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# CHRIST THE UNIVERSAL KING

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## THIS WEEK

Sun 22nd Nov 9.30am	<b>CHRIST THE KING</b> People of the Parish Holy Souls
Mon 23rd Nov 9.30am	<b>S. Clement I, pope</b> Intentions of Roger & Adam Kevin Predeergast RIP
Tues 24th Nov 9.30am	<b>S. Andrew Dung Lac &amp; Comps.</b> Roger McAnulty RIP Sarah McCormack RIP
Weds 25th Nov 9.30am	<b>S. Catherine of Alexandria</b> Joel Otulakowski RIP Margaret & Thomas Ryan RIP
Thurs 27th Nov 9.30am	<b>Of Requiem</b> Denis O'Donnell RIP (2nd anniv.) Holy Souls
11.30am	<b>FUNERAL MASS</b> Conceicao Fernandes RIP
Fri 28th Nov 9.30am	<b>Of Requiem</b> Michael Griffin RIP Holy Souls
Sat 29th Nov 9.30am	<b>Of Our Lady</b> Lawrence Shanmugam RIP Holy Souls
Sun 30th Nov 9.30am	<b>FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT</b> People of the Parish

## TODAY'S MASS



In today's Gospel, Jesus describes to his disciples the scene of the judgment of the Son of Man. All the nations will be assembled before him, and he will separate them as a shepherd separates sheep and goats upon their return from the pasture. The judgments made by the Son of Man will be based upon the acts of mercy shown to the least ones the hungry, the thirsty, the naked, the ill, and the imprisoned. Indeed, Jesus, who suffered on the Cross, identifies himself with the least ones.

**First Reading: *Ezekiel 34:11-12,15-17***  
God himself will shepherd the people of Israel.

**Second Reading: *1 Corinthians 15:20-26,28***  
Because Christ has been raised from the dead, all those who have died will also be raised.

**Gospel Reading: *Matthew 25:31-46***  
Jesus teaches that when the Son of Man comes in glory, he will judge the nations, separating the sheep from the goats.

## SPIRITUAL QUOTE OF THE WEEK

*"Eighty six years I have served Him, and He has done me no wrong. How can I blaspheme my King who has saved me?"*

St Polycarp's answer when he was asked to deny Christ.

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# GOSPEL REFLECTION

## FOR YOUR PRAYERS

**SICK & HOUSEBOUND:** Catherine Kevill, Margaret O'Shea, Edith Geissler, Marie Rego, Eileen Kidd, Christopher Browne, John and Angela McCarthy, Germaine Duffner, Patrick McDonagh, Noel Gill, Tom Fernandes, Dee Auriol, Kathleen O'Brien, Allan Noronha, Nancy Quinn.

**RECENTLY DEPARTED:** Conceicao Fernades

**ANNIVERSARIES OF THE DEPARTED:** Martin McNulty (10th), Denis O'Donnell, Jim Quinn.

### WE PRAY ESPECIALLY FOR:

- ◆ Our Parish and its renewal;
- ◆ For Our Bishop Vincent;
- ◆ For our school, teachers, children and staff;
- ◆ All who are struggling at work and in business;
- ◆ All who remain housebound or in quarantine; and maybe fearful during this lockdown period;
- ◆ For all who work in healthcare; and those who bring relief and strength to those who have Covid 19
- ◆ For the terminally ill;
- ◆ For the sick and those who care for them;
- ◆ For the faithful departed.

### INTENTIONS OF POPE FRANCIS FOR NOVEMBER: Artificial Intelligence

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

### SANCTUARY LAMP In "thanksgiving"

LAMP AT THE ALTAR OF OUR LADY OF WALSINGHAM  
*Intentions of the D'Cunha Family*

So, to you  
Christians  
I repeat  
His name,  
to everyone,  
I proclaim  
Him,  
Jesus Christ  
is  
the beginning  
and the end,  
the Alpha  
and the Omega.  
He is the king  
of the new world.  
He is the  
secret  
of history.  
He is the  
key  
to our destiny.



*St. Paul VI*

St Pope Paul VI  
(1897-1978)

In today's Gospel Jesus, the King of the Universe, identifies himself with the hungry, the thirsty, the stranger, the naked, the sick and the prisoners. He calls them "one of the least of these brothers of mine". Historically the least of the brothers & sisters of Jesus has been associated with the Christian! But do you think that he came just only for them? Did not Jesus Christ come to die for you and for many? The many are those who will come to recognise him in the least, the outcast of our society.

St Mother Teresa of Calcutta, certainly understood this Gospel in this way and saw to live it literally! When she went to live and serve the poorest of the poor in the city of Calcutta. There is an anecdote around her life: One day, one of her wealthy benefactors said to Mother Teresa that he would never do what she does, even if he is offered a million US dollars a day! To which she replied neither would she, she added, "I do this because I am doing it to Jesus Christ!"

Certainly, you do not need to go to Calcutta to serve Jesus, as he said in the Gospel. In fact, both the good and the bad people of the Gospel did not know that it was Jesus who was the one to whom they were serving or rejecting. Perhaps they thought that it was their grumpy husband or wife, their ungrateful son or daughter, their sick & lazy friend, their unfair boss, or the unlucky or mad individual on the street! The reality is that neither do we know who we are helping or rejecting.

However, we do know that by his birth, death, resurrection and ascension into heaven Jesus, God the Son, has redeemed the whole world, and not only our humanity but the whole of human kind. Then it is up to recognise the dignity that God has given to each one of us, but also the dignity of those whom we come across in our daily life.

Today's Gospel sheds light not only on our destiny but as well on the things we can do at this present time of our life, which can have a big impact on our future. In one-word, it calls us to conversion! Let us ask the Lord to help us to recognise his living presence in our neighbour.

# NEWS UPDATE



**SADLY**, public Masses and all public worship have been suspended during this period of "lockdown". Be assured that the Holy Mass will be offered at St George's, day by day, for your intentions

However, **the church is open every day** for private prayer (with adoration of the Blessed Sacrament) from 10.00am-11.00am daily

Thank you to our stewards and cleaners who make this possible for us.

**SORRY** our telephone system is still in the process of change and has now not functioned **Five** weeks. The Diocese asked us to move from using BT to a new company which would be cheaper. Well, that is true as its so cheap we don't have a phone line at all!

**PLEASE SPREAD THE GOOD NEWS** that we are producing this newsletter each week. It might be just the link that some parishioners need, to help to keep them in the loop and up to date. It is available on line and in a paper version from church. Could you deliver it to a neighbour?

**DO YOU KNOW OF SOMEONE WHOM WE ARE NOT REACHING?** Maybe an elderly person who lives alone and does not have the internet? Someone who is shielding with little family support who cannot get to Mass? Someone whom we can simply call to keep in touch? Please do get in touch with us if you feel there is someone who needs support. Thank you.

**CONFIRMATION 2021** - Please keep us in your prayers as we continue to strive to plan an adjusted COVID-secure Confirmation Programme in 2021. **We hope to be in a position to provide further information by the middle of December.** Of course, any decisions will be guided by the government's new Tier System and the Diocese's response to these new measures. If you might consider supporting the Programme as a Catechist/Helper please contact our Catechetical Coordinator, Peter, or one of the Clergy for further details. Especially during these challenging times, any additional help would be v. much appreciated.

**FIRST HOLY COMMUNION** - Hopefully Tuesday's email to Parents/Carers, including this week's **Catechist Session Plan**, helped you complete this week's session with your children at home. Thank you for continuing to help your son/daughter practice making their First Reconciliation (Confession) using the **First Reconciliation Leaflet** so they begin to feel confident as they prepare to make their First Reconciliation in December. Learning the **Act of Contrition (Prayer of Sorrow)** by heart will be helpful. If you have any questions at any stage please do not hesitate to contact our Catechetical Coordinator, Peter, at [peterkingsley@rcdow.org.uk](mailto:peterkingsley@rcdow.org.uk). Thank you.

**SIX O' CLOCK PRAYERS:** Cardinal Vincent is encouraging us all to join with other Christians at 6.00pm each evening to pray for our nation, and for an end to the pandemic. Evening Prayer, the praying of the Angelus, or simply the Lord's Prayer would be a good place to begin.

**ST. LUKE'S HOSPICE "Light up a light"**. This is a campaign where people can dedicate a light in memory of someone and support St. Luke's Hospice on Sunday 29th November. For details, Tel: 02038328000 or email: [info@stlukeshospice.org](mailto:info@stlukeshospice.org)

**CHURCH LAMPS:** Both the Sanctuary Lamp and the lamp of Our Lady of Walsingham have been sent away for some minor restoration. Whilst the lamps are not in their holders they are burning in the relevant places and for the intentions given.

**BLESSING OF GRAVES** sadly this will not take place this year. Families are encouraged to go however, to pray in groups but not more than six!

**SIGNING THE CERTIFICATE OF CATHOLIC PRACTICE** for entry to schools. For Secondary & Primary School & Sixth Form College entrance for Catholics. Due to the current restrictions we re asking everyone to pick up two forms from the church (Certificate of Catholic Practice and a questionnaire). These need to be delivered to the presbytery together with a SAE (Stamped addressed Envelope). **We will NOT give out forms at the door nor will we sign forms at the door.** Please do follow the instructions in this regard so as not to be disappointed. PLEASE NOTE THAT IF YOU DO NOT INCLUDE AN S.A.E. (Stamped Addressed Envelope) WE CANNOT SEND YOUR CERTIFICATES BACK TO YOU.

**CAN YOU CONSIDER** a Standing Order to help support St George's? Forms are available in church Thank you to all who have responded thus far. Once you have filled in the relevant form please return it to the Parish Office (During these times via the Presbytery Letterbox).

**THE PARISH OFFICE** remains closed. If you wish to book a Mass and for a Mass Card, the best way to get one is to give us all the details, your offering and an SAE and we will post it back to you ASAP.

**STEWARDS:** A huge thank you to those who have volunteered to be stewards over this difficult time. Thanks to them and their commitment our church can open every day. Christmas is looming and whilst we don't know what will be allowed we are at this time presuming we will be open for Mass. BUT we will need stewards to help guide people in and clean afterwards. Christmas will be challenging and we need people on Christmas Eve and Christmas Day? Could you help? If you are helping are there adults in your family that could help with you—without the turkey being burnt?

**CHRISTMAS LUNCH:** On Christmas Day this year a group will arrange to deliver a traditional Christmas lunch to ANYONE otherwise alone in our community. If you would like to receive a meal or you know of someone who would benefit, please contact us on:

[email:Christmaslunch25@gmail.com](mailto:email:Christmaslunch25@gmail.com)

Tel: 07881400328

**SHOPPING ONLINE:** Did you know that if you shop on line with Amazon, they will donate to your

chosen charity? Amazon donates 0.5% of the net purchase price to the organisation of your choice. But you do have to make the request. **Catholic Voices** a really good charity, which supports the promotion of Catholicism, are listed among the charities. You receive the same products, same prices and the same service. Support your charitable organisation by starting your shopping at [smile.amazon.co.uk](http://smile.amazon.co.uk) and they will do the rest.

**CHRISTMAS CARDS:** Due to Covid restrictions, we are unable to hold the Christmas Card sale, this year, in the hall. However, "The Glen" convenience store, opposite the church, will stock a selection, of the packs of Religious Cards, that we would normally have sold.

**AN ACT OF SPIRITUAL COMMUNION** Cards are available at the back of the church.



St Dominic's  
Sixth Form College

## Applications for August 2021



Please visit our website to apply online  
[www.stdoms.ac.uk](http://www.stdoms.ac.uk)

**All applications must be completed by  
12 noon 31st December 2020**

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To place an order please contact Matthew on 07740 437 019

# SUNDAY READINGS & PRAYERS

## Entrance Antiphon: *Rev 5: 12; 1: 6*

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: *Ezekiel 34:11-12,15-17*

The Lord says this: I am going to look after my flock myself and keep all of it in view. As a shepherd keeps all his flock in view when he stands up in the middle of his scattered sheep, so shall I keep my sheep in view. I shall rescue them from wherever they have been scattered during the mist and darkness. I myself will pasture my sheep, I myself will show them where to rest—it is the Lord who speaks. I shall look for the lost one, bring back the stray, bandage the wounded and make the weak strong. I shall watch over the fat and healthy. I shall be a true shepherd to them.  
As for you, my sheep, the Lord says this: I will judge between sheep and sheep, between rams and he-goats.  
The word of Lord.

## Responsorial Psalm: *Ps 22:1-3,5-6*

*R/. The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want.*

1. The Lord is my shepherd;  
there is nothing I shall want.  
Fresh and green are the pastures  
where he gives me repose. *R/.*
2. Near restful waters he leads me,  
to revive my drooping spirit.  
He guides me along the right path;  
he is true to his name. *R/.*
3. You have prepared a banquet for me  
in the sight of my foes.  
My head you have anointed with oil;  
my cup is overflowing. *R/.*
4. Surely goodness and kindness shall  
follow me  
all the days of my life.  
In the Lord's own house shall I dwell  
for ever and ever. *R/.*

## Second reading: *1 Corinthians 15:20-26,28*

Christ has been raised from the dead, the first-fruits of all who have fallen asleep. Death came through one man and in the same way the resurrection of the dead has come through one man. Just as all men die in Adam, so all men will be brought to life in Christ; but all of them in their proper order: Christ as the first-fruits and then, after the coming of Christ, those who

belong to him. After that will come the end, when he hands over the kingdom to God the Father, having done away with every sovereignty, authority and power. For he must be king *until he has put all his enemies under his feet* and the last of the enemies to be destroyed is death, for everything is to be *put under his feet*. And when everything is subjected to him, then the Son himself will be subject in his turn to the One who subjected all things to him, so that God may be all in all.  
The word of Lord.

## Gospel Acclamation: *Mark 11:10*

*Allelula, allelula!*  
*Blessings on him who comes in the name of the Lord!*  
*Blessings on the coming kingdom*  
*of our father David!*  
*Allelula!*

## Gospel: *Matthew 25:31-46*

Jesus said to his disciples: 'When the Son of Man comes in his glory, escorted by all the angels, then he will take his seat on his throne of glory. All the nations will be assembled before him and he will separate men one from another as the shepherd separates sheep from goats. He will place the sheep on his right hand and the goats on his left.  
'Then the King will say to those on his right hand, "Come, you whom my Father has blessed, take for your heritage the kingdom prepared for you since the foundation of the world. For I was hungry and you gave me food; I was thirsty and you gave me drink; I was a stranger and you made me welcome; naked and you clothed me, sick and you visited me, in prison and you came to see me." Then the virtuous will say to him in reply, "Lord, when did we see you hungry and feed you; or thirsty and give you drink? When did we see you a stranger and make you welcome; naked and clothe you; sick or in prison and go to see you?" And the King will answer, "I tell you solemnly, in so far as you did this to one of the least of these brothers of mine, you did it to me."  
'Next he will say to those on his left hand, "Go away from me, with your curse upon you, to the eternal fire prepared for the devil and his angels. For I was hungry and you never gave me food; I was thirsty and you never gave me anything to drink; I was a stranger and you never made me welcome, naked and you never clothed me, sick and in prison and you never visited me." Then it will be their turn to ask, "Lord, when did we see you hungry or thirsty, a stranger or naked, sick or in prison, and did not come to your help?" Then he will answer, "I tell you solemnly, in so far as you neglected to do this to one of the least of these, you neglected to do it to me."  
'And they will go away to eternal punishment, and the virtuous to eternal life.'

## 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.