

**First Reading** Ezekiel 34: 11-12, 15-17. **Psalm** 22– The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want. **Second Reading** 1 Corinthians 15: 20-26,28. **Gospel** Matthew 25: 31- 46.

**MASS INTENTIONS Monday** Eileen O'Connor RIP **Tuesday** John Dempsey RIP **Wednesday** John Bernard Maidment RIP **Thursday** Seamus Carrick RIP **Friday** Uthayan Ratnasabapathy INT **Saturday** People of the Parish **Sunday** Maria Dennehy, Daniel O'Shea, Mary O'Shea and Matt Mulligan RIP.

***We pray for  
the sick:***

Uthayan Ratnasabapathy, Patrick Arthur, Michael Quigley, Terry Kennedy, Annamaria and Jason Coutinho, Roseanna Lawler, Katherine Lewis, Michele Peiris, Michelle Moran, Joanne Brooks, Kathleen Fitzpatrick, Don Bernard Kathriaratchi, and those suffering from COVID 19,

***the recently deceased and their loved ones:***

Seamus Carrick, Richard Evans, Joseph Fontaine, George Dorset and Georg Danilenko,

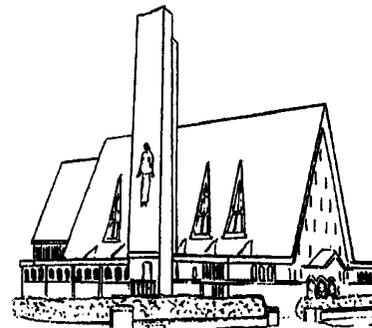
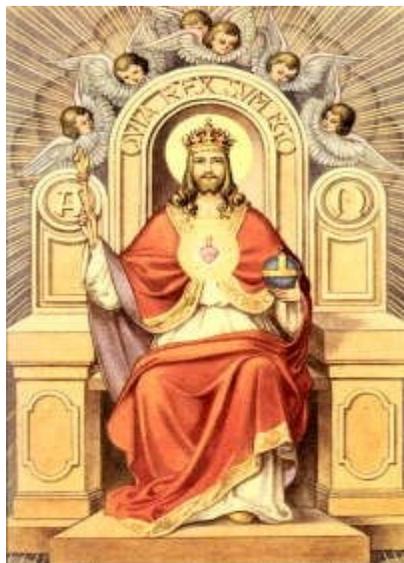
***and the faithful departed whose anniversaries***

***occur at about this time:***

Denis Moriarty.

***Holy Father's Prayer Intention for November. Artificial Intelligence.***

We pray that the progress of robotics and artificial intelligence may always serve humankind.



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**OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE**

22nd November 2020

**659** "So then the Lord Jesus, after he had spoken to them, was taken up into heaven, and sat down at the right hand of God. "Christ's body was glorified at the moment of his Resurrection, as proved by the new and supernatural properties it subsequently and permanently enjoys. But during the forty days when he eats and drinks familiarly with his disciples and teaches them about the kingdom, his glory remains veiled under the appearance of ordinary humanity. Jesus' final apparition ends with the irreversible entry of his humanity into divine glory, symbolized by the cloud and by heaven, where he is seated from that time forward at God's right hand. Only in a wholly exceptional and unique way would Jesus show himself to Paul "as to one untimely born", in a last apparition that established him as an apostle. (...)

**662** "and I, when I am lifted up from the earth, will draw all men to myself." The lifting up of Jesus on the cross signifies and announces his lifting up by his Ascension into heaven, and indeed begins it. Jesus Christ, the one priest of the new and eternal Covenant, "entered, not into a sanctuary made by human hands. . . but into heaven itself, now to appear in the presence of God on our behalf." There Christ permanently exercises his priesthood, for he "always lives to make intercession" for "those who draw near to God through him". As "high priest of the good things to come" he is the centre and the principal actor of the liturgy that honours the Father in heaven.

**663** Henceforth Christ is seated at the right hand of the Father: "By 'the Father's right hand' we understand the glory and honour of divinity, where he who exists as Son of God before all ages, indeed as God, of one being with the Father, is seated bodily after he became incarnate and his flesh was glorified."

**664** Being seated at the Father's right hand signifies the inauguration of the Messiah's kingdom, the fulfilment of the prophet Daniel's vision concerning the Son of man: "To him was given dominion and glory and kingdom, that all peoples, nations, and languages should serve him; his dominion is an everlasting dominion, which shall not pass away, and his kingdom one that shall not be destroyed." After this event the apostles became witnesses of the "kingdom [that] will have no end".

*Taken from the Catechism of the Catholic Church.*

**During lockdown the church will open for private prayer as follows:**

**Monday 9:00am- 10:00am**

**Wednesday 11:00am-12noon**

**Friday 2:30pm- 3:30pm**

**Saturday 11:00am-12noon**

**Remember to bring and wear a face covering over your mouth and nose at all times; to keep 2m social distance at all times; not to stay in church for the whole hour but for 15 minutes maximum; to wrap up well as the church will turn cold quickly; to book seats using the ticketing system whenever possible; and to say a heartfelt thank-you to the stewards who are making the opening of the church possible.**

Sunday 22nd November, ***the Feast of Christ the King***, the Church in England and Wales celebrates National Youth Sunday. On this day, we celebrate the young people in our parish and community and all the gifts and talents they share with us. The theme for this year's NYS is 'Together'. Normally on NYS, we would celebrate the contribution of young people to our parish. Whilst the parish community cannot be together physically as we were, we are united together in prayer. Today especially, we pray for the young people of our parish.

Deep cleaning of the church on ***Saturday 28th November at 8:30am***. All welcome!

***Bethany Bereavement Group***. Due to the present exceptional circumstances, Group members are still unable to make any home visits but they are willing to offer you support over the phone. If you would like a member of the Bethany Bereavement Group to call you, please contact Mrs. Jenny Cunniffe, the Group Coordinator, on 07847 167052. The Bethany Bereavement Group visitors have all undergone training and are able to listen to you during this time of bereavement. All phone calls will remain strictly confidential and your contact details will not be shared with any other group or organisation.

### ***The God Who Speaks*** **Meditate**

How do we reign with Christ? St John of the Cross, the Spanish mystic, gives an answer when he said "In the evening of life, we will be judged on love alone." That love expresses itself by the way we treated the weakest members of society: the hungry, the thirsty, the foreigner, the naked, the housebound, the imprisoned or those who are frail around. This is so because Jesus is present in them. We reign by serving the others.

### **Act**

The gospel suggests some physical works of mercy. Perhaps pick up one and try to put it into practice.

You can read the ***Westminster RC Diocesan Trust Annual Report & Accounts 2019*** on this link: <https://rcdow.org.uk/att/files/about%20us/diocese%20of%20westminster%20annual%20report%20%26%20accounts%202019.pdf>

***Saints-Inline Line dance*** ☩. We have been dancing on Zoom since April. We dance on Tuesday and Saturday morning at 10.30. If you would like to come and join us on Zoom you can contact us at [maryandsandra@saints-inline.co.uk](mailto:maryandsandra@saints-inline.co.uk) ☩

### **From the Encyclical Letter *Fratelli Tutti*** ***Pandemics and other calamities in history***

32. True, a worldwide tragedy like the Covid-19 pandemic momentarily revived the sense that we are a global community, all in the same boat, where one person's problems are the problems of all. Once more we realized that no one is saved alone; we can only be saved together. As I said in those days, "the storm has exposed our vulnerability and uncovered those false and superfluous certainties around which we constructed our daily schedules, our projects, our habits and priorities... Amid this storm, the façade of those stereotypes with which we camouflaged our egos, always worrying about appearances, has fallen away, revealing once more the ineluctable and blessed awareness that we are part of one another, that we are brothers and sisters of one another".

33. The world was relentlessly moving towards an economy that, thanks to technological progress, sought to reduce "human costs"; there were those who would have had us believe that freedom of the market was sufficient to keep everything secure. Yet the brutal and unforeseen blow of this uncontrolled pandemic forced us to recover our concern for human beings, for everyone, rather than for the benefit of a few. Today we can recognize that "we fed ourselves on dreams of splendour and grandeur, and ended up consuming distraction, insularity and solitude. We gorged ourselves on networking, and lost the taste of fraternity. We looked for quick and safe results, only to find ourselves overwhelmed by impatience and anxiety. Prisoners of a virtual reality, we lost the taste and flavour of the truly real". The pain, uncertainty and fear, and the realization of our own limitations, brought on by the pandemic have only made it all the more urgent that we rethink our styles of life, our relationships, the organization of our societies and, above all, the meaning of our existence.

34. If everything is connected, it is hard to imagine that this global disaster is unrelated to our way of approaching reality, our claim to be absolute masters of our own lives and of all that exists. I do not want to speak of divine retribution, nor would it be sufficient to say that the harm we do to nature is itself the punishment for our offences. The world is itself crying out in rebellion. We are reminded of the well-known verse of the poet Virgil that evokes the "tears of things", the misfortunes of life and history.

*The Encyclical Letter can be found on the Vatican website: [http://www.vatican.va/content/francesco/en/encyclicals/documents/papa-francesco\\_20201003\\_enciclica-fratelli-tutti.html](http://www.vatican.va/content/francesco/en/encyclicals/documents/papa-francesco_20201003_enciclica-fratelli-tutti.html)*