

Parish of Christ the King



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MASSES AND INTENTIONS

21st to 29th October 2023

Sat 21st October

10am – 12:30pm: Kerala Community Service

6pm Mass: *William Orr (RIP)*

Peace in our broken world (Int)

Sun 22nd Oct 29th Sunday in Ordinary Time

11am Mass: *Mia and Joe Reynolds (RIP)*

2pm - 5pm Kerala Bishop Lead Mass

Latin Mass: (21st Sunday after Pentecost)

8:30am: *Private intention*

Tue 24th October

No Mass

Wed 25th October

10am Mass: *Josie Butcher (RIP)*

Paul Theobald RIP

Thu 26th October

10am Mass: *Blake Lyndon Bunting-Gray (RIP)*

Friday 27th October

11am Adoration

7pm Mass: *Father Richard Induction*

John Orr (RIP)

Sat 28th October Saints Simon and Jude

6pm Mass: *Blake Lyndon Bunting-Gray (RIP)*

Patrick Fitzgerald RIP

Sun 29th Oct 30th Sunday in Ordinary Time

11am Mass: *Lucia Russoniello (RIP)*

Mrs Agnes Tateh (RIP)

5pm Kerala Mass

Latin Masses: (Our Lord Jesus Christ the King)

8:30am: *Jozefa Romaniuk RIP*

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Give the Lord glory and power.

SECOND COLLECTION

21st / 22nd October - MISSIO

URGENT - MISSIO RED BOXES

Please return your Missio Red Boxes for emptying. Give to Fr Richard or John Grogan ASAP. If you are unable to return your Missio box call John Grogan on 07773 712688 and he will collect the box from you.

The return of the Red boxes this time so far is quite low.

CONFIRMATION

Our parents' meeting went well on 17th October.

If you haven't signed up yet for Confirmation Classes, our first session for young people is 31st October at 7:30pm in the Donegan room.

We are also looking for an assistant so that the classes can go ahead. For further information please speak to Fr Richard or Katherine Smith.

VINTAGE AFTERNOON TEA

Friday 27th October from 2pm to 4 pm.

Cost is just £4 pp. All Welcome.

COMMUNITY DROP-IN COFFEE MORNING

London Road Surgery & Cauldwell Medical Centre, with East Bedford Primary Care Network are hosting a drop-in session at Christ the King Church Hall

Thursday 2nd November from 10am and 12pm

You will be able to access free support and information, or you can just pop in for a chat with one of our attending organisations, or just for a free cup of tea.

LOCAL FOOD BANK

The distribution centre is now at London Road Methodist Church on Thursday afternoons. The Food Pantry is still in Scott Hall where 10 items of food can be bought for just £3.

HELP URGENTLY NEEDED

The very small team who provide refreshments after the 11am Sunday Mass need more helpers so that they can continue the service. If interested please talk to Val or Sue in the hall kitchen after Mass.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY

Novus Ordo Masses: £621.05

Tridentine Masses: £458.40

CAFOD Family Fast day: £192.67

CONFESSIONS

Fridays 11am to 11:45am

Saturdays from 3pm to 5pm

PARISH GATHERING

The next parish gathering is on

Sunday 5th November after the 11am Mass

NOVEMBER DEAD LIST

Envelopes are provided at the back of the church to give names of loved ones whom you wish to be remembered at all November Masses. Include your offering in the envelope and put in the collection basket.

BEDFORD FOODBANK

Thank you for your continued support. With your support, this month we have already fed over 1700 people. These are the items we are running low on this month: Jars of Jam, Tinned Rice Pudding, Long Life Sponge Puddings, Long Life Fruit Juice, Tinned Custard, 250g/500g Bags of Rice, Teabags pks of 40/80, Biscuits, Tinned Sweetcorn and Tinned Meat.

FROM FATHER RICHARD

My induction Mass as parish priest for Christ the King takes place next Friday at 7pm all are most welcome to attend.

An Induction is a diocesan event where clergy and lay people gather from the diocese and beyond to support and encourage the parish community and their new Priest. It is a joyous event which marks a new beginning for priest and the people of the parish.

THE UNITY PRAYER

My Adorable Jesus,

May our feet journey together.

May our hands gather in unity.

May our hearts beat in unison.

May our souls be in harmony.

May our thoughts be as one.

May our ears listen to the silence together.

May our glances profoundly penetrate each other.

May our lips pray together to gain mercy from the Eternal Father. Amen.

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE PEOPLE WHO ARE ILL IN THE PARISH

PRAYER FOR THE SICK

Dear Jesus, divine physician and healer of the sick, we turn to you in this time of illness.

Oh dearest comforter of the troubled, alleviate our worry and sorrow with your gentle love, and grant us the grace and strength to accept this burden.

Dear God, we place our worries in your hands. Amen.



EVANGELISATION STARTS IN THE PARISH

Does your parish start with evangelisation? The Catholic Parish Summit is about inspiring parish leaders with a vision of a renewed Church that is missionary and apostolic at its core, and equipping them to cast off their parishes into mission — so that they can bring people to Jesus.

<https://catholicparishsummit.com/>

COMMUNION FOR CARE HOME RESIDENTS

If you have a family member in a care home within then parish who would like communion brought occasionally, please get in touch with the parish SVP group via Father Richard or the parish website SVP contact form.

<https://christthekingbedford.com/svp/>

INVITATION TO A DAY OF PENANCE

Pope Francis has urged Catholics to take only one side in the war in the Middle East, the side of peace. In this regard, Pope Francis invites everyone to a day of prayer, fasting, and penance for peace.

On Friday, 27 October, he encourages people of different Christian denominations, other religions, and all those who advocate for peace to participate as they see fit.

The central event will be an hour of prayer at 6pm in St. Peter's Square, with the goal of invoking peace for the world.

TUESDAY EVENING MASS

As from the 31st October the Tuesday Mass is returning to an evening Mass at 6:30pm

SEE BACK OF NEWSLETTER FOR SAFEGUARDING ITEMS

Safeguarding Upcoming Events.

Safeguarding Sunday.

To be allocated to one Sunday in November 2023.
The exact date is to be confirmed by Father Richard

Upcoming Safeguarding AUDIT in Christ the King Parish.

During the Month of November 2023.

The Audit Team will visit each Parish at any given time and look at all areas of Safeguarding. Interviews will be conducted with a selection of members from the said Parish to obtain views and feedback about Safeguarding. They will also look at Safeguarding compliance in the Parish, including Safeguarding notices, up to date registers, reporting structures, and access to Safeguarding information.

This will extend across all Masses at Christ the King.

With this intended Audit reaching Christ the King, I would appeal to all group leaders and all and any volunteer workers in the Parish to ensure that everyone engaged in work with Children, vulnerable adolescents, and vulnerable adults, is correctly DBS compliant as per CSSA directive.

If you have a DBS clearance, check that it is in date.

If you have DBS forms to complete, please contact me for assistance.

If you are engaged in any role that requires DBS clearance and you do not have DBS clearance, please contact me.

If you intend to take up a role that requires DBS clearance, please contact me.

If your name is not included on the Safeguarding register on the noticeboard at the rear of the Church, please contact me.

Lastly, if you are unsure about any of the above, please contact me.

ALL information and contact details regarding Safeguarding is posted on the noticeboard in the main entrance foyer of the church.

Thank you,
Dale Bunting-Gray.
Safeguarding Admin;
Christ the King.