

# 3 Churches News

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## **CHRIST THE KING**

Our 3 Churches celebrate the Feast of Christ the King, the last Sunday of the Church's liturgical year. It's not been an easy year, for us as for everyone. Still coming out of Covid, we have all been hit by the effects of the situation in Ukraine and politics in our own country too.

So, against this background, what does this feast mean? The answer surely lies in asking ourselves another question - what kind of king was Jesus? A man of earthly power, of politics or of war? No, clearly not. A very different king emerges week by week as we watch and listen while the Gospel unfolds at Mass. He is at ease with everyone, has no earthly power, washes his followers' feet, wears a crown of thorns and dies on a Cross.

What does it mean to *you* for Christ to be King? Here is a poem / prayer by Chris Thorpe from his 2019 book of liturgical ideas and prayers "Dancers and Wayfarers"

Christ the King,  
You became poor that many might become rich;  
You emptied yourself of all power  
That we might be empowered to choose.  
You show us God's kingdom in our midst  
And invite us to kneel with you,  
To humble ourselves, to serve those in need,  
To find you here with us now.  
As we gather in your name, fill us with your Spirit;  
Open our hearts to worship you,  
Jesus the Servant King. Amen.

A happy feast day to our Christ the King community!

*Fr Matthew*



~~~~ Christ the King (Sunday 20 November 2022) ~~~~



Response to Psalm I rejoiced when I heard them say: 'Let us go to God's house.'  
Gospel Acclamation: **Alleluia, alleluia! Blessings on him who comes in the name of the Lord!  
Blessings on the coming kingdom of our father David! Alleluia!**

**1<sup>st</sup> Reading:** 2 Samuel 5:1-3 **2<sup>nd</sup> Reading:** Colossians 1:12-20 **Gospel:** Luke 23: 35-43  
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## 3 Churches

### BAPTISM

Next Sunday we welcome **Herbert Merlin Sargent-Todd** into the Church through Baptism at Christ the King during 9am Mass. Please remember him, his family and godparents in your prayers.

### THE SYNOD: REPORTS ON-LINE & YOUNG PEOPLE PROGRESS

The minutes of the joint meeting between our two **Parish Councils and Synod Team** are now on our website. Also there are the earlier principle action points of **St Brigid's and St Paul's Parish Council** in reaction to the parish report, joining those of Christ the King already on the site. All accessible via the Synod button!

The second focus of the Parish Councils and Synod Team meeting after "Communication" was "**Young People**", and it's becoming clear that other parishes in the city have come to similar points. An **open Zoom meeting** will be held this Tuesday 22 November for people of our deanery with interest and / or experience and / or enthusiasm to support our young people, i.e. high school and upwards. If you would like to help represent our 3 Churches please contact Fr Matthew ASAP.

### **Archdiocese Family Event**

The Three Churches is hosting the annual Family Advent event on Saturday 26 November at Christ the King Parish Centre from 2 - 6pm. If anyone in the parish is able to help with either refreshments or craft activities then please contact the Family Life worker: [parenting@rcadc.org](mailto:parenting@rcadc.org) if you are able to offer any help at all.

Further information:

<https://tinyurl.com/triple-a-event>

### Sick & Retired Clergy Appeal

This weekend there will be a second collection for this year's Sick and Retired Clergy Appeal. The diocese needs to raise £200,000 this year to honour its commitment to providing for our retired priests. They have devoted their lives in service to the Church and we ask that you make a small contribution to their needs in return. Envelopes, including a Gift Aid declaration are available at the back of the Church to make your donation. Should you wish to consider giving regularly to this fund, a number of Standing Order forms are also available or you can request one from Archbishop's House. Email [donate@rcadc.org](mailto:donate@rcadc.org) / phone 2022 0411.

**Christmas teaRun** organised by Seeds for the Future to raise funds for the community of Ramabanta in Lesotho will be held on Sunday 4 December. A choice of running / walking between the 3 Churches followed by Christmas tea or just tea! Runners / walkers to leave from Christ the King from 1.30pm onwards. Tea 3 - 5pm in Christ the King Parish Centre. £15 per person with a donation for children. Booking required. Contact Elizabeth Taylor (2075 1401, [seedsfff@gmail.com](mailto:seedsfff@gmail.com))

**Send your newsletter items to: [luke.todd@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:luke.todd@yahoo.co.uk) and if you would like to be included on the mailing list to receive an e-version of this newsletter, please contact the same address.**

### Christ the King Primary School Reception Applications September 2023 - 2024

The application process for Reception 2023 - 2024 is now open. Applications can be made by following this link - <https://tinyurl.com/CTK-reception> Parents will be notified of their offers on Monday 17 April.

## Other events

**Charity Concert** at St Edward's Church, Roath, on Friday 25 November at 7.30pm. Helena Todd (Violin) and Nicki Rose (Piano). In aid of Home4u, providing accommodation and support to people seeking asylum who become destitute when they reach a break in their asylum claim. With no right to work, no accommodation and no recourse to public funds, people have few options. [www.home4ucardiff.org](http://www.home4ucardiff.org)

Charity Christmas Concert  
Choirs For Good will be holding their first ever Christmas Concert at Christ the King Church on Friday 2 December starting at 7.30pm. The concert is being held in aid of the charity Blood-bikes for Wales, who deliver emergency supplies of blood throughout the country on motorcycles. Tickets are £5 and available at - [www.choirsforgood.com/events](http://www.choirsforgood.com/events).

The evening will include performances from the choir, a number of supporting acts, a sing-along session and will be followed by tea, mince pies and mulled wine in the Parish Centre.

## Other events

### Cards for Good Causes

The multi-charity card shop has opened its annual shop at St John's Church on The Hayes.  
Open Monday - Saturday 10am - 4pm, until Saturday 17 December.

## Christ the King

### Parish Office

Please note the Parish Office will be closed until Monday 28 November. If you have an urgent message please contact St Brigid's presbytery. Please send any information for the newsletter directly to [luke.todd@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:luke.todd@yahoo.co.uk)

### Sustainable Clothes & Book Market

We are in the process of starting the above. So far, we have linked to Christ the King School and have acquired a good selection of quality clothes, mostly zero to ten years old. We have had a small trial after the last Family Mass, which went really well, therefore we will do the same again after the Family Mass this weekend (Sunday 20 November) We will be starting to put the clothes out early Saturday evening, so we encourage parishioners after the Saturday Mass on 19<sup>th</sup>, to come over to the Parish Centre to have a look and take anything they would find useful. We will also have tea and coffee available for anyone who would like to stay and find out more about the Market.

**Thursday 24 November at 7pm**, we will hold an informal, open meeting, in the Parish Centre for anyone who would like to help us, or has any interest with the aims and purpose to progress the market i.e. linking with other groups.

### Baby and Toddler Play Group

The Baby and Toddler Play Group meets Mondays 10 - 11.45am in the Parish Centre. All welcome.

### Communion

If you or a family member needs communion to be brought to you in your bench, please let one of the welcomers know on your way into Mass.

### The Junior Club is taking a break until January.

### Date for your Diary...

#### Parish Christmas Quiz

Our next parish quiz will take place in the Parish Centre on Thursday 8 December 7pm for 7.30pm start. Bring along your own drinks / snacks - glasses and corkscrews provided! Prize for best Christmas attire! Come as a team or come along and join a team on the night. Everyone welcome. Admission free but any donations will be given to the 3 Churches Food Market.

### Parish Advisory Council

The PAC met on 15 November.

Matters covered included:

- \* Approval of the installation of a live-streaming system for the church, which should be completed by Christmas
- \* Approval of a community warm hub project for the parish centre under the leadership of Sue Peat, to start in January - look out for further information in the coming weeks
- \* A report on 3 Churches action to change the newsletter arrangements which will in turn facilitate development of a 3 Churches register of parishioners - again further information in the coming weeks.

### Walk With Me Advent 2022

The Walk With Me booklets for Advent are now available at the back of the Church priced £1.

### 50 Club

The SVP have been the beneficiaries for the last 3 years. The Parish Advisory Council needs to consider which charity or project should benefit from January 2023. Please contact the PAC Chair (Elizabeth Taylor 2075 1401 [tayleat@gmail.com](mailto:tayleat@gmail.com)) with any suggestions by 25 November. The successful charity / project receives half of the subscription amount and is responsible for running the 50 Club (seeking new subscribers, collecting subscriptions, running the monthly draw).

## St Brigid's & St Pauls

**St Brigid's tea / coffee raised £140 for the City Hospice. This will be matched £ for £ by the Julian Hodge Foundation so a grand total of £280 was donated to the hospice. We also raised £20 on Remembrance Sunday for the British Legion. Well done everyone**

### Celebration Family Mass

Wanted! Volunteers are needed to help us celebrate the First Sunday of Advent - Sunday 27 November at 10.30am. There are many different roles to suit a range of ages. Please come along to help us celebrate this special time. If you would like to join in, please come and have a chat with us at the end of 10.30am Mass this Sunday or contact [lettie.reid@ntlworld.com](mailto:lettie.reid@ntlworld.com) or [andrew.davies99@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:andrew.davies99@yahoo.co.uk) by Wednesday (23 November)

# WEEKLY MASS SCHEDULE

## Sunday November 20<sup>th</sup> Christ the King

|               |             |                                                      |                            |
|---------------|-------------|------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------|
| Sat. 6pm      | C the K     | <b>Peter O'Brien &amp; Mark Sim (O'Brien Family)</b> |                            |
| Sun. 9am      | St Paul's   | <b>Altar List</b>                                    | Christ the King            |
| 9.30am        | C the K     | <b>Feast of Christ the King</b>                      |                            |
|               |             | <b>Harry, Evelyn &amp; Ann Norris (K Liddington)</b> |                            |
| 10.30am       | St Brigid's | <b>Celia Campbell</b>                                |                            |
| 6pm           | St Brigid's | <b>People of the Parish</b>                          |                            |
| Mon. 9.30am   | St Brigid's | <b>Shirley Sweeney</b>                               | Presentation of Our Lady   |
| Tues. 9.30am  | C the K     | <b>Alison Callus (Callus Family)</b>                 | St Cecilia                 |
| Wed. 9.30am   | St Paul's   | <b>Suzanne Lee (Cole)</b>                            | St Clement; St Columban    |
| Thurs. 9.30am | C the K     | <b>Gabriel McGee</b>                                 | Martyrs of Vietnam         |
| 7.30pm        | St Brigid's | <b>Altar List</b>                                    |                            |
| Fri. 9.30am   | St Paul's   | <b>Special Intention</b>                             | St Catherine of Alexandria |
| Sat. 9.30am   | St Brigid's | <b>Margaret Keoghane</b>                             |                            |

## Sunday November 27<sup>th</sup> First Sunday of Advent

|          |             |                                                       |                        |
|----------|-------------|-------------------------------------------------------|------------------------|
| Sat. 6pm | C the K     | <b>Barney McLaughlin (M Murphy)</b>                   |                        |
| Sun. 9am | C the K     | <b>Andrew Newton &amp; Gracie Newton (S Williams)</b> |                        |
|          |             | <b>Baptism: Herbert Merlin Sargent-Todd</b>           | First Sunday of Advent |
| 9am      | St Paul's   | <b>Altar List</b>                                     |                        |
| 10.30am  | St Brigid's | <b>Katy Perkins (Bray)</b>                            |                        |
| 6pm      | St Brigid's | <b>People of the Parish</b>                           |                        |

### 3 Churches Parish Council Chairs

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#### Sts Brigid & Paul

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#### Bereavement Support Group

07594 217098

Please send items to [luke.todd@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:luke.todd@yahoo.co.uk) by Wednesday afternoon at the latest!

### Praying for our Neighbours

During the coming week, please pray for our neighbours in  
Wingate Drive

### Sacrament of

### Reconciliation

St Brigid's ~

Saturday 10.00am

Christ the King ~

Saturday 5.40pm

St Paul's ~

Friday 10.00am

Or by request...

### PRAYERS

Please remember the following in your prayers, who are unwell at this time:

Mary Amugan, Chris Babu, Bill Brown, EAB, John Campbell, Dennis Cooke, Corey-Jay Coles, Terry Culbertson, Sid Daw, Emily, Richard Evans, Baby Francesca, Sheila Hanson, Maria Hill, Margaret Keoghane, Liz, Avirachen Mathai, Una Meades, Miranda Meldrum, Dominic Morgan, Sarah Morris, Kate Murphy, Niamh Murphy, Kieran Ollin, Ashley Pendleton, Steve Prince, John Reardon, Claire Richards, Anne Roach, Oliver Roberts, Adela Rogers, Shaun Stone, Anne Wake, Gemma Ward, Emma Warlow & Dorothy Warren.