven - and from his throne he rules as Lord over all. This weekend we ask the Holy Spirit to help us to recognise Jesus Christ as our Sovereign King and Saviour.

### Fr John

Quote from the Early Church Fathers: My kingdom is not of the world, by Augustine of Hippo, 354-430 A.D. "What in fact is Christ's kingdom? It is simply those who believe in him, those to whom he said, 'You are not of this world, even as I am not of this world.' He willed, nevertheless, that they should be in the world, which is why he prayed to the Father, 'I ask you not to take them out of the world but to protect them from the evil one' (John 17:15-16). So here also he did not say, 'My kingdom is not' in this world but 'is not of this world.' And when he went on to prove this by declaring, 'If my kingdom were of this world, my servants would have fought to save me from being handed over to the Jews,' he concluded by saying not 'my kingdom is not here' but 'my kingdom is not from here.'

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"Jesus, Lord Over All Creation"  
Colossians 1:15-22



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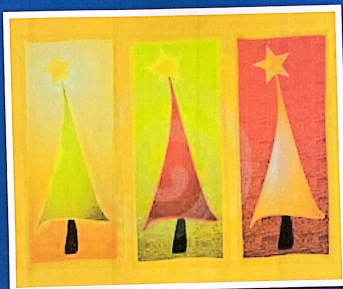
## WELCOME

### CHRISTMAS FAIR

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## ST NICHOLAS FAIR

2022



Sunday 11 December  
9.30am to 12.30pm  
in the parish hall  
All welcome!



Tombolas \* Raffle \*  
Cakes \* Refreshments \* Gifts \*  
and much more...

(in aid of the Church build fund)

### Building Loan Update

Last week we paid £21,000 towards offsetting the building loan; outstanding loan amount is now £199,000

A massive thank you to all the Parishioners who have given so generously towards paying off the loan.

Fr John

### Saturday RE Classes

Classes for children at non-Catholic primary schools are welcome to come and learn about their Catholic Faith.

During the sessions we pray together, we talk, sing songs and make new friends.

**Venue:** The JP Room

**Time:** From 9.30am to 10.45am

**Dates:** December: 3rd & 18th

### Communion Song

**Hymn No: 1000**

"Jesus Christ, Jesus Christ, yesterday today and forever"

### FOR YOUR PRAYERS

Please remember in your prayers the Sick and Homebound including:

Steven Hunt, Janine Kelly, Gabriel Dempsey, Suzanne Greig, Sinead Mayes, Monica Thompson, Rosemary Chester, Paul Reed, Marian Darby, Ken Quigley, Mary Geraghty, Edel O'Sullivan, Linda Quilter, Emanuele & Carlotta Brunelli, Stuart Atkinson, Pat Cosgrove, Bernadette Hunt, Roberto Lusignani, Elaine Brennan, Mark O'Brien, Rita Rawlings, Joe Connolly, Eric Power, Michael Keyes, Eileen Robbins, John Chuter, Margaret Greaney, Veronica Soosay, John Thompson, Lucretia Olivier-Hall, David John Hall, Paul and Nicola Dempsey,

**Recently Deceased:** Colum Giblin

### Christmas Fair Appeal

We're so excited to let you know the Parish Christmas Fair returns this year on Sunday 11th December - 9.30am to 12.30pm in the parish hall to raise money for the 'Build Fund'.

In order to make this a huge success, we need your help please! In the porch there is a large box ready to be filled with your kind donations! A full list of what's required is attached to this newsletter and on a poster in the porch. Additionally, if you are free to help on the day itself, please let Janet know by email to [janetnestor@hotmail.com](mailto:janetnestor@hotmail.com) she will be in touch! Thank you for your support.

### Advent Day by Day Booklets

For 2022 are available in the porch priced £1.00 each. Please place money in the box "Marked Repository"

### Pax Christi Advent 2022 Peace Service

Followed by alternative Christmas market.

When: Saturday 3rd December

Time: 2pm

Where: Church of the Holy Apostles  
47 Cumberland Street  
Pimlico, London SW1V 4LY

### St Catherine's Catholic Primary School Vale Drive

ST CATHERINE'S SCHOOL 2 YEAR OLD PROVISION - Our growing 2 year old nursery have a small number of places available. For more information please call our admissions officer on: 020 8440 4946 or email

[admissions@stcatherines.barnetmail.net](mailto:admissions@stcatherines.barnetmail.net)

### CAFOD World Gifts

Give a gift of hope this Christmas

In Advent, let's share the promise of hope that has been made to us with our sisters and brothers around the world. You can buy CAFOD's World Gifts for family and friends this Christmas online at <https://worldgifts.cafod.org.uk/>



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