

## 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: *2 Samuel 5:1-3*

All the tribes of Israel came to David at Hebron. Look they said we are your own flesh and blood. In days past when Saul was our king, it was you who led Israel in all their exploits; and the Lord said to you, You are the man who shall be shepherd of my people Israel, you shall be the leader of Israel. So all the elders of Israel came to the king at Hebron, and King David made a pact with them at Hebron in the presence of the Lord, and they anointed David king of Israel.

### Responsorial Psalm: *Psalms 97*

*R/. I rejoiced when I heard them say: "Let us go to God's house."*

1. I rejoiced when I heard them say:  
"Let us go to God's house."

And now our feet are standing  
within your gates, O Jerusalem. *R/.*

2. Jerusalem is built as a city  
strongly compact.

It is there that the tribes go up,  
the tribes of the Lord. *R/.*

3. For Israel's law it is,  
there to praise the Lord's name.  
There were set the thrones of judgment  
of the house of David. *R/.*

### Second Reading: *Colossians 1:11-20*

We give thanks to the Father who has made it possible for you to join the saints and with them to inherit the light. Because that is what he has done: he has taken us out of the power of darkness and created a place for us in the kingdom of the Son that he loves, and in him, we gain our freedom, the forgiveness of our sins. He is the image of the unseen God and the first-born of all creation, for in him were created all things in heaven and on earth: everything visible and everything invisible, thrones, Dominations, Sovereignities, powers—all things were created through him and for

him. Before anything was created, he existed, and he holds all things in unity.

Now the Church is his body, he is its head. As he is the Beginning, he was first to be born from the dead, so that he should be first in every way; because God wanted all perfection to be found in him and all things to be reconciled through him and for him, everything in heaven and everything on earth, when he made peace by his death on the cross.

### Gospel Acclamation

*Alleluia, alleluia!*

*Blessings on him who comes in the name of the Lord!  
Blessings on the coming Kingdom of our Father David!  
Alleluia!*

### Gospel: *Luke 23:35-43*

The people stayed there before the cross watching Jesus. As for the leaders, they jeered at him. 'He saved others,' they said, 'let him save himself if he is the Christ of God, the Chosen One.' The soldiers mocked him too, and when they approached to offer him vinegar they said, 'If you are the king of the Jews, save yourself.' Above him there was an inscription: 'This is the King of the Jews.'

One of the criminals hanging there abused him. 'Are you not the Christ?' he said. 'Save yourself and us as well.' But the other spoke up and rebuked him. 'Have you no fear of God at all?' he said. 'You got the same sentence as he did, but in our case we deserved it: we are paying for what we did. But this man has done nothing wrong. Jesus,' he said, 'remember me when you come into your kingdom.' 'Indeed, I promise you,' he replied, 'today you will be with me in paradise.'

### 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 *Psalms 29 (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.



## ST. GEORGE'S CATHOLIC CHURCH, SUBBURY

Sunday 20th November 2022

## CHRIST THE UNIVERSAL KING

Welcome to all at mass today and especially anyone who is new. Please take this Newsletter home with you. You may wish to share it with family and friends. This newsletter can also be found via our website. We ask God's blessing on you and your loved ones this week and know that we pray for you all each day.

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Year 2

Divine Office  
Week 2

For children,  
download a weekly sheet:  
<http://www.sdc.me.uk/sundayliturgy/>

## THIS WEEK

Sun 20 Nov 6.15pm 8.30am 9.45am 11.15am 5.30pm	<b>CHRIST THE UNIVERSAL KING</b> Ann Bradley Cassidy THE PEOPLE OF THE PARISH Reg & Thom Ryan RIP Edward Johnston Snr RIP Hector Fabron RIP
Mon 21 Nov 9.30am	<b>The Presentation of Our Lady</b> Deceased relatives and friends of the Barco Family
Tues 22 Nov 9.30am	<b>S. Cecilia</b> For the conversion of sinners
Weds 23 Nov 9.30am	<b>S. Clement</b> Gervasio & Protasio Pereira (Thansgiving & Birthday ints.)
Thurs 24 Nov 9.30am	<b>S. Andrew Dung-Lac &amp; Companions</b> Martin McAnulty RIP
Fri 25 Nov 9.30am	<b>S. Catherine of Alexandria</b> Denis O'Donnell RIP
Sat 26 Nov 9.30am	<b>Of Requiem</b> Andre Truymen RIP
Sun 27 Nov 6.15pm 8.30am 9.45am 11.15am 5.30pm	<b>FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT</b> Isobel Scannell RIP & Ints. of Janet Scannell Tom Fernandes RIP Thomas Fernandes RIP Edward Golman RIP THE PEOPLE OF THE PARISH



## TODAY'S MASS

Today as a Church, we conclude our liturgical year and celebrate the Feast of Christ the King. The Gospel we proclaim shows the great mystery of our faith: In the moment of his crucifixion, Jesus is shown to be King and Saviour of all. Jesus is King, but not the kind of king we might have imagined or expected. His kingship was hidden from many of his contemporaries, but those who had the eyes of faith were able to see. As modern disciples of Jesus, we, too, struggle at times to recognize Jesus as King. Today's Gospel invites us to make our own judgment. With eyes of faith, we, too, recognize that Jesus, the crucified One, is indeed King and Saviour of all.

First Reading: *2 Samuel 5:1-3*  
David is anointed king.

Responsorial Psalm: *Psalms 122:1-2,3-4,4-5*  
Enter the house of the Lord rejoicing.

Second Reading: *Colossians 1:12-20*  
A hymn to Jesus as the first-born of all creation.

Gospel Reading: *Luke 23:35-43*  
Jesus is crucified under the title King of the Jews.

## SPIRITUAL QUOTE OF THE WEEK

*"If we wish to have Christ as our king we must be consistent. We must start by giving him our heart."*  
St. Josemaria Escriva

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## GOSPEL REFLECTION

### DAILY MASS TIMES

**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:** Friday 9.00-9.30am, 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.

### FOR YOUR PRAYERS

**SICK & HOUSEBOUND:** Marie Rego, Eileen Kidd, Christopher Browne, Noel Gill, Dee Auriol, Allan Noronha, Fiona Power, SMR, Aaran Thayaparan, Jocalyn Almeida, John Rowland Watts, Catherine Corcoran, Shaun Scoon and Helen Jordan, Sean Marren, Gerald Doody, George Beel

**RECENTLY BAPTISED:** Natalia Maria Huczko, Bobby Edward Raybould

**RECENTLY DEPARTED:** John Walsh, Isabel Scannel, Neville Smith.

**ANNIVERSARIES OF THE DEPARTED:** Edward Johnston Snr., Martin McNulty, Denis O'Donnell

#### BLESSED SACRAMENT LAMP

Brenda Jules Carbon (Birthday Intentions)

#### LAMP AT THE ALTAR OF OUR LADY OF WALSINGHAM

Martha Pierre (Birthday Intentions)

#### POPE FRANCIS' INTENTIONS FOR NOVEMBER

##### Children Who Suffer

We pray for children who are suffering, especially those who are homeless, orphans, and victims of war; may they be guaranteed access to education and the opportunity to experience family affection.

I WOULD RATHER  
STAND WITH  
GOD  
AND BE JUDGED BY THE WORLD  
THAN STAND WITH THE  
WORLD  
AND BE JUDGED BY GOD.

What is the significance and meaning of Jesus' kingship for us? Kingship today seems outdated and useless, especially in democratic societies where everyone is supposed to be treated equal and free. Many rulers in past ages claimed they had sovereign authority to rule by divine edict. But God did not give his people Israel a king at first. Why? Because God alone was their King and they needed no other. Nonetheless, God relented and chose David as King over Israel with the promise that God would raise up through David's royal line a Saviour who would establish an everlasting kingdom of righteousness and peace that would endure for all ages.

The Jews understood that the Messiah ("Anointed One") would come as God's anointed King to restore paradise and establish God's reign of peace for them. They wanted a Messianic King who would free them from strife and division and from foreign oppression. Many had high hopes that Jesus would be the Messiah and Ruler for Israel. Little did they understand what kind of kingship Jesus claimed to possess.

As Jesus was crucified on the cross alongside two criminals who were thieves, one mocked him for his claim to divine kingship. But the other thief recognized through the eyes of faith that Jesus was truly God's Anointed King and Saviour. He petitioned Jesus to treat his poor soul with mercy and pardon, "Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom" (Luke 23:42). Jesus not only granted him forgiveness, but a place with him in his everlasting kingdom. "Truly, I say to you, today you will be with me in Paradise."

Jesus died not only as King of the Jews, but as King of all nations and Lord of the universe. His victory over the power of sin, Satan, and the world was accomplished through his atoning death on the cross and his resurrection on the third day. 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. That is why the Father exalted his Son and raised him in glory over the heavens and the earth. In the Book of Revelation Jesus is called *King of kings and Lord and lords*. He now sits in glory at the right hand of the Father in heaven - and from his throne he rules as Lord over all

Do you recognize Jesus Christ as your Sovereign King and Redeemer?



## NEWS UPDATE

**WELCOME** to all at Mass today and a big welcome back if you have not been to Mass for a while due to the Covid restrictions.

**NEXT SUNDAY** is the ADVENT SUNDAY. In the Church, Advent is a period of preparation, extending over four Sundays, before the great celebration of the birth of Christ at Christmas. The word Advent comes from the Latin *advento*, "to arrive." This refers, first of all, to our celebration of Christ's birth at Christmas; second, to the coming of Christ in our lives, through grace and the Sacrament of Holy Communion; and finally, to his Second Coming at the end of time. Our preparations, therefore, should have all three comings in mind - to receive Christ worthily.

**WESTMINSTER CATHEDRAL** The annual Christmas Celebration concerts at Westminster Cathedral will take place this year on Tuesday 20th and Wednesday 21st December. For tickets, visit [www.westminstercathedral.org.uk](http://www.westminstercathedral.org.uk).

**FUNERAL MASS of John Walsh** on Tuesday 29th November at 10.30am followed by burial at Carpenders park. May he rest in peace.

**MENS BREAKFAST THIS SATURDAY (26TH Nov)** from 9.00am in the café/Bar in the parish centre. Just turn up. Men - Fathers & sons all welcome. See you there!

**CHRISTMAS CARDS and CHURCH ART CALENDARS** have arrived and can be purchased from the Repository after all Masses from this weekend.

**CATHOLIC EVENTS FOR YOUNG ADULTS** - If you're a young adult at the Parish, why not sign-up to the Westminster Youth Ministry Newsletter, with lots of information about Catholic youth events in the Diocese? Visit <https://dowym.com/>.

**SERVING TEAS & COFFEES AFTER 11.15AM MASS** - Might you consider joining the hospitality team, providing refreshments to parishioners after the 11.15am Solemn Mass. The commitment is usually once every six weeks. Your help would be hugely appreciated. For further details please contact Julie Kidd at [juliekidd21@gmail.com](mailto:juliekidd21@gmail.com) or 07918 130798.

**A CHRISTMAS FAIR** is now planned for Sunday 11th December in the morning in the Parish Centre. Please take a flyer if you have not received one and EVERYONE do think how you yourself (or you family together) can help. You can sign this week up to do a stall on the board at the back of church. Thank you to so many of you who have volunteered already. All the funds raised will be going to buy a defibrillator for the parish (2 if we raise enough - one for the church, the other for the hall).

**FIRST HOLY COMMUNION** - At Session 7, next Tuesday 22nd November, the children will be continuing to practice making their First Reconciliation. Thank you for arriving promptly for the start of the session at 7pm. Please also feel free to practice at home, using the purple leaflet provided, so the children can feel confident as they prepare to make their First Confession.

**CONFIRMATION 2023** - Those in Year 10 & above who would like to be confirmed at the Parish are asked to please attend the **Confirmation Information Evening** with a Parent/Carer in the Parish Centre on **Monday 9th January at 7.30pm** when registration documents will be provided. Please note that a copy of one's baptism certificate is also required for registration.

**CHILDREN'S NATIVITY ON CHRISTMAS EVE** - We are de-

lighted to announce that the Children's Nativity will be taking place, once again this year, at the Christmas Eve Vigil Mass. Children are required to attend two rehearsals from 2.00-3.00pm on Wednesday 21st December and Friday 23rd December. To register your child's interest please contact Bushra at 07843 053 076 / [bushrakho-sla@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:bushrakho-sla@yahoo.co.uk).

**THE PSA FROM ST. GEORGES SCHOOL** will be selling raffle tickets for the Christmas fair at all of the masses on the following weekends - 19th/20th Nov and 26th/27th Nov. Please bring cash!

**THE WINTERSHALL NATIVITY JOURNEY** - The Parish is considering taking a group to enjoy the Wintershall production of The Nativity Journey in December. Details and ticket prices can be found at [www.wintershall.org.uk](http://www.wintershall.org.uk). For further information and to register your interest, please contact Stephen Dunn at [stephen.w.dunn@gmail.com](mailto:stephen.w.dunn@gmail.com) or 07802 223018.

**ST VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY (SVP)** - If you are feeling isolated and would like a home visit or a chat with a friendly person over the phone please get in touch. If you are struggling financially or would like other practical assistance please do not hesitate to contact us. If you are over 18 and are interested in becoming a member of the SVP you would be very welcome, just call the number below or drop in to our next meeting. Tel. 0775 3654154 (Theresa). Email. [frain.home@gmail.com](mailto:frain.home@gmail.com)

**MORE EVENTS FOR YOUNG ADULTS** - There is a **Talzé Prayer at Notre Dame de France** on the last Saturday of every month at 7.30pm. For further details please see the poster in the porch. To sign-up to the Westminster Youth Ministry Newsletter, with lots more information about youth events in the Diocese, please visit <https://dowym.com/>.

**MIGHT YOU HELP WITH THIS YEAR'S CHILDREN'S NATIVITY?** - A huge 'thank you' to Bushra Khosla who is, once again, generously offering to take care of the Children's Nativity at the Christmas Vigil Mass at the Parish this year. We would be grateful for one or two volunteers to help support Bushra. Perhaps you are a Young Adult who might like to help? If you might consider helping with the Children's Nativity this year, please contact Bushra at 07843 053 076 / [bushrakho-sla@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:bushrakho-sla@yahoo.co.uk)

**CALLING NEW CONFIRMATION CATECHISTS** - Might you consider a new ministry at the Parish helping our young people prepare for their Confirmation in 2023? If you might consider helping, please contact our Catechetical Coordinator, Mr. Peter Kingsley, at [peterkingsley@rcdow.org.uk](mailto:peterkingsley@rcdow.org.uk) for further information.

**FRIENDS OF JESUS** - If your child is in Year 5 or above, and has therefore missed the opportunity to be on our regular First Holy Communion Programme, they can still join our Friends of Jesus Programme offering older children the opportunity to still prepare for Confession (Reconciliation) & Holy Communion. For further details please contact our Catechetical Coordinator, Mr. Peter Kingsley, at [peterkingsley@rcdow.org.uk](mailto:peterkingsley@rcdow.org.uk).

**READING AT 5.30PM MASS** - Might you consider reading at the Sunday Evening Mass? This ministry offers the opportunity to reflect a little more attentively on the Word of God whilst also serving the community at Mass. The commitment is just once a month. There are some gaps in our regular rota that we remain keen to fill. If you might consider helping, please contact our Catechetical Coordinator, Peter, at [peterkingsley@rcdow.org.uk](mailto:peterkingsley@rcdow.org.uk).

[ley@rcdow.org.uk](mailto:ley@rcdow.org.uk), for further information or speak to any of the Parish Team. Thank you.

**DO YOU HAVE OLD READING GLASSES/SPECTACLES?** We never know quite what to do with the them but they can be reused and redistributed to people who can't afford them or who have no access to them. We'll have a box at the back of church to collect any of these. Thanks in advance and thanks to so many of you who have donated already.

**ROSARY AT HOME** - If you would be interested in becoming part of the 'Rosary at Home' initiative, where a statue of Our Lady of Fatima is brought to your home for a period as you say the Rosary each day, please fill-in your details on the clipboard in the church porch.

**THE OVER 60's CLUB** 1.00pm every Tuesday in the café/Bar. LOOKING FORWARD TO SEEING YOU—just turn up as everyone is welcome!

**THE PARISH OFFICE** is open Thursdays & Fridays and from 10.30am until 3.00pm

**SPONSORING THE BLESSED SACRAMENT LAMP & THE LAMP AT OUR LADY OF WALSINGHAM** is a lovely thing to do for a departed loved one or a particular intention. There are some possibilities in the coming months. Please contact the office.

**CHURCH CLEANING:** - Church cleaning takes place on Mondays after the 9.30am Mass. All are welcome! Thank you for all who are already helping out.

**JOB OPPORTUNITIES ACROSS THE DIOCESE:** for details go to: <https://jobs.rcdow.org.uk/>

**SIGNING FORMS ETC.** Please *always* make an appointment if you want school forms, passport forms, pension forms countersigned/witnessed by the clergy. The same if you want one of the clergy to act as a referee. Please don't just turn up at the door expecting it to be done immediately. Please also know if you want an English passport witnessed or naturalisation form we must have known you for a minimum of 3 years.

**PRIMARY SCHOOL FORM SIGNING (In Parish Centre)** PRIMARY SCHOOL Friday 9 December 6.30-8.30pm Please do not ask for forms to be signed outside these times

**DIOCESAN AND SCHOOL VACANCIES** please see folder in porch or School/diocesan website.

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

**FLOWERS IN CHURCH**—If you'd like to make a contribution, especially in memory of a loved one there are envelopes at the back of church

**Finally—OUR NEWSLETTER** Next Sunday we begin a new church year. So time for a review. What do you think of our newsletter? What other things might you welcome to be included (or taken out). Before the period of Covid we had a smaller double page newsletter but we changed to the present format as it was easier to download and print off for those at home. Do you appreciate the newsletter? (some you take several and give them to friends and neighbours and some of you take one and just leave it behind in the pew—for someone else to clear up too!). Give us some feedback, should you so wish. Many thanks!