

Christ the King Newsletter

Focus of the Week

REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY

12 NOVEMBER 2023 11AM

Parishioners are reminded that, as usual, we will be observing the 2 minutes silence with the rest of the country at 11 am.

We ask you to be seated by 10:55am. Thank you.



SRI LANKAN EVENING

SATURDAY 18 NOVEMBER – 6.30PM

Come and join us for an evening of Sri Lankan culture including a 3 course meal, music and entertainment, all in aid of Sri Lankan and Philipinnes charities.



Tickets are £25, they will be on sale after masses this weekend and also available from the parish office.

BLESSING OF THE GRAVES

TRENT PARK CEMETERY

If your loved ones are buried at Trent Park Cemetery there will be an opportunity to have them blessed by Fr Christophe on 25 November at 12 noon.



Praying for peace

War is in the news. On the day I am writing this piece you can hear about the Russia-Ukraine war; day 622. On another news site you can follow the Israel-Hamas war: day 32. These two conflicts dominate the news. In fact, 34 countries are currently involved in wars: wars between countries, wars within countries, wars with terrorist groups or drug wars.

When we hear such news, we, as Christians, are moved to pray for peace. Our prayers are usually offered for those directly involved in the conflict: peace in a particular conflict or for the victims of war. We also pray for other nations and organisations to respond to the needs of those devastated by war and to help bring peace and reconciliation.

For example, Cardinal Vincent Nichols has joined Pope Francis' call for a ceasefire between Israel and Hamas. He has also asked Catholics to pray for peace with the rise of anti semitic and Islamophobic hate crimes, particularly in London. A group of 20 Church leaders in the UK have called for a ceasefire and for immediate humanitarian access and urged us to pray simply – Lord come to our aid. Grant us peace, teach us peace

Perhaps less often do we pray to be peacemakers ourselves, as St Francis prayed "Lord, make me an instrument of Your peace." We may also neglect to pray to overcome our own sense of helplessness and despair - Dear God, the world seems so dark and foreboding. ... In our hearts we desire to help, but the crisis seems so overwhelming that we shake our heads in dismay Help us to light candles of hope (from the Mennonite Church in Canada).

We can find encouragement when prayers for peace bring together those from opposing sides in a war. Early in the Russian-Ukrainian conflict, a small group of Ukrainian and Russian Christians met online to pray for peace. In the circumstances, words were too difficult. In faith, they sought unity and peace in silent meditation.

You can find some beautiful prayers for peace, including prayers from different churches and religions at this site Prayers for Peace (xavier.edu)



Deacon Ted Wood ccn

Notices of the Week

FEAST OF CHRIST THE KING

SUNDAY 26 NOVEMBER

After each Mass we will celebrate
With Prosecco and cake.

Please bring your favourite cake to share!



ZOOM PRAYER GROUP

We continue to meet on Saturdays at 2.30pm.

On 11 November it will be Rev. John Coles and on 18 November Phil Kingham. Link peterkrau@aol.com



ADORATION WITH RECONCILIATION

FOR CONFIRMANDI

Tuesday 14 November, 6 – 7pm

There will be an evening of reconciliation for the
Confirmandi during Adoration.



CHRIST THE KING PLAYGROUP

We have re-launched the parent toddler
group which takes place **every Thursday,**
9:30-11:00am in the large hall.

A special music time will be held during each
session. Feel free to drop-in. No registration is necessary.



PILGRIMAGE TO MEDJUGORJE

The parish is organising a Pilgrimage to Medjugorje. The dates are
as follows :

Fly out from Gatwick Airport on 21 May 2024 at 12:50.

Fly out from Split Airport on 28 May 2024 at 17:10.

The total cost will be £760. A single supplement will apply. A £30
discount will be given to those who book and pay their £100
deposit before the 31 January 2024.

The package includes flights, 23kg hold luggage,
transfers to and from airport to hotel, half board
at hotel - breakfast and three course evening meal with wine.
Staying at The Quercus Hotel - each room has en-suite, fridge, air-
con, hairdryer, flat screen TV, phone, etc. Priority will be given to
those who have not already attended a parish pilgrimage to
Medjugorje.



If you have any questions, **please do not hesitate to contact**
Gail 07989 879 148 / gail.hewett@hotmail.com or leave details
in the parish office.

SAFEGUARDING MATTERS

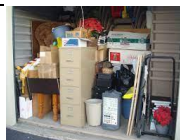
The church building has many rooms and areas; it is open to
everyone. Parents and carers should supervise their children at all
times. Please accompany young children to the toilet.



If any parishioner has seen anything that concerns them such as
a child or vulnerable adult possibly being mistreated, or if you
have been made to feel uncomfortable or threatened by anyone
on the church premises, please contact Fr Christophe, or
Dominic Cox or Norah Flatley the Parish Safeguarding
Representatives, using the
email: cockfosterssg@safeguardrcdow.org.uk
or cockfosterssg1@safeguardrcdow.org.uk.

STORAGE SPACE REQUIRED

A parishioner is in need of temporary storage
whilst in between homes. If you are able to help,
please contact the parish office.



SUNDAY READINGS – YEAR A

THIRTY-SECOND

SUNDAY

Wis. 6:12-16

Ps. 62:2-8

1 Thess. 4:13-18

Mt. 25:1-13

THIRTY-THIRD

SUNDAY

Prov. 31:10-13

Ps. 127

1 Thess. 5:1-6

Mt. 25:14-30



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Mass Schedule

Mon - Sat: 11.00am (except on Tuesday)
Saturday: 5.30pm
Sunday: 9.00am, 11.00am

Adoration – Confession Mon - Fri: 6.00–7.00pm

Parish Live Streaming

 [@ChristTheKingParishCockfosters](https://www.facebook.com/ChristTheKingParishCockfosters)
 [Christ the King Cockfosters](https://www.youtube.com/ChristTheKingCockfosters)

