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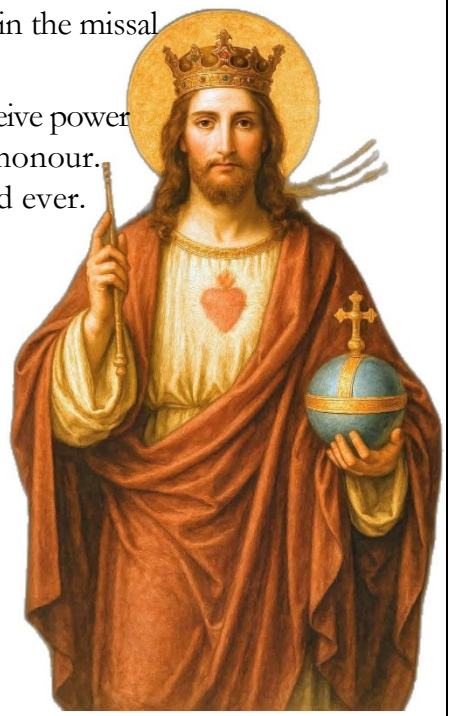
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Christ the King

Prayers and Readings p.813 in the missal



Entrance antiphon:
How worthy is the Lamb who was slain, to receive power and divinity, and wisdom and strength and honour. To him belong glory and power for ever and ever.

Responsorial Psalm:
The LORD is my shepherd;
there is nothing I shall want.

Gospel Acclamation:
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord! Blessed is the coming kingdom of our father David!

Eucharistic Prayer:
Eucharistic Prayer III (5.30pm & 8 am).
Eucharistic Prayer I (10 am).

Communion Antiphon
The Lord sits as King for ever. The Lord will bless his people with peace.

Readings:
Ezekiel 34:11-17. Psalm 23 (22). 1 Cor 15:20-26. Matthew 25:31-46.

Marian Antiphon (at the end of every Sunday Mass)
Salve Regina – please see the Marian Antiphon prayer cards.

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Sunday 22nd November 2026
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Saturday 21st		1730	*Gwen & Jim Talbot* ✠
Sunday 22nd		0800	*Pro Populo*
		1000	*Dalton Family* ✠
Monday 23rd	Feria	No Mass	
Tuesday 24th	Ss Andrew Dung-lac & Companions	1000	
Wednesday 25th	Feria	1830	*Pereira family* ✠
Thursday 26th	Feria	1830	*Greg Warwick* ✠
Friday 27th	Feria	1000	

First Sunday of Advent

Saturday 28th	1600	Confessions
	1730	
Sunday 29th	0800	*Pro Populo*
	1000	*Bednarczyk family`*

Confessions Saturday at 4 pm, or ***by appointment after any Mass***. *Confession is one of the greatest gifts of the Church. If you are at all anxious about Confession, please speak to Fr Andrew first.*

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Dates for your diary

26th November:	Learning about the Faith (7pm in Hall)
28th November:	Advent Day of Recollection (10am – 3pm in Hall)
5th December:	St Nicholas Fair (10am – 2pm in Hall)
10th December:	Learning about the Faith (7pm in Hall)

Prayer Requests We pray for the sick: Fatima Anja, Emanuel Calenti, Patricia & Vittorio Cocuccio, Alicya Frydryk, Hazel Fullbrook, Maureen Huggett, Ann Jones, Theresa Lescott, Piotr Majewski, Sheila Sheppard, Madeline Tanner, and Clive Townsend. We remember in our prayers those who have died recently, and their families and friends: Luna Freitas, Ann Griffin, Fr Dick Healey, Shirley Hewett, Albert Huggett, Ann Jones, Greg Warwick and Mirella Zubacz.

◦ **Financial support of the Church**. Last week's collection £336 plus £95 in Gift Aid. Thank you for supporting the Lord and His Church!

◦ **Gift aid**. Please consider Gift Aiding your donations. For every £1 you donate to the parish each week, we can reclaim 25p from the taxman. It is a very big help for the parish, and doesn't cost you anything!

◦ **Donating by card.** In the church porch we now have a **card-reader** and tablet so that donations can be made via card. You can make your weekly offering, give donations for Mass intentions or candles. You can also pay for the **26 club** and for the **parish history book**.

◦ This weekend Fr Andrew is with the **Permanent Deacon students** for their formation weekend. A big thank you to **Fr Peter Brett** for celebrating Mass for us on Saturday evening. Fr Andrew will be driving back very early on Sunday to celebrate the Sunday Masses!

◦ **Next weekend** on **Saturday 28th November** Fr Andrew will be leading an **Advent Day of Recollection** to prepare ourselves for the great season of Advent: **10am to 3pm in the Hall**. There will be three talks and discussions, Mass, and a soup lunch available.

◦ This weekend we begin **First Holy Communion** classes, and our children will receive their books and begin their preparation for the Sacrament. Please pray for the children as they begin their classes.

◦ **Learning about the faith.** Our evening classes for anyone who is interested in becoming a Catholic, and for any existing Catholics who would like to know more about their faith, take place **fortnightly on Thursday evenings**. The next class is **Thursday November 26th** at **7pm** in the Hall, and the subject is 'The person of Jesus Christ'.

◦ **St Nicholas Fair**. We are holding a **St Nicholas Fair** on **Saturday 5th December from 10 am to 2 pm** in the Hall. We are asking for four things in particular: 1. donations of bottles for the bottle stall, 2. cakes for the cake stall; 3. any good items for a raffle (sorry no books, clothes or bric-a-bric); and 4. your support on the day! Donations can be brought to the Hall on Thursday 3rd or Friday 4th December, or brought to the church in advance.

◦ **Parish History.** In the Hall you can now see an **exhibition of parish history**, marking our jubilee year - please do go and have a look. You can also buy copies of Roger Hall's **History of the Parish**, price £5. Thank you to Roger for all the work he has devoted to this project.

Prayer to Christ the King

O Jesus Christ, I acknowledge you as universal King. All that has been made has been created for You. Exercise over me all Your sovereign rights. I renew my Baptismal Vows; I renounce Satan, his pomps and his works; I promise to lead a truly Christian life. In particular I commit myself to labour, to the best of my ability, for the triumph of the rights of God and of Your Holy Church. Divine Heart of Jesus, I offer You my poor services, so that all hearts may acknowledge Your sacred kingship, and that the Kingdom of Your Peace may be firmly established throughout the whole world. Amen.