# THIS WEEK'S LAMP DEDICATIONS ARE FOR:

Sanctuary Lamps - Ollie Cullen (RIP)

Our Lady's Chapel - Agnes Keane (RIP)

| MASS INTENTIONS FOR 26TH NOVEMBER TO 3RD DECEMBER 2023          |   |  |
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| Sunday 26th November Our Lord Jesus Christ King of the Universe | 5.30 pm (Sat)<br>10.00 am<br>12 noon<br>6.00 pm   | Holy Souls + Dudley Quinn & Francis Fernandes (RIP) Holy Souls + People of the Parish Holy Souls + Mai Hennessy (RIP) Holy Souls + Ainsley, Claire & Henry Maull (RIP) |
| Monday 27th November  | 9.45 am<br>10.00 am                               | Morning Prayer<br>Holy Souls + Tara Nagle (Intentions)   |
| Tuesday 28th November   | 9.45 am<br>10.00 am                               | Morning Prayer<br>Holy Souls + Barbara McBurney (RIP)  |
| Wednesday 29th November   | 9.45 am<br>10.00 am                               | Morning Prayer<br>Holy Souls + Ines Mussi (Intentions)   |
| The sector 2016 No. 1 celebrar                                  | NO MASS HERE TODAY The Church will remain closed. |  |
| Thursday 30th November St. Andrew                               |   |  |
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| St. Andrew  | The Church w                                      | ill remain closed.  Morning Prayer   |



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# Parish of St. Gregory The Great

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# **PARISH TEAM**

Parish Priest: Fr. Paulo Bagini pbagini@rcdow.org.uk **Parish Administrator: Gillian Harrington** gillianharrington@rcdow.org.uk Joanna.whooley@gmail.com Pastoral Assistant: Sr. Joanna Whooley ruislipsouth@rcdow.org.uk **Parish Office** 

Parish Office Hours: Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday 9.00am-12noon

The Parish Office is closed on Thursdays.

# **Christ the King**

We come to the end of another Liturgical Year and what we celebrate to mark its last Sunday is the Kingship of Jesus Christ. Once more throughout this year Christ has walked side by side with us, through the ups and downs of our life's journey, a journey that Christ is doing everything he can to have it's destination in Him. We started this journey in a Manger, passing through the Cross, death and Resurrection, we received the Holy Spirit and we heard, time and again all the great things that Jesus did for us and for our salvation. Now, at the end of this journey we meet him for whom he really is: a king. Yet not an oppressive dictator, or a distant, symbolic figure, but a king who serves: a king to whom all belongs, and yet gives himself totally to us; a king who is merciful, but also just, who takes what we do or not do very seriously.

This feast was instituted by Pope Pius XI in 1925, at a time in which, with the rise of secularism, there was an increasing denial of Christ as King. Unfortunately we still see among us a constant presence of people who find no relevance in the Church, or Christ or even God. Many times they live a life without a direction, with a sense of loneliness. Individualism has been embraced to such an extreme, that for many, the only authority is the individual self. The idea of Christ as ruler is rejected in such a strongly individualistic system. No wonder Pope Francis exhorted us again and again though his speeches, homilies and even more strongly through his Encyclical 'The Joy of the Gospel' to be 'missionary disciples', to go out and meet these brothers and sisters, to tell them of the joy of knowing Jesus Christ, that they are not alone, but that Jesus walks alongside them. We can gain strength and courage from the celebration of this feast, as we are reminded that Christ must reign in our hearts, minds, wills, and bodies., and so be made better missionary disciples. In the Gospel we will hear of very concrete, practical ways in which we can reach out to others. Let us pay great attention to it. Accompanied by Jesus, may we fulfil whatever mission he has for us, and may we hear from him those beautiful words: "Come, Blessed of my Father."

#### **SAFEGUARDING**

If anyone has any concerns regarding the welfare of a child or vulnerable adult, please contact the parish priest or the designated safeguarding officer, details below. Danuta Howe - ruislipsouthsg@safeguardrcdow.org.uk

### **PARISH REGISTRATION**

If you have recently joined the parish, or not completed a Registration Card in the last two years, please do so and return it to the presbytery. These cards are available in the porch or from the Parish Office. Our records are referred to for applications for sacramental preparation and school application forms.

## PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK AND HOUSEBOUND:-

Tony Johnson, Liam Warren, Micah McKennon, Mary Temple, Nicola Teune, Michael Clough, Bridget Finch, Angie Webster, Mary Wallace, Kevin Ryan, Theresa Brent, Anne-Marie Henry, Barbara Hayes, Ron Crann, John McEvoy, Donna White, Gillian Burke, Alan Downes, John Higgins, Maxi Giambrone, Mary O'Regan, Nollaig Donegan, Kamini Mahida, Salvatore Giambrone, Gary Sheppard, John McCarthy, George Alden, baby Wilf, Joseph Jackson, Isabella Czerniajew, Doreen Sullivan, Audrey Farrell, John Boyne, Philip Rodgers, Rita Clli, Mary Theresa Mills, Laura Madeira, Tom Doyle, Ciaran Murphy, Lilian Scott, Phelmene Henry, Josie Lambert, Pat Naylor, Jim Moir, Amanda Remedios, Tom McDonagh, Michael McDonagh, Bridget McDonagh, Jerry Mallett, Mary Cotter, Innis Mussi, Helen Dooley, Francine Williams, Jo Crann.

(Please tell us when people can be taken off this list).

# PLEASE PRAY FOR THOSE WHO HAVE DIED RECENTLY AND THOSE WHOSE ANNIVER-SARY OCCURS ABOUT THIS TIME. WE ALSO REMEMBER AT THIS TIME:

All those in our book of remembrance, Ollie Cullen, Agnes Keane, Dudley Quinn & Francis Fernandes, Mai Hennessy, Ainsley, Claire & Henry Maull, Barbara McBurney, Fintan Callaghan.

# **RED SANCTUARY LAMPS / BLUE LAMP BY OUR LADY**

If you would like to have these dedicated for a week to the memory of a loved one, or for someone's intentions please contact Gillian in the parish office. There is a suggested donation of £10 for the Red Sanctuary lamps and £5 for Our Lady, the names will appear on the newsletter for the specific week.

# **COLLECTIONS 19/11/2023**

Standing Orders £1192.38

Envelopes £ 216.10

Loose Plate £ 522.99

# **WEDDINGS**

Couples wishing to marry here or in any Catholic Church need to give at least <u>six months'</u> notice of their intentions.

# ST VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY (SVP NEWS)

This weekend marks the end of the Church's year and the beginning of a new one! Is your inner self, your soul, beginning to wonder what new resolution to take up, to mark this new year in the life of the Church? Is your soul nagging you, longing to make contact with its brother and sister souls in the people of the parish around you? Do you sometimes feel an unsettled, burning sensation within you? This may well be your inner self, your soul, the Holy Spirit, communicating with you to say that it longs to put your gifts and fruits of the Holy Spirit in to action! 'Turning Concern into Action' is the global strapline of the SVP, and joining your local SVP Team may be one way of responding to your soul. We are always in need of new members and you will be guaranteed to make some new friends!! Just get in touch if this fits the bill for you!! To close, as ever, please remain aware of need within our community and just get in touch with us if you think our help is needed - we can be contacted on 07563 775777, info@svpsouthruislip.org.uk and/or www.svpsouthruislip.org.uk. We will always try our best to help.

## ITEMS THE SVP WOULD LIKE FOR THE FOOD BANK THIS WEEK - FULL LIST IN PORCH

Tinned fish/meat Tinned vegetables Tinned fruit/custard/biscuits Chickpeas/Kidney beans Tea/Coffee/Biscuits Long-life milk & Squash/Juice Rice/Pasta/Curry Sauce Cooking oil Nappies size 5 &6

#### SCHOOL FORM SIGNING - CERTIFICATE OF CATHOLIC PRACTICE

Please collect an information sheet from Fr. Paulo after any Sunday Mass. Then contact Gillian in the parish office to make an appointment to meet with Fr. Paulo.

## **MISSIO APPEAL**

This has had to be postponed to an alternative weekend. Date to be confirmed.

# **CANDLES**

With the cost of supplies increasing, unfortunately we have found it necessary that, from the beginning of December, we will have to increase the price of our votive candles from 20p to 25p. This is the first increase we have implemented in over 20 years so we hope you understand.

#### **UKRAINIAN CHRISTMAS MARKET**

The Ukrainian community of our parish will again be holding a Christmas Market in our church hall on Sunday 3rd December from 11am to 5pm. All proceeds from this market will go directly to help the Ukrainian children suffering from the war.

## **Bible Studies**

Our next bible studies will be in the parish hall on Tuesday 28th November at 7.30pm.

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