

Christ the King Newsletter

Focus of the Week

Alpha



Stay curious, Try Alpha
For the explorers, open-minded, still thinking and curious.

Thursday evenings at 7.30pm from
28 September to 7 December 2023
All welcome, invite your friends too.

COCKFOSTERS SHARING GROUPS

In our parish we emphasise the importance of fellowship and we have a number of small sharing groups to support this - Cockfosters Sharing Groups (CSGs).

We believe that a Christian community is strengthened by supporting one another in friendship and prayer.

Sharing our joys and our difficulties helps us to build a strong Christian community.

The purpose of these small groups is to grow in faith through personal sharing of our lives in the light of the scriptures. They are for everyone: singles, couples or divorced, elderly or young and they are made up of 7 to 10 people who meet once every three or four weeks.

Launch evening -Saturday

30 September 6.30 to 8.30pm (cheese and wine provided).



SEASON OF CREATION 2023

"Let justice and peace flow on like a river, righteousness like a never-failing stream" Amos 5:24

Inspired by Amos 5:24, Pope Francis has given us the theme for the Season of Creation 2023. This passage speaks of what God desires. That our world should be filled with justice seeking love - a justice that never ends and a love that extends to every part of creation. On behalf of all creation, Christians everywhere are called to live out this life-giving love and to come together, just like tributaries, to form a mighty river of justice and peace.

In his message for the Season of Creation the Pope says, "let us dwell on those heartbeats: our own and those of our mothers and grandmothers, the heartbeat of creation and the heartbeat of God. Today they do not beat in harmony; they are not harmonized in justice and peace. Too many of our brothers and sisters are prevented from drinking from that mighty river. Let us heed our call to stand with the victims of environmental and climate injustice, and to put an end to the senseless war against creation."

If we were able to truly transform our hearts, lifestyles and the public policies ruling our societies, as pope Francis invites us to, then our whole world would be transformed. Poverty and injustice would be swept away and replaced with the conditions for all to flourish.

May we seek to let justice and peace flow, let us work together to care for and protect our common home and all our brothers and sisters throughout the world who are struggling against poverty, injustice and the effects of the climate crisis. "May the Holy Spirit once more hover over the waters and guide us to 'renew the face of the earth'".

**Let Justice
and Peace Flow**
Season of Creation 2023



Helena Worley

Our common Home Project Team

Notices of the Week

NET FOR GOD PRAYER GROUP

The prayer group resumed **Tuesday 19 September**, 8 - 9.30pm to praise and listen to the Word of God. People from all walks of life are welcome to join us to pray and practice charisms.



BIBLE STUDY

Have you ever set out to read the Bible cover to cover and didn't get through Genesis?



This Bible study is designed to help you find your way through Genesis and learn some basic skills which can help with the other 72 books of the Bible. Meetings will be on Zoom. **Mondays, 7:30-8:30pm, 25 September to 4 December.** Session will also be available in person in the parish library at 7:30. Led by Deacon Ted Wood. To register call the parish office and leave your email address.

CANA WELCOME

For all couples, married or not and particularly for young married couples, young parents, those who want to build the foundations of a solid relationship and those who have been together for a long time.



Cana Welcome is a programme proposed in a parish at a rhythm of one evening per month and one weekend during the year. The evenings take place in small sharing groups of four or five couples and are led by an experienced couple.

The couples live a true fraternal life all along the year and explore together matters of daily life: communicate more effectively, the differences between a man and a woman, the equilibrium between professional and family life...

This introduction meeting will be on Saturday 30 September at 6.30pm (cheese and wine provided).

ST. ANNE'S CATHOLIC SCHOOL

St. Anne's Catholic High School for Girls will be holding their 'OPEN EVENING' on Monday 2nd October 2023 from 6pm to 8pm at the Lower Site School, 50 London Road, Enfield, EN2 6EL

Please visit www.st-annes.renfield.sch.uk for more information.

ADORATION

Adoration and confession
Monday – Friday 6.00 – 7.00pm.



Adoration of the blessed sacrament with music and meditation will be starting on Wednesdays in September.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

First session for First Holy Communion will be
15 October – 9.45-10.45am.

Please contact Caterina Schifano:

cockfosterspa@rcdow.org.uk

Margaret Hanley: FHCatCTK@outlook.com

WONDRIOUS DOINGS: PRAYING WITH PSALMS

(Re-scheduled from July due to rail strike)

Saturday, 30 September, 10.30am – 4pm

To register your place, please email us at cockfosterscs@rcdow.org.uk or if you do not have email access contact the parish office on 020 8449 6648 extn 5 and leave a message.



SEEING WITH THE EYES OF THE HEART – CONTEMPLATIVE PHOTOGRAPHY

Saturday, 7 October. 10am – 3pm

Join us for a time of not just looking but of truly seeing, and seeing with the eyes of the heart. We will use our cameras (a phone camera is fine) to 'take a long, loving look at the real' as one definition of contemplation

puts it. No particular photographic skill is required, just a heart open to God at work all around and within us.

Registration details as above.



SUNDAY READINGS – Year A

TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY

.Is.55:6-9

Ps. 144

Phil. 1:20-24-27

Mt.20: 1-16



TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY

Ez. 18 25-28

Ps. 24

Phil.2: 1-11

Mt.21: 28-32

Contact Us

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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)

www.christthekingcockfosters.co.uk



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NICHOLAS BREAKSPEAR CATHOLIC SCHOOL

Nicholas Breakspear Catholic School looks forward to welcoming prospective students and their families to their Open Evening on Thursday 5th October 2023 from 5.30pm to 9.30pm.

Please visit nbs.herts.sch.uk for more details.

FOR CHILDREN 3-6 – THE ATRIUM

Our program for children aged 3-6 will begin again this autumn on 8 October with new children. Returning children start on 15 October. We use the method called Catechesis of the Good Shepherd, a Montessori-based religious formation program for young children. **We meet Sundays, 10:00 – 11:30 (children will join the Mass at 11:30)** in our "atrium," a beautifully prepared room on the first floor of the parish. Please pick up a flyer and registration form in the front hall or consult the parish website where you can download the registration. For more information contact Nancy Wood at the parish.



OUR COMMON HOME GROUP

OCHG invite you to join them on a walk around Trent Park on **Saturday 30 September** after 11am Mass. Fr Christophe will lead us in prayer and meditation as we walk. We will finish the walk with a **BYO picnic at around 1pm** near to the entrance opposite Oakwood Station. Please join us for the picnic if you are unable to walk.



SEASON OF CREATION PRODUCE TABLE

There will be a table in the entrance hall each weekend in September where you can leave **any surplus food produce from your garden**, to share with other parishioners. All are welcome to take any of this produce you can use.



MONTH OF PRAYER FOR THE CARE OF CREATION

Pope Francis encourages the Catholic community across the world to pray for Our Common Home. He invites us to the renewal of our relationship with creation so that we no longer see it as an object to be exploited but as a sacred gift from our Creator.



Walk beside us, Lord as the cries of the forest pierce the dawn and the flames rip our common home.

CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL ADMISSION 2024

If your child was born between 1 September 2019 and 31 August 2020, you will be applying for them to start a primary school in September 2024. Applications are made online via eAdmissions. The closing date for on-time applications is 15 January 2024.

Should you, as a parent or guardian, require guidance and support on the admissions procedures for local Catholic Primary Schools, or appeals please contact the Catholic Primary Schools Admissions Group by sending an email request to daniel.keane_@outlook.com

If you would like information about when you can visit schools, please check their websites. Please note that the parish of Christ the King is included as a criteria in the admission Policy, of St George's Catholic Primary School. Thank you.

FIVE DAYS IN THE GREEN ABBEY - Permaculture Project in Cornwall: For the Season of Creation 2023, our parish will organise an "Ora et Labora" week (work and prayer) at Sclerder Abbey in Cornwall. The Green Abbey project embraces sustainability and is an exciting new permaculture endeavour situated on the grounds of a former Carmelite monastery. The plan is to experience and share the life of work and prayer with the members of the Chemin Neuf community residing there. It may be a joint experience with other parishes in our deanery.



Please save the date: Sunday 8 October (evening) to Friday 13 October.

The price is between £190 - £250. Please register.

COCKFOSTERS SUNDAY EVENING MASS

The next Sunday evening mass will be on **1 October at 5.30pm**. The Mass includes music in a relaxed atmosphere, and is followed by the Cockfosters Parish Pub. Sunday evening masses are held on the first Sunday of each month.



ZOOM PRAYER GROUP

We have fantastic talks and testimonies every Saturday at 2.30pm. We hear of so many healings! Next speakers include Jeremy Jennings, Alisa Polkinthorne from Australia and Rev.Emmy Wilson. Newcomers most welcome.

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