

Christ the King Newsletter

Focus of the Week

WEEK OF PRAYER FOR CHRISTIAN UNITY

18-25 January is the annual week of prayer for Christian Unity. **There will be a service on Tuesday, 23 January at Christ the King at 7:30pm to which we have invited Christians from the churches in our area.** This year's theme is "Being Good Neighbors" and will feature Jo Collins and Mary Ward from our local Chickenshed Theatre as well as selections from the Rock musical.

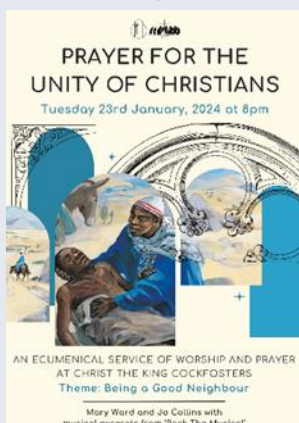
Join the Ecumenical Chorus!

Rock is a musical based on the life of St Peter. It was first performed in 1973 at the Parish of Christ the King and is being revived to celebrate Chickenshed's 50th Anniversary.

Performances will be 24 March (Palm Sunday) and 25 March.

Rehearsals begin at Christ the King, weekly from Friday 26 January 7.15-8.30pm.

If you are interested, please email joc@chickenshed.org.uk



Epiphany - the meaning of Christmas

Epiphany marks the end of the Christmas season. An epiphany is a moment of sudden and great revelation or realisation. On the church calendar it refers to the moment when the birth of Christ was made known to Gentiles with the Magi coming to honour the newborn child.

At one level we know very well the meaning of Christmas. It is the birth of Emmanuel – God with us, as foretold by the prophet Isaiah. But Epiphany is the moment when we can become aware of what that means in our daily lives. William Blake's poem The Divine Image uses four words to describe what his coming into the world means for us now – mercy, pity, peace, and love.

To Mercy, Pity, Peace, and Love
All pray in their distress;
And to these virtues of delight
Return their thankfulness.

For Mercy, Pity, Peace, and Love
Is God, our father dear,
And Mercy, Pity, Peace, and Love
Is Man, his child and care.

For Mercy has a human heart,
Pity a human face,
And Love, the human form divine,
And Peace, the human dress.

Then every man, of every clime,
That prays in his distress,
Prays to the human form divine,
Love, Mercy, Pity, Peace.

And all must love the human form,
In heathen, Turk, or Jew;
Where Mercy, Love, and Pity dwell
There God is dwelling too.



Deacon Ted Wood, ccn

Notices of the Week

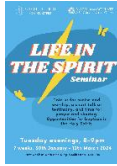
SUNDAY EVENING MASS

The next Sunday evening mass will be on
4 February at 5.30pm



LIFE IN THE SPIRIT SEMINAR

Tuesdays 8 – 9pm
30 January – 12 March 2024



Join us for praise and worship, a short talk or testimony and time for prayer and sharing. Opportunities for baptism in the Holy Spirit. This is in partnership with Mary Immaculate & St Gregory The Great Church, Barnet.

BAPTISM & CONFIRMATION FOR ADULTS

An opportunity to come together in a small group to learn more about the Catholic faith and prepare individuals to celebrate the Sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation, and Eucharist at Easter. For those

- interested in becoming Catholic
- baptised but not confirmed or received first communion
- want to refresh your knowledge and support those being received into the Church.

The RCIA program (Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults) will take place on **Thursday evenings, 7:30 to 9 pm beginning 25 January** and continue until Easter. To register speak with Deacon Ted or call the parish office and leave contact information.



BAPTISM PREPARATION CLASS (for parents wanting baptism for their children) is scheduled for **Sunday, 21 January at 10 am** (between the two Masses). To register speak with Deacon Ted or call the parish office and leave contact information.



READERS' ROTA

The rota for January/February 2024 is available to collect from the entrance hall.



APPLE JUICE FROM SCLERDER

For sale £5 per bottle or £50 for a box of 12.
All proceeds in support of the Green Abbey in Sclerder.



FUNERAL

The funeral mass for **MICHAEL McGURRIN** will be at 11.00am on **Friday, 2 February**.

Please pray for his soul.



CHRISTIAN MEDITATION GROUP

The group will recommence on Monday, 8 January after 11.00am mass.



CCS – NEW BEGINNINGS

13 January 2024 – 10am – 3pm

The gift of a new year provides an opportunity to pause and reflect – on the gifts (as well as the challenges) of what has been, and on the invitations and promises of what is still to come. Join us as we look back in thanksgiving and look forward with hope, remembering the words of the prophet 'I know the plans I have in mind for you, plans for peace, not disaster, reserving a future full of hope for you (Jeremiah 29:11).



To register please email cockfosterscs@rcdow.org.uk

VALENTINE'S WEEKEND



Saturday 10 February – Sunday 11 February
Storrington Priory, PH20 4LH

Sp end some quality time together over Valentine's weekend Cana Valentine's Weekend offers couples a chance to strengthen and enrich their marriage or long-term relationship.

Regardless of denomination or strength of your faith, this is a time when you can experience the God who wants to strengthen, renew, and deepen your love for each other.



RSVP to reserve your spot! Limited spaces available.

canaukinfo@gmail.com

SUNDAY READINGS – YEAR B

THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

Is. 60:1-6

Ps.71

Eph 3:2-3. 5-6.

Mt. 2:1-12



SECOND SUNDAY ORDINARY TIME

1 Sm 3:3-10. 19

Ps. 39

1 Cor 6:13-15. 17-20.

Jn 1:35-42

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

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