

# CHRIST the KING

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## THIRTY-THIRD SUNDAY Year C

Week of the Psalter 1

### THE MESSAGE OF POPE FRANCIS' ENCYCLICAL LAUDATO SI' ON CARE FOR OUR COMMON HOME

#9 As Christians, we are called "to accept the world as a sacrament of communion, as a way of sharing with God and our neighbours on a global scale."

#52 We need to strengthen the conviction that we are one single human family. There are no frontiers or barriers, political or social, behind which we can hide, still less is there room for the globalisation of indifference.

#92 When our hearts are authentically open to universal communion, this sense of fraternity excludes nothing and no one. Everything is related, and we human beings are united as brothers and sisters on a wonderful pilgrimage, woven together by the love of God has for each of his creatures and which also unites us in fond affection with brother sun, sister moon, brother river and mother earth.

#232 Around community actions, relationships develop or are recovered and a new social fabric emerges. Thus, a community can break out of the indifference induced by consumerism. The actions cultivate a shared identity, which can be remembered and handed on. In this way, the world, and the quality of life of the poorest, are cared for, with a sense of solidarity which is at the same time aware that we live in a common home which God has entrusted to us. These community actions, when they express self-giving love, can also become intense spiritual experiences.

God of love, show us our place in this world  
as channels of your love  
for all creatures of this earth,  
for not one of them is forgotten in your sight  
Enlighten those who possess power and money  
that they may avoid the sin of indifference,  
and care for this world in which we live.  
O Lord, seize us with your power and light,  
help us to protect all life,  
to prepare for a better future,  
for the coming of your Kingdom  
of justice, peace, love and beauty.  
Praise be to you!  
Amen.

### Focus of the Week

#### FEAST OF CHRIST THE KING - Sunday 24th November - CREATION CELEBRATION DAY

Give thanks for the gift of creation. Gather together for a delicious vegetarian curry lunch after 11.00am Mass. Get involved in the creation conversation. Go to great workshops, have fun and learn more.



Tickets for sale in the office and after masses on 16th/17th November.  
Let's restore our beautiful home! Together. £15 per adult / £5 under 14's

#### **Parish Retreat in Daily Life Sunday 8th December to Friday 13th December 2019**

The retreat starts on Sunday evening at 6 pm in the church. Throughout the week you will have a daily bible reading to pray with and a daily accompaniment of up to 30 minutes at a time that suits you (including evenings). The final meeting will be as a group on Friday evening at 8pm.



## CHRISTMAS OPEN DAY



In order to offer our traditional Christmas dinner on 25th December we need helpers beforehand and on the day, and drivers to transport our guests to and from the church. **If you can spare an hour or two (or more) please complete a blue form and leave it in the office.** If you have any queries please contact Frances, tel: 020 8886 3773, email: fmhalliday99@gmail.com

## PARISH GROUPS

### Monday Prayer Group

We meet next at **8pm on Monday 18 November** when we welcome again Dan Usher and his worship band from Holy Trinity Brompton and the Filling Station in Notting Hill; it is bound to be a great evening full of praise and worship! Everyone is most welcome. We also would love suggestions about new inspiring speakers - we have lots and are booked till next March, but are keen to have new ones. One exciting date for the diary is Monday 1 June when we have again the young actress, Charis King, who will act Pentecost for us!

### Parent & Toddlers

Wednesdays 9.30 – 11.00am  
If anyone can spare two hours, once a fortnight it would be greatly appreciated.



### BT Club Thursday afternoons 1.30 - 3.30pm

21st November Fire Safety - Southgate Fire Fighters  
28th November Theatre Trip

### CWL

**28<sup>th</sup> November** – Trip to Christmas Show.

### KSC – Knights of St. Columba

### 20<sup>th</sup> November – 7.30pm Mass

Mass will be followed by Provincial Council Meeting held in St. Johns Room.

## THE SICK & RETIRED PRIESTS

Thank you for so generously supporting the Sick & Retired Priests' Fund collection last weekend. Envelopes are still available from the entrance hall. You can also donate online at [www.rcdow.org.uk/donations](http://www.rcdow.org.uk/donations)

## CHRISTMAS CARDS, diaries and candles

are now on sale in the shop.



## YOUTH MATTERS

### Sacraments 2020

The next Reconciliation and Holy Communion will be at 9.45am followed by 11am Mass on **Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> November for the children and parents.**



### Confirmation Group

**Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> November** the Confirmation group are attending the event at **St Monica's 7 – 9pm**. Parents to drop their children directly to St Monica's.

## WESTMINSTER YOUTH MINISTRY



Westminster Youth Ministry is preparing a youth event aimed at **those aged 13-18**, to take place on **Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> November**.

The event will be a chance for young people in the diocese to socialise, share a meal together, learn more about their faith and be introduced to a deeper level of prayer and adoration. Based in **St Monica's Church**, the Summit will run **from 7-9pm** and will be a great chance to meet other young Catholics and enjoy our exciting programme of guest speakers, live music, prayer and of course some lovely food! The **event is free** and does not require you to have a ticket so please come along and encourage your friends, to join us for a great evening. The Confirmation Group will be attending.

## DOROTHY RAYNER



Thank you to all who sent congratulations, best wishes and presents to Dorothy who celebrated her 102nd BIRTHDAY on 7 November with staff at the care home together with her friends who visited her on the day.

**CAFOD** World Gifts are a fun and meaningful way to give Christmas gifts to the people you love, and make a difference to some of the poorest communities around the world at the same time. Each gift comes with a Christmas gift card and you can choose from a great range, including sending a goat, building a business or helping a refugee child. Please take home a World Gifts catalogue after Mass or see the gift range online <https://cafod.org.uk/Give/World-Gifts>

Sunday 17 November 2019	<b>THIRTY-THIRD SUNDAY year C</b> Masses: 9.00am & 11.00am Readings: Malachi 3:19-20. Ps. 97:5-9. 2 Thess. 3:7-12. Lk. 21:5-19.	Thursday 21 November	The Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary Mass: 11.00am Readings: Zech. 2:14-17. Ps. Lk. 1:46-55. Mt. 12:46-50.
Monday 18 November	Feria Mass: 11.00am Readings: 1 Macc. 1:10-15. 41-43. 54-57. 62-64. Ps. 118:53. 61. 134. 150. 155. 158. Lk. 18:35-43.	Friday 22 November	St Cecilia, Virgin & Martyr Mass: 11.00am Readings: 1 Macc. 4:36-37. 52-59 Ps. 1 Chron 29:10-12. Lk. 19:45-48.
Tuesday 19 November	Feria <b>NO MASS</b> Readings: 2 Macc. 6:18-31. Ps. 3:2-7. Lk. 19:1-10.	Saturday 23 November	Our Lady on Saturday Masses: 11.00am & 5.30pm Readings: 1 Macc. 6:1-13. Ps. 9:2-4. 6. 16. 19. Lk. 20:27-40.
Wednesday 20 November	Feria Mass: 11.00am Readings: 2 Macc. 7:1. 20-31. Ps. 16:1. 5-6. 8. 15. Lk. 19:11-28.	Sunday 24 November	<b>FEAST OF CHRIST THE KING year C</b> Masses: 9.00am & 11.00am Readings: 2 Samuel 5:1-3. Ps. 121:1-5. Col. 1:12-20. Lk. 23:35-43.