

NEWS AND VIEWS

Christmas Decorations: Thanks to all who always respond to this call. Please we want to put up the church decorations on the 1st of December, any helping hands are welcomed. Please contact the parish office to leave your names and number for further correspondence.

Parish Community Christmas Carol Singalong comes up on Friday 3rd December at 6.30pm. Please come with friends and family. Our Duo (Iwona & Jasmine) are preparing very hard and needs to be appreciated, there will be congregational carols too. We will share some light refreshments on our way out at the end. The Carol raffle tickets for excellent prizes are now on sale @ £1 for 5 strips, after Masses or ask in the parish office.

Parish Volunteers' Thanksgiving Mass comes up on Monday 13th at 7pm. All who serve our parish community in any capacity are to attend.

First Holy Communion 2021/2022 diary dates: Nov. 28th, Dec. 5th, 19th, Jan. 9th at 10.15am. Please enter through the parish car park.

Christmas Food Donations for the Needy: Please think of the less privileged in our community as you do your Christmas shopping. We need tins, confectioneries, biscuits, beverages, toiletries etc. Items could be dropped with the Parish Office. Thank you.

Calling On All Young-Adult Catholics If you are between the ages of 18-45, join us at 7:00 pm in the St Gabriel's meeting room. Every Tuesday there will be the chance to meet other young Catholics, pray together and grow in our faith. There will

be refreshments available. If you would like to know more, contact John and Alessandra Knight on john.knight@rcm.ac.uk or on 07512781274 .

Future Matters is a free service for Islington residents. It offers one-to-one support to help ensure you are covered for both your health and financial decisions in the future avoiding unnecessary costs longer term. It can help you (as required) to setup (i) Lasting Powers of Attorney (ii) adding your information to the NHS Electronic Urgent Care Record for emergency services e.g ambulance services, A&E, out of hours GP and district nurses and (iii) organising other Advance Care Plan(s). It also offers advice as required on a wide range of items including Wills, Prepaid Funeral Plans etc. For future information refer to: <https://www.ageuk.org.uk/islington/our-services/future-matters-service/> Alternatively, you can contact **Maria Piroli who is a parishioner with over 7 years' experience as a Future Matters volunteer.** Contact Maria: via Email: projects@gentledusk.org.uk or Mobile: 07986 63770

Contactless Giving: The card/contactless giving is available to help make our offertory collection safer. It will not replace the other means of giving but is considered a safer alternative. Please find the unit by the left as you exit the Church. Thank you.

Christian Stewardship: (14th November 2021)

Envelopes: £185. **Loose:** £434.75. **Contactless:** £118.99. We also receive £500 weekly from standing orders. Thank you for our continuous support of our parish.

November Diary

Weekend of 27th/28th: **Beginning of Advent (Blessing of Advent Wreath & Candles)**

December Diary

Friday 3rd 12noon: **First Friday Healing Mass, Holy Hour and Benediction**
6.30pm: **Parish Community Christmas Carol & Raffle draw.**

Friday 10th 8pm: **Festive parish zoom quiz**

Monday 13th 7pm: **Parish Volunteer's Thanksgiving Mass.**

Tuesday 21st 7pm: **Christmas Penitential Service and Confessions. Guest priests will be available.**

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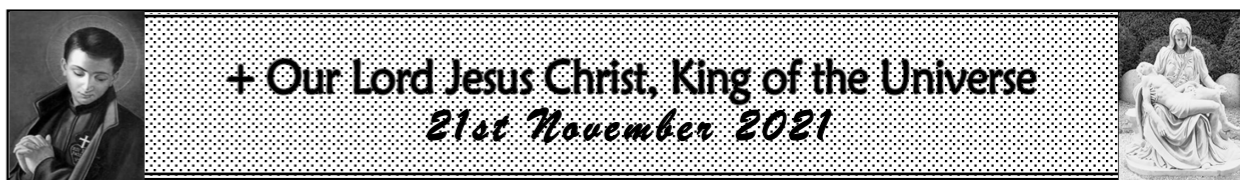
We wish those who celebrate their birthdays and anniversaries during this week a happy celebration

A man realized he needed to purchase a hearing aid, but did not want to spend a lot of money. "How much do they cost?" he asked the salesman. "Anything from \$2 to \$2,000." "Can I see the \$2 model?" said the customer. The salesman put the device around the man's neck, and said: "You just stick this button in your ear and run this little string down into your pocket." "How does it work?" asked the customer. "For \$2, it doesn't work," said the salesman. "But when people see it on you, they'll talk louder."



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We welcome all to today's Mass, especially visitors who are celebrating with us for the first time. Please take this bulletin home with you for further reflection on this week's celebration and to follow the activities in the Parish during the week.

REFLECTIONS ON THE GOSPEL

The solemnity of Christ the King marks the definitive end of the church's ordinary time, and of course, the entire liturgical calendar year B. Today, we acknowledge and adore Christ as the King of kings, the Lord of lords, and the beginning and the end. This feast was instituted by Pope Pius XI in 1925 in response to growing nationalism and secularism. It was also instituted in order to promote the worship of Christ both in the privacy of our hearts, as well as publicly. The title of the feast was "Jesu Christi Regis" (Jesus Christ the King). In his "motu proprio Mysterii Paschalis" of 1969, Pope Paul VI gave the celebration a new title: "Jesu Christi universorum Regis" (Jesus Christ, King of the Universe). He also moved the celebration to the last Sunday in the liturgical calendar and transformed it from a feast to a "Solemnity." The Jews ignorantly castigated and crucified Christ their King in today's gospel following the approval of Pilate. They did not accept the truth that Christ preached about His kingdom. Rather, they hardened their hearts, thinking that everything ends here on earth. Like Pilate and his collaborators, some of us are deceived by what we see in this world. That is, by believing that everything ends here on earth. However, the truth is that the kingdom of this world will pass away, but the kingdom of Christ will last forever. One of the most important goals of today's celebration is to acknowledge and worship Christ as *the king of the universe*. We must allow Him to reign in our lives. If He reigns in every heart, our families, society and our entire world would be a better place. So, today's celebration challenges us to ask ourselves this very important question: "Is Christ reigning in my life?" Today's celebration would be of no use, if we have not given Christ the chance to reign in our lives, in our families, businesses, and in our entire world. Also, today's celebration calls us to seek Christ the king to be our role model. He should be a model to all kings, rulers, and leaders. He cares, loves and lives in peace with his people. He does not rule with military might, or financial strength. Instead, he is a good Shepherd. As the King of Kings, Christ is a just judge, a compassionate and merciful king. He is a king who treats his subjects as brothers and friends with love and compassion.

Mass Times & Intentions 21 – 27 November 2021

Sat 20th Vigil Mass 6:30pm: Anthony Walsh, Alan Mullee, Joe Kirby (RIP)

Sun 21st 9:00am: Richard Tayler, Kitty Waldron (posthumous 100th birthday), Mary Slattery, John Kane (RIP), Louise Lewis, Andreas Panayiotou (6th) (ANN), Fr Ugo, Dec-Arn Sewell, Ikwuka family (INT)

11:30am: Carol Tyler, Peter McCabe, Cyril Carrig, Kitty Waldron (posthumous 100th birthday), Fr Andreas, Bridget Walsh (RIP), Una McGinty, Nellie Spencer (ANN), Fr Ugo, Puro Ram, KC Maduako, Mullee Family Thanksgiving for Priests & Parishioners of St Gabriels' (INT)

6:30pm: Kitty Waldron (RIP), P. E Christopher (21st) (ANN), Philip & Tunu, Ekanem & Uche, Amy & Larry, Udoh family, Essien-Oku Family, Fr Ugo (INT)

Mon 22nd St Cecilia 12 noon: Neville Taylor, Noella McDonald, Rose O'Sullivan (RIP), Fr Ugo Ikwuka, Jeremy Platten (INT)

Tue 23rd St Clement I 12 noon: *Funeral For Giuseppe Zanre*

Wed 24th St Andrew Dũng-Lạc 12 noon: Holy Souls, Alan Mullee (RIP), Hugh Munro, Christopher, Margaret & Dora Conway (ANN), Mullee family, Pauline Mullee, Brennan family (INT)

Thur 25th St Catherine of Alexandria 12 noon: Pietro Piroli, Carlo Avanzi (RIP), David Wales, Andreas Panayiotou (6th), Rose McGrath (6th) (ANN), Russell family, Anoja Fernando (INT)

Fri 26th 12 noon: Tony Derrig, Mick & Willie, Alan Mullee, Rose McGrath

Sat 27th 12 noon: Patrick Christopher (2yrs) (ANN)

Please Pray For:

Rebecca Campbell, Babs Kavanagh, Ella Humphreys, Rita Avanzi, Nancy Olaiya, Jarlet Fallon, Nora Hoare, Ann Larkin, Mary Wallace, Christopher Jerome, John Bruno, Theresa Reilly, Mary Slow, Isabella King, Derek Gomes, Mary Burton, Cornelia Henshaw, Rebecca Ononogbo, Frank Gibbons, Maria Kuozwatski, Philip Mayne, Giovanna Spittle, Bridget Munnelly, Brian Coleman, Shiela Farrell, Augustina Okelue, Mary Theresa Madigan, Maria Cecile Perine, Christopher Nelson, Paddy Essang, Padra Williams, Phillip Duggase, Terry Earley, Elizabeth Earley, Caroline de Vasconcellos, Mary Mullarkey, Mary O'Connell, Bernadette Ikwuka, Margaret Togher, Geraldine McKeaney, Mary Dunne, Lina Piroli, Pilar, Christy & Maria Christopher, Lourdes Sisneros, Angela Fairbank, Emmanuel & Magdalene Debonne, Douglas Meyers, Sylvia Traynor, Danielle, Lilian Montague, Fr Kevin, Frances Quinn, Tony Colbert, Kathleen Panayiotou, Fr. Aodh, Maureen Walsh, Gabby Mehmet, Freda Glackin, Maureen Currie, Joan McGonigal

Parish is served by the Holy Ghost Fathers (Spiritans) Congregation of the Holy Spirit

Parish Priests: Fr. David Atuanya CSSp, Fr. Benedict Baka CSSp, Fr. Oliver Ugwu CSSp

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Pastorals/Devotions: Confessions Sat 11am, 6pm, Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament/Meditative Rosary: Sun. 10.30am

Healing Mass/Holy Hour/Benediction: First Fridays (New time) 12noon **Legion of Mary:** First Wed. 6.30pm **Monday Prayer Group:** 1st & 3rd Mon. 6.30pm

Mission Statement: To animate a loving multicultural Christian community

Gentle reminders: Please turn off your mobile phones. You have the right to remain silent ...

TODAY'S READINGS

Entrance Antiphon

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.

Opening Prayer

Almighty ever-living God, whose will is to restore 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.

Responsorial Psalm (Ps 92)

R. The Lord is king, with majesty enrobed.

The Lord is king, with majesty enrobed; the Lord has robed himself with might, he has girded himself with power.

The world you made firm, not to be moved; your throne has stood firm from of old. From all eternity, O Lord, you are.

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
Jesus Christ is 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.

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 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 gifts

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

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.

Mass

Sat. 6.30pm
Sun. 9.00am
Sun. 11.30am
Sun. 6.30pm

Readers

Bridget O'Dea
Ann Waldron
Mark Renner
Tracey Mullett

Stewards

Joan Fitzgerald/Bernie Shevlin/Jeanette Fayers
Essien E-Oku/ Gabriel E-Oku
Bernie Shevlin / Ignatius Etukudoh
Joseph Ogbonna

The Prayer Of the Synod: Adsumus Sancte Spiritus

Attributed to St. Isidore of Seville (560-636), it has been traditionally used at Councils and Synods for hundreds of years. The version below was specifically designed for the Church's Synodal journey from 2021 to 2023.

We stand before You, Holy Spirit, as we gather together in Your name.

With You alone to guide us, make Yourself at home in our hearts;

Teach us the way we must go and how we are to pursue it.

We are weak and sinful; do not let us promote disorder.

Do not let ignorance lead us down the wrong path nor partiality influence our actions.

Let us find in You our unity so that we may journey together to eternal life and not stray from the way of truth and what is right. All this we ask of You, who are at work in every place and time, in the communion of the Father and the Son, forever and ever.

Amen.

THE GLORIA

Glory to God in the highest,
and on earth peace to people of good will.

We praise You,
We bless You,
We adore you,
We glorify You,

We give You thanks for Your great glory.
Lord God, heavenly King, O God, the almighty Father.

Lord Jesus Christ, the Only-begotten Son.
Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,

you take away the sins of the world,
have mercy on us; You take away the sins of the world,
receive our prayer.

You are seated at the right hand of the Father,
have mercy on us.

For you alone are the Holy One,
You alone are the Lord.

You alone are the Most High. Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit,
in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

THE APOSTLES' CREED

I believe in God,
the Father Almighty,
Creator of heaven and earth,
and in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died and was buried;
He descended into hell;
on the third day He rose again from the dead;
He ascended into heaven,
and is seated at the right hand of God the Father Almighty;
from there He will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the Holy Catholic Church,
the communion of Saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and life everlasting. Amen.

Key Notes:

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- Minors **MUST not** go to the toilets, rooms, or outside the church during services unaccompanied.
- There **MUST be** at least 2 adults present at any ministry to minors e.g. Children's Liturgy, Catechism and Youth Club.
- Vulnerable people **MUST be** accompanied in the Church.

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