



PRAYING TOGETHER FOR THE CHURCH, THE WORLD, THE PARISH & ONE ANOTHER

Due to the new legislation on Data Protection Legislation (GDPR) each person who has their name on the newsletter (as in the sick list below) must give their consent to their names appearing. So once again we start a new list. If you would like your name or the name of someone who is sick who needs our prayers then you must supply the office with: 1. The name and, 2. Evidence of their or your consent.

SICK & HOUSEBOUND: Michael Dempsey, Michael Fahey, Michael Griffin, Anne Hull, Gillian Gibbs, Catherine Kevill, Margaret O'Shea, Lionel Stonehouse, Cardinal Vincent Nichols.

RECENTLY BAPTISED: Olivia O'Boyle.

RECENTLY DEPARTED: Attilio Pittiglio.

ANNIVERSARIES OF THE DEPARTED: Frank Hunt, Martin McAnulty.

PLEASE PRAY for all taking part and presenting Marriage Encounter in Rugby this weekend.

INTENTIONS OF POPE FRANCIS FOR NOVEMBER
Universal – In Service of Peace That the language of love and dialogue may always prevail over the language of conflict.



When once men recognize, both in private and in public life, that Christ is King, society will at last receive the great blessings of real liberty, well-ordered discipline, peace and harmony.

— Pope Pius XI —

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PRAYER TO CHRIST THE KING

O Christ Jesus, I acknowledge You as King of the universe. All that has been created has been made for You. Exercise over me all Your rights. I renew my baptismal promises, renouncing Satan and all his works and empty promises. I promise to live a good Christian life and to do all in my power to procure the triumph of the rights of God and Your Church.

SANCTUARY LAMP

HAS BEEN SPONSORED THIS WEEK
FOR PRIVATE INTENTIONS

LAMP AT THE ALTAR OF OUR LADY OF WALSHINGHAM

has been sponsored this week
FOR PRIVATE INTENTIONS

ROSARY AT HOME: This week the statue of Our Lady of Fatima will be at the home of Annie Toal



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Sunday cycle
Readings Year B

Weekday Readings
Year 34, Week 2

Divine Office
Week 2

The Catholic Parish
of St George, Sudbury



Sunday 25th November 2018 CHRIST THE KING OF THE UNIVERSE

Welcome to all at Mass today, especially to any visitors and particularly those who are here for the first time. Please take this sheet home with you which will tell you about this week's celebration and the activities during the week and also to remind you of our Liturgy today.

TODAY'S MASS



PILATES SAID TO JESUS: ARE YOU THE KING OF THE JEWS? JN 18: 33

Today Pilate questions Jesus about the charges brought against him. Caiaphas and the high priests have charged Jesus with a political crime, one that would require a punishment of death. Pilate distances himself from the Jewish leaders who accuse Jesus; he is not a Jew, and he seems to want little to do with this Jewish affair. In his responses to Pilate's questions, Jesus distinguishes his kingdom from

the political powers of this world. King and kingdom may be appropriate terms for Jesus' mission and promise, but only by analogy. Jesus is king, but not the kind of king we imagine or expect. He was certainly not the kind of king Pilate feared he might be.

First Reading: Daniel 7:13-14

Daniel prophesies about the coming of the Son of Man.

Second Reading: Revelation 1:5-8

Jesus is the firstborn of the dead and the ruler of all.

Gospel Reading: John 18:33b-37

Jesus is questioned by Pilate about the charge brought against him that he is "King of the Jews."

SPIRITUAL QUOTE OF THE WEEK

"It is better to be a child of God than king of the whole world."

St. Aloysius Gonzaga

SUNDAY REFLECTION

Jesus was crucified for his claim to be the Messiah King who would rule not only over his people Israel but ultimately over all the nations as well. What is the significance or meaning of Jesus' kingship for us? Kingship today seems antiquated, especially in democratic societies where everyone is treated equal and free. God at first did not want to give his people Israel a king. Why? Because God alone was their King and they needed no other. Nonetheless, God relented and promised his people that through David's line he would establish a kingship that would last for eternity (Psalm 89:29). The Jews understood that the Messiah would come as king to establish God's reign for them. They wanted a king who would free them from tyranny and from foreign domination. Many had high hopes that Jesus would be the Messiah king. Little did they understand what kind of kingship Jesus claimed to have. Jesus came to conquer hearts and souls for an imperishable kingdom, rather than to conquer perishable lands and entitlements. When Satan tempted Jesus during his forty day fast in the wilderness, he offered Jesus all the kingdoms of the world (Matthew 4:8-9) Jesus knew that the world was in Satan's power. And this was precisely why Jesus came – to overthrow Satan's power and rule over



the earth. Jesus knew that the way to victory was through submission to his Father's will and through the sacrificial offering of his life upon the cross for the sins of the world. As Jesus was dying on the cross, he was mocked for his claim to kingship. Nonetheless, he died not only as King of the Jews, but as King of the nations as well. His victory over the power of sin, Satan, and the world, was accomplished through his death on the cross and his resurrection. Jesus exchanged a throne of glory for a cross of shame to restore us from slavery to sin to glory with God as his adopted sons and daughters. In the Book of Revelation Jesus is called King of kings and Lord and lords (Rev. 19:16). The scriptures present us with the choice between two kingdoms – the kingdom of light and the kingdom of darkness. The choice is ours to make voluntarily. Which kingdom do you serve - the world that passes away or God's kingdom which endures for all time? God's kingdom remains forever because it is built on the foundation of God's eternal love and justice. To accept Jesus as Lord and King is to become a citizen of an everlasting kingdom which is governed by righteousness, peace, truth, and love. Today each of us are asked to recognize Jesus Christ as our King and Lord.

SEARCHING FOR CONFIRMATION CATECHISTS—Might you consider giving a few months to help our young people grow in their faith as they prepare to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation? If you might consider serving the Parish in this way please let us know. Next year's Programme will run from January to June 2019.

HOLY BAPTISM: Information packs are available from the parish office. You can sign up there for the preparation evening. Parents to be, i.e. before birth, are welcome to attend. The next baptism preparation evening will be on **Friday 30th November at 7.30pm** in the parish centre.

ST. GEORGE'S CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL: If parents were unable to attend the open evening at St George's last week, there will be another opportunity to visit the school on Monday 10 December at 2pm. This will be for parents/carers with children born between 01.09.2014 and 31.08.2015 who will be due to start school in September 2019. Please ring the school office if you wish to attend on 020 8422 1272.

ST. GEORGE'S CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL—CHRISTMAS FAIR will take place on Friday 7th December 3-5.30pm. All welcome.

DIVINE MERCY -The **Divine Mercy Chaplet** will be recited in the church each Monday after the Rosary until **3rd December**. All are welcome!

LOST PROPERTY: All items left in church over the past weeks will be on display at the back of the church this weekend.. If you have lost gloves, umbrellas, glasses etc. please take a look.

CHURCH LAMPS: If you would like to sponsor the blessed sacrament lamp or the lamp by the altar of Our Lady of Walsingham with a particular intention, the cost is £10 for the week. Please see Toni in the Parish Office.

MASS INTENTIONS are booked until the end of March 2019. Remember to book your anniversary Masses early .

CHURCH CLEANING- Might you consider helping to clean the Church on a monthly basis. If so, please contact Julia on 0208 904 5324.

OVER 60'S CLUB: On Tuesday 27th November at 1pm. There will be a talk and slides of the Holy Land by Lorraine Maguire. All over 60's welcome.

MUMS & TODDLERS - The Parish is hoping, once again, to start a Mums & Toddlers group in the New Year. Rosie Long has generously offered to help with the practicalities of getting a future group started. If you are also interested in helping please contact Rosie at longrosaleen@yahoo.co.uk

ANY OLD STAMPS? There is a basket at the back of the church for old/used stamps. These will go towards the

mission of the Church in Tanzania/Kenya. Thanks to those who have already contributed.

THE PASSAGE is raising funds through the Big Give from 12 noon Tues 27th November – 12 noon Tues 4th December to support its work with homeless people this winter. **Double your Donation, Double your impact.** This is a matched giving scheme for online donations. If someone (can be company, individual or trust) gave £10 online matched giving of £10 would bring the Gift up to £20 (and for individuals to £22.50 with Gift Aid with higher rate tax relief it may cost the donor less than £10). For more **information ring Andrew Hollingsworth 020.7592.1856 andrew.h@passage.org.uk <https://secure.thebiggive.org.uk/project/30366>**

SVP VINNIE PACKS FOR THE HOMELESS: SVP are distributing 12,000 of these pack throughout the UK. Some have already been distributed but help is needed to pack more. The pack contain thermal hat, gloves, two pairs of socks, toothbrush, toothpaste, wet wipes, pen and information sheet). This year the packing venue is at SEIDs, Empire Way, Wembley, HA9 0RJ (the site of St. Joseph's Social Club) and the next packing dates are: **MONDAY 26th NOVEMBER**10am to 4pm; **SATURDAY 1st DECEMBER** 10am to 4pm

Please come and join us on any of the dates if you can. Family, friends and parishioners are very welcome. There is free parking, but please ask for a Vinnie Pack cover sheet to put on your dashboard on arrival. Please could you consider sponsoring packs at a suggested donation of £3.50 per pack. Donations can be sent to **Vinnie Packs, PO Box 72264, London SW1P 9EZ** with cheques made out to SVP.

KEEP FIT: Come and join us in the Parish Centre 2.00-3.00pm on Monday afternoons. Gentle exercise (no special kit needed!). All Welcome.

WHITE/YELLOW FOLDER INFORMATION FOR THE FOLLOWING: (See in church porch)
BEGINNING EXPERIENCE helps separated, divorced or widowed Catholics.
SMART LOVING SEMINAR for married couples.
CATHOLIC SINGLES information
RETROUVILLE—a lifeline for married couples.
WIDOWED YOUNG—support events.
CALIX CENTRE—A Catholic ministry to addicts.
ADULT FAITH FORMATION COURSES.
MARRIAGE/ENGAGED ENCOUNTER: www.wvme.org.uk

DIOCESAN VACANCIES please see folder in porch or diocesan website.

LEARNING SUPPORT ASSISTANT required at St. George's Catholic Primary School. (C/date 12 noon 12th December).

FOLDERS in the church porch: look for pilgrimages & retreats, job opportunities, schools & colleges information.

NEWS & VIEWS

NEW TO THE PARISH? If you are, please know you are very welcome. Please fill in one of the new parishioners forms at the back of church and we'll get back to you.

PLEASE LEAVE THE PEW NEAT AND TIDY AS YOU DEPART CHURCH TODAY. This is especially true if you have children using their worksheets. Please make sure they (or you) bring all the crayons back to the basket.

PARISH DIARY FOR THE WEEK

Sunday 25 November:

Teas/Coffees after 9.45am and 11.15am Masses.

Tuck Shop after 9.45am Mass

Monday 26 November:

Keep Fit 2.00pm

Tuesday 27 November:

Parish Small Group 10.15am

Over 60's Group 1.00pm

First Holy Communion 7.30pm

Set/Ceilidh Dancing 8.45pm

Wednesday 28 November:

Thursday 29 November:

Church Cleaning Group D 3.00pm

Friday 30 November:

Teas/Coffees after morning Mass in Bar/Café

Friends of Jesus 5.30pm

Baptism Preparation 7.30pm

FUNERAL MASS for Attilio Pittiglio RIP on Monday 26th November at 11am followed by burial at Northwood Cemetery.

NEXT SUNDAY is ADVENT SUNDAY and the beginning of the Church's Year and our preparation for Christmas.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION: This week's session, 'Preparing for Reconciliation', on Tuesday 27th November at 7.30pm is for Catechists and Children only. Thank you for continuing to practice the Prayer of Sorrow (Act of Contrition) with the children as they prepare for their First Confession.

CONFIRMATION 2019—An Information Evening will be taking place in the Parish Centre on **Monday 7th January at 7.30pm** for those young people in the Parish in **Year 10 and above** wishing to be confirmed at St. George's in 2019. **Enrolment Forms** will be provided at the Information Evening. Please note, as part of the enrolment process, candidates will need to provide a copy of their baptism certificate (and translation if not in English).

CHARITY CHRISTMAS CARD SALE will be taking place in the Parish Centre after all Morning Masses on Sunday 2nd December. If you would like to have a Charity Card Table please contact Sandra on 07812 103884 as soon as possible.

ble. Home-made cakes and raffle prizes would be greatly appreciated on the day.

PLEASE REMEMBER when buying stamps for your Christmas cards to ask for Christmas postage stamps.

CHRISTMAS CEILIDH in the parish centre on Friday 7th December at 8pm. All are welcome.

CHRISTMAS CELEBRATION EVENING on Saturday 8th December 7-11.30pm. Tickets available after Sunday Masses, from the presbytery or parish office.—Adults £16; Children £6.

SANCTUARY REORDERING: please take a leaflet (in a basket in the porch) outlining proposals for the new project for reordering. Thank you to all those who have so positively responded with comments.

HARROW DEANERY YOUNG ADULT TRIP TO TAIZÉ 2019 - Our Deanery is planning a trip to Taizé (France) for those **aged 18 to 29 from 10th to 19th August 2019**. The estimated cost is **£250**. To register your interest please contact Mr. Peter Kingsley at peterkingsley@rcdow.org.uk or call 020 8904 2552 (option 5).

PARISH SMALL GROUP—Inspired by the theme of the World Meeting of Families in Ireland in August, the Parish Small Group will be meeting in the Café Bar at 10.15am on Tuesdays until 4th December to reflect on **Holy Families: The Joy of Love**. For further details please visit <https://rcdow.org.uk/faith/small-groups/>.

REPOSITORY UPDATE—Work continues on the renewal of our Parish Repository. We hope to open the newly refurbished space after the **9.45am & 11.15am Masses** in the New Year. To make this possible we need some **willing volunteers** to serve the people after these Masses. If you would be willing to help please speak to one of the Parish Team or email sudbury@rcdow.org.uk.

READERS AT 8.30AM & 5.30PM MASS—We are hugely grateful to those who read at Mass. We are urgently looking for some new volunteers to help with this ministry at the 8.30am & 5.30pm Mass. If you might consider helping please let us know. The commitment would be once/month. Thank you.

FRIENDS OF JESUS - The Friends of Jesus Programme takes place on Fridays from **5.30-6.30pm** providing a little **Religious Education** to children of primary-school age who are not attending a Catholic school and have not yet received their First Holy Communion. An information leaflet is available in the porch.



Friday 14th
December 2018

Refreshments
at 6.45pm
Film begins
at 7.15 pm



The Nativity

A BBC film

"Simply a gentle, compassionate retelling of a very familiar story" - Daily Telegraph

St. George's Catholic Church, Sudbury

CHRISTMAS CELEBRATION EVENING

Saturday 8th December 2018
from 7.00pm-11.30pm
in the Parish Centre

Live Band - Dancing - Bar- Raffle - 3 Course Dinner (Asian food)
[Raffle: Many, many great prizes]

Tickets:

Adult £16.00

5-16 yrs £6.00

Children under 5 yrs: Free

Tickets available after Sunday Masses, from the Presbytery and the Parish Office

LITURGICAL CALENDAR & MASS INTENTIONS

SUNDAY MASS: 6.15pm (Saturday Vigil), 8.30am, 9.45am (Family) & 11.15am (Solemn), 5.30pm.

WEEKDAY MASS: Monday – Saturday 9.30am.

HOLYDAYS OF OBLIGATION: 9.30am, 8.00pm.

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION: Saturday 5.15-6.00pm.

CONFESSIONS: Saturday 5.15pm - 6.00pm. *and any time by appointment.*

DIVINE MERCY: Tuesday 10.30am.

ROSARY: Daily after Mass.

Sun 25 November 6.15pm (Sat. Vigil) 8.30am 9.45am 11.15am 5.30pm	CHRIST THE KING Martin McAnulty RIP Patsy Donohue RIP Margaret & Thomas Ryan RIP Percy, Nerrissa and Alcom Outschoorn RIP PRO POPULO
Mon 26 November 9.30am 11.00am	Of Requiem Michael Keogh RIP FUNERAL MASS Attilio Pittiglio RIP
Tues 27 November 9.30am	Of Requiem Lenise Bradley Christina Andrad RIP
Weds 28 November 9.30am	Of Requiem Brian Drake RIP
Thurs 29 November 9.30am	Of Requiem Betty Cunniff RIP
Fri 30 November 9.30am	S. ANDREW Sr. Alacock RIP
Sat 1 December 9.30am	Of Requiem Frank Hunt RIP (1st Ann)

TODAY'S MASS

How worthy is the Lamb who was slain, to receive power and divinity, and wisdom and strength and honour. To him belong glory and power for ever and ever.

Collect

Almighty ever-living God, whose will is to restore all things in your beloved Son, the King of the universe, grant, we pray, that the whole creation, set free from slavery, may render your majesty service and ceaselessly proclaim your praise. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

First reading: *Daniel 7:13-14*

I gazed into the visions of the night. And I saw, coming on the clouds of heaven, one like a son of man. He came to the one of great age and was led into his presence. On him was conferred sovereignty, glory and kingship, and men of all peoples, nations and languages became his servants. His sovereignty is an eternal sovereignty which shall never pass

away, nor will his empire ever be destroyed.

The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Responsorial Psalm: Ps. 92:1-2,5

R/. The Lord is king, with majesty enrobed.

1. The Lord is king, with majesty enrobed; the Lord has robed himself with might, he has girded himself with power. **R/.**
2. The world you made firm, not to be moved; your throne has stood firm from of old. From all eternity, O Lord, you are. **R/.**
3. Truly your decrees are to be trusted. Holiness is fitting to your house, O Lord, until the end of time. **R/.**

Second reading: *Apocalypse 1:5-8*

Grace and peace to you from Jesus Christ, the faithful witness, the First-born from the dead, the Ruler of the kings of the earth. He loves us and has washed away our sins with his blood, and made us a line of kings, priests to serve his God and Father; to him, then, be glory and power for ever and ever. Amen. It is he who is coming on the clouds; everyone will

see him, even those who pierced him, and all the races of the earth will mourn over him. This is the truth. Amen. 'I am the Alpha and the Omega' says the Lord God, who is, who was, and who is to come, the Almighty.

The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Gospel Acclamation: *Mk11:10*

Alleluia, alleluia!

Blessings on him who comes in the name of the Lord!

Blessings on the coming kingdom of our father David!

Alleluia!

Gospel: *John 18:33-37*

'Are you the king of the Jews?' Pilate asked. Jesus replied, 'Do you ask this of your own accord, or have others spoken to you about me?' Pilate answered, 'Am I a Jew? It is your own people and the chief priests who have handed you over to me: what have you done?' Jesus replied, 'Mine is not a kingdom of this world; if my kingdom were of this world, my men would have fought to prevent my being surrendered to the Jews. But my kingdom is not of this kind.' 'So you are a king then?' said Pilate. 'It is you who say it' answered Jesus. 'Yes, I am a king. I was born for this, I came into the world for this: to bear witness to the

truth; and all who are on the side of truth listen to my voice.'

Prayer over the Offerings

As we offer you, O Lord, the sacrifice by which the human race is reconciled to you, we humbly pray, that your Son himself may bestow on all nations the gifts of unity and peace. Through Christ our Lord.

Communion Antiphon: *Ps 28: 10-11*

The Lord sits as King for ever. The Lord will bless his people with peace.

Prayer after Communion

Having received the food of immortality, we ask, O Lord, that, glorying in obedience to the commands of Christ, the King of the universe, we may live with him eternally in his heavenly kingdom. Who lives and reigns for ever and ever.

