

OUR LADY AND ST MICHAEL CATHOLIC CHURCH

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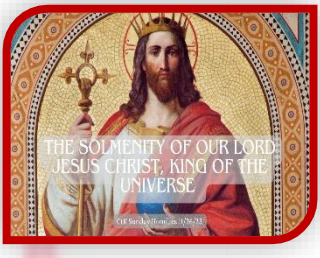

Our Lord Jesus Christ King of the Universe

(Year A)

22nd – 29th November 2026 (Ps Wk. 2)

PARISH TEAM

PARISH CLERGY:

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Parish Administrator: *garston@rcdow.org.uk*
Catia ANDRADE *Office Hours:*
Mon. *8.00-12.00* Tue. *8.00-10.00* Fri. *9.00-15.00*
Parish Bookkeeper: *garstonbk@rcdow.org.uk*
Laura ETSON: Office Hrs: Wed. 9.30-2.30 pm

OUR SCHOOLS:
***St Michael's High School**
***St. Catherine Primary**
***St Michael Pre-School**

SAFEGUARDING Reps: **1: Debbie Stone** garstonsg2@safeguardrcdow.org.uk
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Parish Bank Details: **Name: *WRCDT Garston; Sort Code: 40-05-20; Acc. N.: 41095897***
Please add your appropriate reference (Mass intention, etc) to help our bookkeeper.

CONFESSIONS: Every Saturday, 5:15 pm-5:45 pm or by appointment

PARISHIONER REGISTRATION: We welcome new parishioners. Please get in touch with the parish office to receive a welcome pack and register with the parish. **FUNERALS**: The Catholic Church does allow for both burial and cremation, but does NOT permit scattering of the ashes; they must be buried or interred. Please speak to the parish clergy to arrange this.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

✝**SECOND COLLECTION:** This week will be for diocesan Youth Ministry.

✝**ADVENT RECOLLECTION TALK: This will take place Saturday 28th November.** It will begin with confession at 4.15 pm, followed by the Talk at 5 pm. This is preparing us for a fruitful Advent and Christmas Season.

✝**WATFORD NEW HOPE COLLECTION FOR THE HOMELESS:** Next weekend, Rebecca Palmer, the New Hope Fundraising and Communications Manager, will be speaking at every Mass. Our parish has held this annual Advent collection since 2004. It is our opportunity to give practical help to people in our community who find themselves homeless and in distress.

✝ **1st FRIDAY OF THE MONTH MASS OF THE SICK AND ADORATION** will take place on Friday 4th of December at 9.30 am

✝**YOUTH MEETING:** Get ready for a cosy, fun-filled evening as we embrace the Christmas spirit! Our next Youth Club meeting will take place on **Saturday 5th December**, following the Youth Mass at **7 pm**. This time, we're having a Christmas Movie Night! 🎥 Bring along your favourite pillow or a cosy blanket as we settle in to enjoy a festive movie together, with plenty of tasty snacks and popcorn! Let's come together, share some laughter and friendship, and get into the joy of the Christmas season! We look forward to seeing you all there! Don't forget your pillow or cosy blanket! 🎄 🍿

✝**SENIOR'S CHRISTMAS PARTY:** will take place on Sunday 6th of December from 2 pm till 4.30 pm. Please register at the back in the lists provided.

✝**CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS PARTY:** Please register using the lists at the back to meet Father Christmas on 13th December from 1 pm onwards. The cost is £5 per Child.

✝**EUCHARISTIC MINISTER TRAINING** will take place on Thursday 3rd of December at 6.30 pm and Saturday 5th December at 10 am**. It must be attended in order to renew your Commitment on the 29th and 30th of May 2027.**

✝**ALTAR SERVERS TRAINING** will take place on Sunday 13th of December at 11 am in preparation for Christmas services. **It must be attended in order to renew your commitment at the 26th of December 9.30 am Mass.**

✝**READERS TRAINING** will take place on Friday 5th of February at 6.30 pm and 6th of February at 10 am**. It must be attended in order to renew your Commitment on the 22nd and 23rd of May 2027.**

SACRAMENTS and CATECHETICAL PROGRAMMES

✝ **BAPTISMS:** There will be no Baptism course throughout Advent Season. Will resume in January.

✝**FIRST COMMUNION:** Next Parent Session - 01/12/26 at 7 pm; children's session– 12/12/26 at 10 am and 12.30 pm.

✝**CONFIRMATION:** Advent Prayer Session – 20/11/26 at 7 pm at Church; next Parent Session - 3/12/26; candidates' session – 5/12/26, followed by Youth Club in the hall.

✝**RCIA:** Will meet on Tuesday.

GENERAL PARISH NOTICES

✞**WATFORD FOODBANK:** Thank you for two £20 donations for the Foodbank. Apologies for the delay in acknowledging these donations, which were made in July and August.

✞ **SICK AND HOUSEBOUND:** Pray for Mary Connors, Theresa Leszczynska, Noel Patten, Livinus Agu, Jolanta Nowak, Nimmi Pannell, Mary Murphy, Jimmy Murphy, Ruban Ambrose, Kathleen Sole, Maria Bayle, Ana Adeleke, Joe Rooney, John Moloney, Joseph Melder, Gillian Beagley, Ellie Belsham, Monica Davis, Jacqueline Cherrill, Janet Richardson, Julie Harrison, Helen J and Mary J Cash, Sandra Clark, Miss Clancy. ***A full list is available on the parish website.***

✞**RECENTLY DECEASED:** Pray for Thomas Cunningham, Eamon Cullen, Barbara McNamara, Christine Sonner, Raffy, Eugene O'Connor, Eileen Cassidy, Miles Cash, Eileen Cash, Paddy and Billy Cassidy, John Berry, Vincent Wem, Kevin Herbert, Thomas Hughes, Josephine Wem, Carol Ann Powel, Dennis Murtagh, Gerry Olohan, James O'Connell, Sherley Robbins, Ann O'Connor, Graham Booth, and their families at this time of loss.

✞**THIS WEEK COLLECTIONS: Loose: £ 578.51, Envelopes: £114.43.** Contactless donations shared monthly. Thank you for your Support.

✞ **CHURCH CLEANING:** Team 1 will clean the church next Friday at 10 am . You are invited to join them. Thank you to those who volunteer for this, and if you can spare some time, please help in this ministry.

UPCOMING PARISH / SOCIAL EVENTS

DATE	EVENT	TIME	WHERE
05/12/2026	Youth Group Meeting	7 pm	Parish Hall
06/12/2026	Seniors Christmas Party	2 pm	Parish Hall
12/12/2026	Our Lady of Guadalupe	3.30 pm	Church
13/12/2026	Children's Christmas Party	1.00 pm	Parish Hall
4th-5th /12/26	Eucharistic Minister training	6.30 pm / 10 am	Church
13/12/2026	Altar servers training	11 am	Church
5th -6th /12/2026	Readers training	6.30 pm / 10 am	Church

✞PARISH GROUPS:

	Group	When	Where
Monday	*Finance Committee*	**12th January 2027 at 7 pm**	Meeting Room
	PAC	**1st February 2027 at 7 pm**	Meeting Room
Tuesday	*Spiritan Friends*	**7 pm - 1st Tuesday (monthly)**	Presbytery
	St. Vincent de Paul	**7:15 pm 2nd Tuesday (monthly)**	Meeting room
	Serra Club	**7:30 pm - 2nd Tuesday (monthly)**	Zoom
	RCIA	**6.15 pm Tuesday**	Meeting room
Friday	*Sunshine Club*	**2 pm-4 pm - 1st Friday (monthly)**	Hall
	Charismatic Prayer Grp	**7:30 pm – 4th December**	Church
Saturday	*Liturgy Committee*	**13th January 2026 at 10 am**	Meeting Room

MASS TIMES AND INTENTIONS

33rd Sunday Of Ordinary Time (Year A)

SANCTUARY LAMPS: Margaret and Terry Gidman RIP

21/11 SATURDAY	**6.00 pm Vigil Mass** **Our Lord Jesus Christ King of the Universe**	*Eugene O'Connor RIP
22/11 SUNDAY **Ezekiel 34:11-12, 15-17** **1 Corinthians 15:20-26, 28** **Matthew 25:31-46**	**8:30 am Mass (Ps Wk. 2)** **10.00 am Mass** **Our Lord Jesus Christ King of the Universe** **Tea and Coffee** **12.00 noon MASS**	*All holy souls of little children * Musicians of the Parish/ St Cecilia *Kevin Herbert RIP *Tony Belsham RIP *Agnes Darkowaa RIP
23/11 MONDAY	**9.30 am Feria Mass**	*Beverly Fulkner RIP Ann. *Mary Ryan 6th ann. RIP
24/11 TUESDAY	**9.30 am St Andrew Dung-Lac**	*
25/11 WEDNESDAY	**6:30 pm** Adoration **7.00 pm Feria Mass**	*Thomas and Mary Duggan RIP *Peter Arokiasamy RIP Ann
26/11 THURSDAY	**No Mass**	
27/11 FRIDAY	**9.30 am Feria Mass**	*Tom & Bridget Mongan & Family rip ann
28/11 SATURDAY	**6.00 pm Vigil Mass** **FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT**	* John and Norah Maher RIP
29/11 SUNDAY **Isaiah 2:1-5** **Romans 13:11-14** **Matthew 24:37-44**	**8:30 am Mass (Ps Wk. 3)** **10.00 am Mass** **FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT** **Tea and Coffee** **12.00 noon MASS**	* Terry Hodgson RIP * Soluchi Okoye 4th Ann *Missa Pro Populo

MASS INTENTION



To offer a Mass Intention, please email the office, give a note to the parish clergy, or post a note through the presbytery letterbox. Please include intention details (name and RIP/anniversary/private intention)

NOTE: IF THERE IS A FUNERAL, THERE WILL BE ONLY ONE MASS

Donate to our Parish

JOIN THE PARISH WEEKLY PRAYERS:

✞**MORNING PRAYER:** Monday, Tuesday, Friday 9. 00 am

✞**ADORATION/BENEDICTION:** Wednesdays 6.30-7.00 pm

✞**1st FRIDAY OF THE MONTH MASS OF THE SICK AND ADORATION: 9.30 AM**

SECOND COLLECTION:

WEEKEND	CAUSE
22/11/2026	Diocesan Youth Ministry
29/11/2026	New Hope