

# CHRIST THE KING

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## FIFTEENTH SUNDAY year C

### PATRICK McKEOWN – BENEMERENTI MEDAL

I was born Patrick McKeown youngest of six children born to Patrick and Elizabeth. I always believed this was one of the blessings in my life because I was named after my father and therefore I could do no wrong.

I went to the local Rampark School until I was 14 and then I went into the Christian Brothers training college for 6 years. I loved school and in particular reading.

When I left school I couldn't get a job, it wasn't 'what you knew' it was 'who you knew'. My father was a local County Councillor so I asked my father to get me a job but he said it wouldn't be right, you have to learn to stand on your own two feet. So I then decided to come to England and stayed with my sister, I arrived on 10<sup>th</sup> December 1949.



I worked in Widnes, just outside of Liverpool, for a couple of years. My mother wrote to my sister regularly and always asked if I was going to Mass every week, but she never asked if my sister was attending.

I then worked in Middlesbrough which is where I first met Mary. Mary then moved to Enfield and we continued our friendship over the phone. During one of our conversations she told me there was work in London so I came down and we started courting and eventually married on 30<sup>th</sup> April 1958 in Our Lady of Mount Carmel and St George in Enfield, being the first people to be married in the new church. We then went on to have seven children and moved into the Oakwood area in 1964 which is when we found the church of Christ the King.

I feel I am lucky to be in this parish now as we have two lovely priests and the reason they are great is Fr Sebastian in my opinion is one of the best preachers I have ever heard and I've heard Cardinals and Bishops but Fr Sebastian beats them all. The funny thing about his sermons, they can be very long but nobody seems to mind. Fr Christophe's sermons are not quite up to standard, the reason for this being his English isn't very good but he is improving. So what makes him a great priest? He loves everyone, that is why he is important in the parish because he brings that love as Jesus preached to his Apostles "to love one another as I have loved you" and this comes through with Fr Christophe.

In the 80s we used to have the Group Mass on Sunday evenings and it was generally Dom Placid celebrating so I would attend that Mass. At a Group Mass on one particular night Dom Placid was giving a sermon and he talked about the good atmosphere of the Masses with everyone happy and joyful and how it would be nice if one or two days a week you could come to Mass.

A few years later it was coming up to my retirement and there was only two things in life that I hated, one I hated going to bed and two I double hated getting up in the morning, so coming up to retirement meant there was no more getting up early. When I finally retired in 1992 and it came to Monday morning and I woke early and blessed myself with joy at not having to get up. I then heard the voice of Dom Placid saying it would be nice if you went to Mass once or twice a week, so decided that's what I would do. I then washed and shaved I came to Mass, and I have been coming to 11am Mass ever since. I just knew I had to come to church.

Patrick McKeown

### FOCUS OF THE WEEK

#### SUMMER GARDEN WORKING PARTY

Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> July – 9am – 12 noon

Could you spare a few hours? Jobs for everyone from trimming hedges to cleaning windows.

Please sign up on the board in the entrance hall.



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### ADORATION & CONFESSION

Monday – Friday 6.00 – 7.00pm  
Saturday after 11am Mass and 5pm

### THE CABIN – HOLD THE DATE

On **Sunday 28th July** the Cabin will be open after **11am mass until 2pm** to celebrate the end of the school year. There will be fun games and extra treats! All are welcome! Graeme Walsh



### CHANGE OF MASS TIME

**Friday 19th July – 9.30 am**

### SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

On Saturday 20th July at the 11am Mass Fr Christophe will baptise two babies. We welcome Jacob Stanislaus and Niall Lewin into Gods family. Please pray for them.

### SACRAMENTS 2020

Initial interest forms for the sacraments of First Reconciliation and First Holy Communion for children in school year 3 will be available from 21 July until 16 September.

Also available are initial interest forms for Confirmation preparation for young people in school year 10 and above. Alternatively, you can email your child's details to the parish office or Giulia Kemp [giuliakemp@rcdow.org.uk](mailto:giuliakemp@rcdow.org.uk)

### PARISH GROUPS

#### Monday Prayer Group

Fiona Castle was so encouraging about the gifts that everyone has been given by the Holy Spirit! May we pass on the message! Next Monday 15 July at 8 pm we have Jeremy Jennings who runs the 7 am Prayer Breakfast at Holy Trinity Brompton and is returning to inspire us, after a long interval; it will be a great evening, the worship being led by Thomas Aston; as usual there will be healing ministry conducted by a trained team. Everyone most welcome.

#### Parent & Toddlers

Wednesdays 9.30 – 11.30am

#### 31 July Teddy Bear's Picnic

7, 14 21, 28 August will be run by a small group of parents.



#### Being Together Club (BT CLUB)

#### Thursday 1.30 - 3.30pm in the Small Hall

18th July Pimms O'Clock & Lawn Games

25th July Summer Afternoon Tea Party

1st August Drop in

8th August Drop in

15th August }

22nd August } **CLOSED**

29th August }

5th September Welcome back



### SEA SUNDAY

Today is Sea Sunday, when the Church prays for all those who live and work at sea. Without them we would not have most of the items we buy in the shops. Today's second collection is for Stella Maris (Apostleship of the Sea), the Church's official maritime welfare agency. It supports seafarers both practically and spiritually.

This collection is vital to enable it to continue its work, so please give generously and remember seafarers in your prayers. Thank you. To donate online please visit [www.apostleshipofthesea.org.uk](http://www.apostleshipofthesea.org.uk)



### 200 CLUB DRAW

#### May winners

£75 prize Eveline Palmer

£50 prize Dorothy Rayner

£25 prize Brenda & Peter Hylton

#### June winners

£75 prize Sheila D'Souza

£50 prize Sheila Scott

£25 prize Valerie Keville



### SHEPHERD'S OUTFITS

Pattern and fabric provided for anyone who could make us some new nativity costumes.

Sunday 14 July 2019	<b>FIFTEENTH SUNDAY year C</b> Masses: 9.00am & 11.00am Readings: Deuteronomy 30:10-14. Ps. 68:14. 17. 30-31. 33-34. 36-37. Col. 1:15-20. Lk. 10:25-37.	Thursday 18 July	Feria Mass: 11.00am Readings: Exod. 3:13-20. Ps. 104:1. 5. 8-9. 24-27. Mt. 11:28-30.
Monday 15 July	St Bonaventure, Bishop & Doctor Mass: 11.00am Readings: Exod. 1:8-14. 22. Ps. 123. Mt. 10:34 – 11:1.	Friday 19 July	Feria <b>Mass: 9.30am</b> Readings: Exod. 11:10 – 12:14. Ps. 115:12-13. 15-18. Mt. 12:1-8.
Tuesday 16 July	Feria <b>NO MASS</b> Readings: Exod. 2:1-15. Ps. 68:3. 14. 30-31. 33-34. Mt. 11:20-24.	Saturday 20 July	Our Lady on Saturday Masses: 11.00am & 5.30pm Readings: Exod. 12:37-42. Ps. 135:1. 10-15. 23-24.
Wednesday 17 July	Feria Mass: 11.00am Readings: Exod. 3:1-6. 9-12. Ps. 102:1-4. 6-7. Mt. 11:25-27.	Sunday 21 July	<b>SIXTEENTH SUNDAY year C</b> Masses: 9.00am & 11.00am Readings: Genesis 18:1-10. Ps. 14:2-5. Col. 1:24-28. Lk. 10:38-42.