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Parish of Saint Anthony of Padua

Our Parish Newsletter

26th November 2023



God is love: he who dwells in love dwells in God, and God in him. In Jesus Christ we see how God loves us.
A warm welcome to everyone from
Fr. Maximillian McKeown, OFM Conv, Parish Priest
Rev. Simon South, Deacon

Times of Mass This Week

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| 26 Nov. Sunday | Christ the King | 8:00 AM |
| 26 Nov. Sunday | | 10:45 AM |
| 27 Nov. Monday | | 9:00 AM |
| 28 Nov. Tuesday | | 9:00 AM |
| 29 Nov. Wed | | 9.00 AM |
| 30 Nov. Thurs | Saint Andrew Apostle | 9.00 A.M |
| 01 Dec. Friday | | 9:00 AM |
| 02 Dec. Saturday | | 9:00 AM |
| 02 Dec. Saturday | (SUNDAY VIGIL) | 6.00 P.M |



Thank you for your generous donations last week, towards to running of our Parish .



PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR DECEASED, ESPECIALLY, Ron Peters, Guy Horton, Mary Byrne, Catherine Bowles, Richard Carey, John Kilroy, Ann Hamilton, Marcella Duckworth, Penny Setterfield, Dominique Chapious, Roy Godwin, Dorothy and Peter Van Heuven. Patricia Swain, Veronica Pragnell, Elsie Palmer, Peter McKenzie-Smith, Tom Healey, John Russell, Timothy O'Sullivan, Tim Hodge and members of our parish, families, friends, and acquaintances.

PLEASE ALSO PRAY FOR THE FOLLOWING MEMBERS OF OUR PARISH FAMILY: Sheila Miller, Audrey Hatter, Kathleen Sherwood, Monica Flint, Richard Horner, Coleen, Louis Carnell, Isabella Rose, Judith (Angela's sister), Sr Loretta Dooley and all those confined to their homes or care homes along with Mass intentions this week.

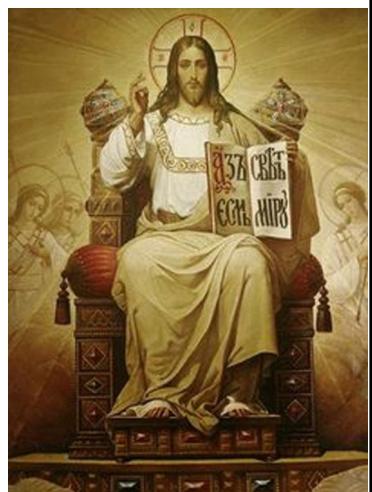
Christ Our King.

As we come to the end of 2023, we can see a world that is just as in need of Christ as it's Sovereign and leader as it ever has done.

The celebration of Christ the King was only introduced formally into the Church calendar as a Solemnity in 1925 by Pope Pius XI. Partly in response to the atrocities of the first World War and the ongoing political strife that was ongoing. Something we see globally to this day with the greed, aggression, nationalism and the squeezing of the poor for the benefit of the wealthy.

Jesus came to humanity as the ultimate sign of God's love for all mankind, to show us the path to our salvation through working together for the benefit of all, reaching out to those on the fringes of society and the poor and treating everyone with the dignity that is due to all God's children. All reasons why the Temple authorities rejected Him as the Messiah.

The Gospels are a glorious message of hope and of liberation for us all. They remind us repeatedly not to put our trust and hope in the worldly (Mt 6:19) nor in man's philosophy (Ps 118:8) but to look to God , to see God, by seeing the Son and placing our trust and hope in the liberation from sin and earthliness that comes from Jesus Christ—our King, our teacher, our brother and our friend.



Just a thought

A quote from Pope Francis' encyclical *Fratelli Tutti*

"We need to develop the awareness that nowadays we are either all saved together or no one is saved. Poverty, decadence and suffering in one part of the earth are a silent breeding ground for problems that will end up affecting the entire planet." (no137)



Going to Confession.

Getting a GP appointment can be a huge challenge to heal our bodies but arranging to go to Confession to heal our souls is always available. Confessions are heard Saturdays 5.00p.m.—5.30p.m. or by appointment—call the Friary on 01797 222173.

A prayer for Peace in our world

Lord Jesus Christ, You are the true King of peace.
In You alone is found freedom.
Please free our world from conflict.
Bring unity to troubled nations.
Let Your glorious peace reign in every heart.
Dispel all darkness and evil.
Protect the dignity of every human life.
Replace hatred with Your love.
Give wisdom to world leaders.
Free them from selfish ambition.
Eliminate all violence and war.
Glorious Virgin Mary,
Saint Michael the Archangel,
Every angel and saint:
Please pray for peace. Pray for unity amongst nations.
Pray for unity amongst all people. Pray for the most vulnerable.
Pray for those suffering. Pray for the fearful.
Pray for those most in need. Pray for us all.
Jesus, Son of the Living God, have mercy on us.
Jesus our hope and salvation, hear our prayers.

Amen.



Planning for Christmas

- ◆ Christmas Eve is a Sunday. Sunday Mass will be as usual 8.00a.m. and 10.45a.m.
- ◆ Christmas Vigil Mass will be at 6.00p.m. on Christmas Eve (THERE IS NO MIDNIGHT MASS THIS YEAR)
- ◆ Christmas Day Mass will be at 10.00a.m.



Our weekly Scripture Group will be meeting this Monday at The Rye Hub at 3.30p.m. till 5.00p.m. All are welcome to explore and to build their relationship with the Lord through the living Word of God.