

Catholic Parish of Our Lady and St George

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Lower Site 8520 8500. Upper Site: 8520 3552

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Charity Number: 234092

Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of Universe (20/11/2022)

Dear Parishioners,

The first and second scripture readings gives us an indication as to the sort of king that Jesus would turn out to be. In the Book from Samuel, God declares King David to be a shepherd as well as leader of the people. And we see Paul telling the Colossians how the kingdom of Christ transcends time and space but also how Jesus will make the ultimate sacrifice for the world and for the human race.

Jesus would indeed be a good shepherd, caring for and guiding the whole flock but rejoicing especially in the finding of one lost sheep. And he would make the ultimate sacrifice, out of love for the world and its people. It is a few short weeks before we will celebrate once again the birth of Christ we see in the Gospel how he was a king that was born to die, as indeed we all are. Many people, including those close to him, would have been expecting a great and powerful king who would vanquish the occupying force and place his followers in positions of greatness. Jesus, through his inglorious death on the cross, having been tortured and mocked, and surrounded by criminals and abandoned by his disciples, offers us liberation of a different sort: liberation from everything that prevents us from living life in all its richness and fullness. And just as he invites the criminal on the cross beside him, so does he invites all of us to a place in paradise.

Jesus Christ, King of the Universe: how our world needs such a king at the current time.

Have a Blessed Week.

Canon Miall

MARRIAGES: By appointment. At least six months' notice is required. Please speak to the priests for more information.

The **next parish Baptism preparation programme** will be on Monday 28th November at 6:30p.m. Session 1.

Please pray for the children and their families as they begin their preparation programme for Holy Communion.

Please note there will be No New Year's Eve Midnight Mass on New year Eve 31st December 2022.

OLSG SVP Annual Collection Appeal for Needy Families set for weekend Masses Saturday 26 and Sunday 27 November 2022.

The appeal will ensure that families experiencing the adverse effects of the economic and energy crisis can have the means to celebrate and enjoy the Christmas Season despite the great challenges they face in their day to day lives. There will be increased demands on the SVP to support working families, low-income families economically challenged, single parents who struggle each day to care for their children. People with disabilities and vulnerable older people living alone or with a carer or family member.

Senior Citizens Christmas Lunch; After a 3 year break due to Covid the lunch will take place on Sunday 4th December 2 to 5pm. Location as usual will be in Our Lady and St George lower site School. This year we will call it Jenny Richmond's Memorial Senior Citizens Lunch in her memory having organized the lunch for over 17 years. We look forward to seeing you there. See noticeboard by hymn book shelf for details. Please write your name clearly.

The HCPT bingo evening last week was a great success, raising over £450. That money will cover half the fare of a child's pilgrimage to Lourdes at Easter. A special thanks to Darren - Our 'Bingo King' his continued support and enthusiasm is much appreciated.

Bible study: We will be starting after enforced Covid break "reflecting on following Sunday readings on Monday 21st November 8pm in weekday chapel. The purpose of the group is to look, discern and pray on scripture reading then go out and live it! To prepare space and resources we would like to know if you will be interested you do not have to come regularly just when you are able. Please talk to Cliff in church porch after Sunday masses.

"My Day by Day" Advent booklets are available at the Repository at a cost of £2. The Advent booklet is a helpful companion for the season of Advent right up to the Christmas Season. Also Jesus' teachings talking about infants and children appear in several places in the New Testament so for our young ones we have "My Day by Day" Advent booklets for infants and juniors at £1. They are for primary school children, and are designed to encourage children's interest and enjoyment of the liturgical season of Advent into Christmas.

Pilgrimage to Lourdes 2023: The annual diocesan pilgrimage, led by Bishop Alan, will take place from Monday 24 – Saturday 29 July. All are welcome, including those of us who need assistance. Details regarding booking and costs will follow soon.

THE ADVENT LECTIONARY On Wednesday 23rd November from 7 pm there will be an in-person Faith Talk at the Catholic Church of Christ the Eternal High Priest in Gidea Park (410 Brentwood Road, Gidea Park, RM2 6DH). Fr Adrian Graffy will speak about the Advent lectionary, and present the website pages on www.whatgoodnews.org which give the text of all the readings, accompanied by a short commentary. The event is free of charge and there is no need to register. Refreshments in the hall from 6.30. The event will also be live-streamed – simply go to www.whatgoodnews.org on the day or visit the website later once the programme has been uploaded.

Advent Service at Brentwood Cathedral on Sunday 27th November at 4.00 p.m. With music from the Cathedral choir, readings and lighting of the Advent wreath led by Bishop Alan Williams, this is a perfect way to begin our spiritual preparation for Christmas. All welcome. You can also watch this service on the Thresholds of Hope page on youtube: <https://youtu.be/c2KQhRXzOFU>

Georgina Koduah, Rest in Peace We pray for the happy Repose of the Soul of Georgina Koduah, wife of Andrew. May God comfort the family. The Requiem Mass for Georgina's soul will be on Tuesday 6th December at 11am. Georgina's body will be brought to the Church on Monday 5th December at 4:30pm. Burial service will be at Saint Patrick Cemetery following the Requiem Mass.

Mass times and intentions at Our Lady and St. George

06:00pm	Family Intentions (Seamus and Evelyn Sherry)
Sun 20 November	OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE
08:30 am	November Dead Lists
10:00am	Ellen Fletcher (Carey)
12noon	Peggy Halpenny (Rest in Peace) (Family)
Mon 21 November	The Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary
09:15am	November Dead Lists
06:00pm	November Dead Lists
Tue 22 November	Saint Cecilia, Virgin and Martyrs
09:15am	Ted Sand (Rest in Peace) (Chris)
6:00pm	Brian Eamonn McDonagh (Rest in Peace) and Biddy McDonagh (Rest in Peace) (Family)
Wed 23 November	FERIA
09:15am	Thanksgiving (Roy George)
06:00 pm	Holy Souls (Priscila)
Thu 24 November	Saint Andrew Dung-Lac, Priests, and Companions, Martyrs
09:15am	November Dead Lists
06:00pm	Simon Connelly (Rest in peace) (Claire)
Fri 25 November	FERIA
09:15 am	November Dead Lists
06:00pm	November Dead Lists
Sat 26 November	FERIA
10:00am	Anne Harte (Joan)
06:00pm	November Dead List
Sun 27 November	First Sunday of Advent
08:30 am	November Dead Lists
10:00am	Anne Harte (Carey)
12noon	Choi-Yee Kwan (Rest in Peace) (Ping)

Prayer List

Betty Ramsey, Richard and Christine Martin, Michael Gaffney, Hilda Collett (Chris) Brid O Halloran, Josephine Walsh (Paul), Alma Willox, Liberee, Maria Green, Anne (Christina), Grace, Bridie Curley, Sharon Baker, Bridgit Morris, Mavis Hacker, Marjorie Singh, Pietro and Maria Marrai, Peggy McManus, Rosie Ebreo, Kathleen Lloyd, Johanna Whitley, Linda Campbell, Fr. Francis Coveney, Bridie Cronin, Baby Jimmy, Sierra Smucker-Halls (Carol), Maureen Newland (Carol), Anna (Gawlik), Theresa (Curley), Terry Wheeler, Pdraig Maloney, Pauline Brookman, Damon, Fatimata, Peter Norman