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MASSES AND INTENTIONS

15th to 22nd November 2025

Sat 15th Nov

10am to 10:45am Confessions available 6pm Mass: *Dead List*

Sun 16th Nov 33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time 8:30am Latin Mass: *The faithful of the parish* 10:30am Mass:

10:30am Mass: 5pm Kerala Mass:

Tue 18th Nov

6.30pm Mass: *Simon and Lawrence O'Toole* 7pm to 7.30pm Eucharistic Exposition

Wed 19th Nov Red Wednesday

10am Mass: Dead List

10:30am Rosary

6pm – 7pm Parish Office hour – already booked this week

Thu 20th Nov

6:30pm Mass: Dead List

Fri 21st Nov The Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary

11am to 11.45am Exposition with Confessions 12 noon Mass: *Dead List*

12:30pm Mother's Prayers

Saint Cecilia 10am to 10:45am Confessions 6pm Mass

> THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY Last Week's Collections - £542.52 Standing Orders - £170.25

SUNDAY'S RESPONSORIAL PSALM

The Lord comes to judge the peoples with fairness.

The Latin Mass on Sunday morning is the 23rd Sunday after Pentecost.

READERS' TRAINING SESSION

Thanks to all the parish Readers who took part in our recent event, and special thanks to Teresa who has become one of our Readers.

We looked at some of the idiosyncrasies of the new Lectionary, so that we can be better able to use the new books.

We have also intentionally introduced brief pauses in the Liturgy of the Word, as we are asked by the Church (GIRM, 56.) This means that there will be a brief pause:

- Between the end of the Reading and the reader announcing, 'The Word of the Lord'.
- Between the Reading and the Psalm.
- Between the Psalm or Second Reading and the 'Alleluia'.

Rather than rushing straight from one piece of Scripture to the next, we are introducing these pauses so that "the Word of God may be grasped by the heart and a response through prayer may be prepared."

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION Resource books for 8-year-olds are available for sale in the Gift Shop at the back of the church. There are also some

Catechisms available for purchase. These are appropriate for young people and adults.

THE FEAST DAY MASS OF OUR LADY OF GUADALUPE

On Friday 12th December at 7.30pm, will be celebrated by the Papal Nuncio, Archbishop Buendia at St Joseph's Midland Road. The Mass will be preceded by the Rosary at 7pm. You are invited to take part.

CHRISTMAS FAIR MAIN DRAW TICKETS £200 - 1st Prize, £100 - 2nd Prize and £50 - 3rd prize plus many other prizes. The tickets are available.

We ask you to sell as many books of tickets amongst your friends and family and return the stubs and monies ASAP. Books are at the back of the church.

DONATIONS FOR THE CHRISTMAS FAIR Could you donate bottles for the Bottle Stall or other prizes? There is a box at the back of the church for donations for our Christmas Fair.

CAR PARK

Car park outside the main entrance of the church. There are four parking spaces only in this area. These are reserved for disabled and physically impaired drivers. This area cannot accommodate more than four cars. We ask that all drivers respect the nature of this area.

ONLINE ADVENT RETREAT Monday 24th November at 7:30pm Disrupted by Grace, week 1, with Dr Jessie Rogers and Dr Avril Baigent. This Advent, we will explore the theme "Disrupted by Grace" by delving into the stories of some of Jesus' more disreputable ancestors in Matthew 1. We begin on Monday 24th November by unpacking the story of Tamar and exploring the presence of grace in our lives.

Find out more and register here: https://northamptondiocese.org/grace/

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CHRISTMAS MASS TIMES

Christmas Eve 12.30pm Lithuanian Mass 5pm Vigil Mass of Christmas 8pm Night Mass of Christmas

Christmas Day

8.30am Dawn Mass of Christmas in Latin 10.30am Holy Mass of Christmas Day 12 noon Holy Mass in Syro-Malabar Rite PARISH OFFICE HOUR

Every Wednesday from 6pm to 7pm. This provides an appropriate time and place to discuss infant baptism, First Communion, Confirmation, Marriage, financial matters, booking Mass Intentions, or any administrative matters.

STANDING ORDER OFFERTORY DONATION

If you would like to make your Offertory donation to the parish by Standing Order these are the details:

Parish Account name: Christ the King Parish Sort Code: 60 06 11

Account Number: 46714332

GIVING TREE APPEAL

Which will support nominated families of St. Francis of Assisi Primary School. The tree will be in position at the back of the church, from Saturday 29th of November, which is the first week of Advent, until Sunday 14th of December, when all the gifts will be collected, ready to be delivered to the school on Monday the 15th of December.

THE CHURCH BELL

which is mounted over the west front of the church has lain dormant over the past year or so. It would be great to have the bell rung again either before Mass, or at the consecration. If you would like to try your hand, please go up into the choir gallery and practice using the rope.

