

**THE WORD THIS WEEK**

**OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, UNIVERSAL KING - YEAR C**

**20 November 2022**

The year of St Luke ends with a characteristic take on the feast of Christ the King: in Luke's gospel we are so familiar with seeing and hearing the voiceless, the rejected, those whom society puts in second place: how suitable, then, that on the feast of the King of all Creation we see him at his most vulnerable - on the cross, with only an abrupt inscription to announce that he is the King. He is King because of the work he has done, which is described by Saint Paul in the Second Reading: 'all things [are] reconciled through him and for him - when he made peace by his death on the cross.' Next week, when we re-enter Advent and a new Liturgical Year, we will be thinking of the King who will come again: though he will come as his disciples saw him go at the Ascension, the marks of the cross will still be visible for all time, to remind us of the one who came to reunite all Creation, especially frail human creatures.

**PARISH NOTICES & EVENTS**

**PARISH OF DIVINE MERCY PRAYER**

Lord Jesus Christ, help us never to abandon your ways. As you have loved and shown us your mercy, may we sincerely express our love for God by loving our neighbour and being merciful to them. Jesus, King of Divine Mercy, we trust in you.

**2. READINGS**

**First: 2 MSamuel 5: 1-3** - David is anointed king of Israel, in the presence of the Lord.

**Psalm 121:** I rejoiced when I heard them say "Let us go to God's house" / Jerusalem is built as a city / For Israel's law it is.

**Second: Colossians 1: 12-20:** Thanks to the Father who made it possible for us to join the saints and inherit the light ... he has created a place for us in Christ's kingdom. ... Christ is ... the image of the unseen God, in him all things were created.

**Gospel: Luke 23: 35-43** - The events when Jesus is hanging on the cross, and the people and soldiers mocked him "If you are the king of the Jews, save yourself". One of the criminals hanged defended him and asked, "Jesus remember me, when you come into your kingdom".

**3. HOPE IN THE FUTURE PRAYER CYCLE:** We pray this week for the people of the parish of Our Lady and St. Joseph, Heywood, with Fr. Augustine Frankin and Fr. John Okeme, of the Missionaries of St. Paul. We pray for their parish primary schools and Holy Cross RC/CE College. May they seek always the Kingdom of God.

**4. BAPTISM:** We welcome into the Divine Mercy Parish community Lyla Rose, who was baptised in the Parish last weekend.

**5. HOPE IN THE FUTURE – SHARING THE HOPE:** A key focus of our Parish Hope in the Future project is 'Sharing the Hope.' We can do this by responding to those in need. This Advent we are asking parishioners if you can help to make Christmas special for families who may struggle without help. Donations of festive treats and non-perishable food may be left at the back of church. An appeal will be made after each of the Masses this weekend. Thanks for your support.

**6. NOVEMBER PRAYERS FOR THE DEAD:** In the month of November we remember especially our deceased

loved ones. There is a Tree of Remembrance at both churches for you to put on the names of your loved ones as we offer prayers for them throughout the month. There is also a box at the entrance of each church in which you can put the names of those you want us to pray for. "May the souls of all the faithful departed through the mercy of God rest in peace, Amen".

**8. NEW YEAR'S EVE DANCE:** Tickets are now on sale at all Masses. DJ and Buffet. Doors open at 7.00pm. Ticket Price £18.00. Please contact Jane on 07772631398 or by email [divinemercyoldham@gmail.com](mailto:divinemercyoldham@gmail.com). Come along and see out the old year and welcome the New Year !!!!

**7. ADVENT WALK WITH ME BOOKLETS:** are available at the back of each church. These booklets are a useful way of entering the season of Advent and preparing for Christmas. Price: £1.00.

**9. SS AIDAN & OSWALD ADVENT TAIZE EVENING:** Ss Aidan & Oswald's Church are holding an Advent Taize Service on Sunday 27th November 2022 at 7.30pm. All are welcome. Please use the Vaughan Street entrance.

**10. MOSSLEY BRASS BAND CONCERT:** will take place on Sunday, 18th December in Corpus Christi School Hall, from 2 pm- 4 pm. Tickets: Adults £4 Children £2. Tickets will be on sale at both churches this weekend 19th/20th November.

**11. VOLUNTEER INFORMATION EVENING FOR DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE TO LOURDES:** Are you interested in joining our incredible team of volunteers for our 89th diocesan pilgrimage to Lourdes? We're hosting an online information session on Wednesday 30th November (7pm – 8pm) for anyone who may be interested in volunteering with us when we travel to Lourdes next summer. Sign up to the information session by visiting <https://tinyurl.com/SalfordLourdes23>. If you have any questions, please contact the Lourdes office on: [Lourdes.Pilgrimage@dioceseofsalford.org.uk](mailto:Lourdes.Pilgrimage@dioceseofsalford.org.uk)

**12. CHRISTINGLE PRESENTATION BY THE CHILDREN'S LITURGY GROUP – CORPUS CHRISTI:** The children will be preparing and then presenting their Christingle oranges at the Offertory this morning.

**HYMNS**

**CORPUS CHRISTI:** Entrance: 310; Offertory: 252; Communion: 656, 538; Recessional: 346.

**ST HERBERT'S:** Entrance: 229; Offertory: 583; Communion: 310, 652; Recessional: 274.

## PARISH NOTICES & EVENTS

Thank you, parents, for your continued support of the children's liturgy.

**13. PARENT/TODDLER GROUP:** In St Herbert's Parish Centre every Thursday from 1.00 pm – 2.45 pm (term-time only). £1.00 includes refreshments. Everybody welcome!

**14. ST HERBERT'S CHRISTMAS FAIR:** is on the 27 November 12.00 to 2.00pm. We would be grateful for raffles prizes, bottles, and fancy goods, which can be left the back of church near the piety stall. Raffle tickets will be on sale after 11.00 clock Mass. Tickets £1.00 – First Prize £100. Please support the Christmas Fair. Thank you.

**15. CORPUS CHRISTI CHRISTMAS FAIR:** will be held on Sunday, 27 November 2022 in Corpus Christi School Hall. Doors open at 10.30 am. Christmas Raffle tickets will be on sale at all Masses. 1<sup>st</sup> prize £100, plus many more prizes. Price of ticket £1.00 each. We would like to appeal for good quality prizes for the raffle and bottles for the Bottle Tombola. Please come along and make this event a huge success.

**16. CHRISTMAS MEAL AT THE SAN ROCCO:** Just a reminder that the balance for the Christmas lunch at San Rocco must be paid by this Sunday, 20 November. You will then get a menu for you to pre-order.

### 16. SCHOOL NEWS

**Corpus Christi:** This week our nativity rehearsals have officially begun! The EYFS and KS1 children are working hard to learn their songs and practise their lines. We can't wait to see their nativities in the upcoming weeks.

Our Reception children were lucky enough to welcome Julie from Oldham Council into their department this week. Julie spoke to them all about the importance of staying safe whilst crossing the road and talked to them about wearing their seatbelt in the car.

Our Nursery children came to school on Thursday dressed as nursery rhyme characters. They have been celebrating nursery rhyme week and have loved learning lots of different nursery rhymes. They all looked fantastic.

### 17. SUNDAY SMILE

An elderly priest went to his doctor in a worried state. Doctor! I think I'm shrinking!" The doctor calmly responded, "Now, settle down, Father! You'll just have to be a little patient."

## WEEKDAY CALENDAR

<b>MONDAY:</b>	Both churches closed.
<b>TUESDAY:</b>	<b>Corpus Christi:</b> Private Prayer at 6.30 pm; Mass at 7.00 pm.
<b>WEDNESDAY:</b>	<b>St Herbert's:</b> Private Prayer at 9.30 am; Mass at 10.00 am;
<b>THURSDAY:</b>	<b>Corpus Christi:</b> Private Prayer at 9.00 am; Mass at 9.30 am
<b>FRIDAY:</b>	<b>St Herbert's:</b> Private Prayer at 9.30 am; Mass at 10.00 am
<b>SATURDAY:</b>	<b>Corpus Christi:</b> Private Prayer at 5.00 pm; Mass at 5.30 pm
<b>SUNDAY:</b>	<b>Corpus Christi:</b> Private Prayer 9.00 am; Mass at 9.30 am <b>St Herbert's:</b> Private Prayer 10.30 am; Mass at 11.00 am

**CONFESSIONS AVAILABLE BEFORE MASS ON REQUEST**

## MASS REQUESTS

### Missa pro populo

**Mass Intentions:** Daren Edward Veevers

**Lately Dead:** Bill Delph, Brian Orford, Tom Power, Evelyn Griffin, Michael Hull, Margaret Dodds, Margaret Jolley, Nancy Barrett

**RIP:** Peter Geraghty

**Anniversary:** Dominic Mazza, David Johnson

## PRAYER FOR SICK & HOUSEBOUND

Father, we place before you all the sick and housebound of the parish:  
Mary Gowran, Margaret Lawless, Edith Hamilton, David Roberts, Agnes Conroy, Mrs Monica Anne Turner, Angela Delph, Jean Allen, Dorothy Buckley, Nora Hickey, Sheila Cavey, Nancy Pinto, Mrs H Fallas, Anthony McDermott, Beryl Henderson, Jean Winterbottom, Maxine Bennett, Dominic Boardman, Angela Fairgrieve, Jack Hulme, Peter Wooldridge, Nikki Winnard, Pauline Powell, Phillip Lees, Andrew Lees, Mrs Lewandowski, Mary O'Connor.



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## ARE YOU...

New to the Parish?

Know someone who is sick or in hospital?

Can you help the parish or us you?

Like a visit from the priest?

Please speak to Fr Lawrence after mass or at any convenient time.