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#### **MASSES AND INTENTIONS**

29th November to 6th December 2025

Sat 29th Nov

10am to 10:45am Confessions available 6pm Mass: Deceased members of the DiStazio family

Sun 30<sup>th</sup> Nov 8:30am Latin Mass: *The faithful of the parish* 10:30am Mass: *Deceased members of the* Facchiano family

5pm Kerala Mass:

Tue 2<sup>nd</sup> Dec No Mass

Wed 3<sup>rd</sup> Dec Saint Francis Xavier 6.30pm Mass: *Ann Collins RIP* 7pm Holy Hour with Confession available.

Thu 4<sup>th</sup> Dec 6:30pm Mass: *YB* 

Fri 5<sup>th</sup> Dec

11am to 11.45am Exposition with Confessions

12 noon Mass: *Dead List* 12:30pm Mother's Prayers

Sat 6<sup>th</sup> Dec

10am to 10:45am Confessions

6pm Mass:

Next Weekend there is a retiring collection for flowers for Christmas.

# SUNDAY'S RESPONSORIAL PSALM Let us go rejoicing to the house of the Lord.

ADVENT

The beautiful season of Advent begins today, when the Church invites us to slow down, look up, and make room for Christ. It is a journey towards Christmas, with each week leading us gently from wakefulness, to preparation, to joy, and finally to welcome. Starting this week of Advent and continuing during the following two weeks, there will be an Advent Holy Hour on Wednesday evenings at 7pm. The Blessed sacrament will be exposed. Following this there will be a tenminute talk, and Confessions will be available from about 7.15pm to 7.50pm. The Blessed Sacrament will be reposed at 7.55pm

## 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.

TAIZÉ EVENING PRAYER
On Sunday 30th November,
First Sunday of Advent,
at 6.30pm at Elstow Abbey.
All welcome.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY Last Week's Collections - £495.21 Standing Orders - £170.25

#### HOSPITAL CHAPLAIN

If you know of a parishioner in hospital who would like a visit, or if you have been admitted and would like the Catholic Chaplain to visit, please contact Deacon Tony on 01234 950453

PARISH CHRISTMAS FAIR 2025
A Big thank you to all those who helped at the parish's Christmas Fair yesterday.
The total amount raised will be in next week's newsletter. Check the list at the back of the church to see if you have won a prize on the main raffle.

FROM PARISH SAFEGUARDING REP I would like to 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 (It is valid for three years from the date of issue).

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.

ALL information and contact details regarding Safeguarding is posted on the noticeboard in the main entrance foyer of the church. Lastly, if you are unsure about any of the above, please contact me. Thank you.

Dale Bunting-Gray Parish Safeguarding

### 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 Latin10.30am Holy Mass of Christmas Day12 noon Holy Mass in Syro-Malabar Rite

PARISH QUIZ NIGHT 2026
For your 2026 diary, our popular parish Quiz night with fish & chips supper Saturday 31st January 2026, at 7:30pm.
For more details see Rachel Kirkham or Tel: 01234 314093. Tickets on sale now. All welcome.

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 14<sup>th</sup> of December, when all the gifts will be collected, ready to be delivered to the school on Monday the 15<sup>th</sup> of December.

CHISEN – COFFEE MORNING
Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> December 2025
10:30am to 1pm at
25 Pemberley Ave, Bedford, MK42 2LE
Tea - Cakes - Biscuits
All proceeds to CHISEN
House of Hope Building
All Welcome

