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Christ, the Universal King

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Sunday Reflection – The last Sunday of the Church’s Liturgical Year is the Feast of “Christ, the King”. We think of the ‘end time’ and the judgement which follows. The Book of Daniel presents us with the vision of the Son of man coming with dominion over all peoples. Christians see this as a reverence to Christ the King. The ‘son of man’ is seen as a title for the future redeemer. The Gospel is taken from the Passion narrative of John. Pilate the Roman Governor of Judea is in Jerusalem for the Passover Feast with his garrison at this potentially dangerous time to quell any rebellion. Pilate is presented with Jesus “the King of the Jews”. He is anxious and wants to avoid trouble, so he interviews Jesus. He knows in his heart that Jesus is innocent, but fearful of the judgement of Caesar and of the Jewish crowd, he ends up in a compromising position. Jesus responds “Mine is not a kingdom of this world”; His kingship will not endanger national security but is in the area of witnessing to the truth, which is something Pilate is finding very difficult! Jesus is indeed King of God’s kingdom which is not of this world, but is all about the values of truth, love, forgiveness, justice and peace, As Jesus so clearly states: “I was born To bear witness to the truth; and all who are on the side of truth listen to my voice”. That is precisely how we all can enter the kingdom of God, the kingdom that has Christ as its King.

First Holy Communion – 4th Session will be on this Sunday 25th Nov at an earlier start time of 8.30am. Parents and children are asked to be on time for the lesson.

Baptismal Course – The 2nd and final session will be on Tuesday 27th Nov at 7.30pm in the Founders Room.

Remembrance Service – In the month of November, we always remember our beloved Holy Souls each day at Mass. We have a Special Remembrance Service on tomorrow, Monday 26th November at 6.30pm Mass to remember our dear relatives who have died in the past year. All are welcome to attend, especially Family members.

Christmas Bazaar – Which takes place on Saturday next 1st December. We are excited at all the wonderful stalls that will be available on the day such as hot and cold food, mulled wine, children’s tombola, wheel of fortune, Santa’s grotto, Nativity dress up photos and donkey rides. One week to go to support us by donating any of the following items; wine and spirits, chocolates and biscuits, new and unopened toiletries/ perfumes/ make up, bric a brac (good condition). These can be left in the boxes in the colonnade. Raffle tickets are still available from the Parish office and colonnade. Please return ticket stubs and monies to the Parish Office by Friday 30th November.

Investiture of New Altar Servers – On Friday 14th December at 6.30pm Mass. Parents and new Servers are requested to attend.

Confirmation 2019 Date – Is set for Sunday 2nd June at 12.15pm Mass. Details of Programme, Commencement and Registration will be announced soon.

Parish Office Opening Hrs

Mon - Fri 9am to 5pm

(Lunch Hour 1.30pm - 2.30pm)

Mass Times

Vigil Mass: Sat 6.30pm

Sunday 8.30am

10am

(Spanish) 11.15am

12.15pm

7pm

Mon - Sat 10am

6.30pm

Sacrament of Confession

Mon - Fri 6.15 - 6.30pm

Saturday 10.45 - 11.15am

6.00 - 6.30pm

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Mon - Fri 10.30 am - 11.15am

Rosary – Wednesdays 10.30am, followed by Tea/Coffee in the Founders Room.

Legion of Mary – Every Tuesday at 7pm in the Library. New members are welcome!

Charismatic Prayer Group: Is on Thursdays at 11am in the Founders’ Room.

Saints Days

Fri 30th – St Andrew

Flower Donations – For the weekly floral displays in our Church are greatly appreciated.