



**‘I am the vine, you are the branches. Whoever remains in me, with me in him, bears fruit in plenty; for cut off from me you can do nothing.’
(John 15)**

CATHOLICISM

‘I believe in One, Holy, Catholic & Apostolic Church’



This Sunday during our 10am Mass, we will be welcoming and receiving April Liversage into full communion with the Church. This is a joyous moment for April, her family and indeed the Church itself.
Please do keep April in your prayers.

ROMAN CATHOLIC PARISH OF CHRIST THE KING



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Saturday 27th April

11am: Holy Hour / 12pm Holy Mass (*Clergy's Intentions*)

6pm Vigil Mass of Fifth Sunday of Easter (*Geoff Swain*)

FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER 28th April:

10am Holy Mass (*All Parishioners*)

6pm: Holy Mass (*Minnie Vinnies*)

Monday 29th April: St Catherine of Sienna, Virgin & Doctor of the Church

DAY OF SPECIAL PRAYER FOR EUROPE

9am: Rosary / 9.30am: Holy Mass (*George Haines RIP*)

2pm: Funeral Service for Alan Raisbeck RIP

Tuesday 30th April: St Pius V, Pope & Religious

DAY OF SPECIAL PRAYER FOR SURVIVORS OF SEXUAL ABUSE

9am Holy Rosary/9.30am Holy Mass (*Maureen Lewis RIP*) 12pm Regina Caeli

Wednesday 1st May: St Joseph the Worker: DAY OF PRAYER FOR HUMAN WORK

9am Rosary/9.30am: Holy Mass (*Cedric Frodsham Ann RIP*) 12pm Regina Caeli

Thursday 2nd May: St Athanasius, Bishop & Doctor of the Church

9am: Rosary / 9.30am: Holy Mass (*Patrick Moore RIP*) 12pm Regina Caeli

Friday 3rd May: Ss Philip & James, Apostles & Martyrs

9am Rosary / 9.30am: Holy Mass (*Joan Thomas RIP*) 12pm Regina Caeli

Saturday 4th May: English Martyrs

11am: Holy Hour / 12pm Holy Mass (*Clergy's Intentions*)

6pm Vigil Mass of Sixth Sunday of Easter (*All Parishioners*)

SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER 5th May

10am Holy Mass (*Helen Westerside RIP*)

12.30pm: Baptism of Lewis Thomas 6pm: Holy Mass (*Joe Farnin*)

CONFESSION is available half an hour before each Vigil & Sunday Mass, during Saturday Morning Holy Hour and upon request.

WEDDINGS & BAPTISMS may be discussed with the clergy following the Vigil and Sunday Morning Masses or by appointment. Most days the church will be open approx. 8.30am and will remain open until after the Angelus is prayed at 12pm and later whenever possible.

RECEPTION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT AT HOLY MASS

We ask that all should receive the 'Body of Christ' with the greatest reverence for the Sacrament. If you are receiving on the hand, please do not walk away from the minister before placing the host in your mouth.

OUTREACH PARISH LUNCH CLUB: Friday 3rd May 12 to 1.30pm

Food, refreshments and good company, all free but donations support our 'Parish Outreach Ministry.' *All are welcome to come along.*

PARISH JUNIOR YOUTH CLUB: We are having a short break while the Confirmation preparation sessions are running. We will give a restart date as soon as we have one.

ASSISI PILGRIMAGE Thanks to all who joined us for the pre-pilgrimage social gathering. We now very much look forward to the pilgrimage itself. Please be assured that every member of our parish family will be remembered in our prayers and Masses during our time in Assisi.

There will be a 'Pilgrimage Departure Mass' at 9am on the morning of our departure, all are welcome to attend.

Also, please note that the coach to take us to Manchester Airport departs at 10.00am prompt from Christ the King church.

LOURDES PILGRIMAGE: July 2024:

For those joining us on this pilgrimage, please note that work is ongoing to progress the arrangements. Further information will be made available, and a meeting arranged in due course.

PARISH OUTREACH MINISTRY

You can make donations of cash or shopping vouchers to the parish office or even via the DONA station in church. Your continued generosity helps us to reach out to and support so many, which has particularly been needed over the winter months.

Thank you for your support.

If you would benefit from our 'Outreach Ministry' or know of anyone who would, please let us know by speaking to the clergy or contacting the parish office.

FOOD BANK News :The Wirral food bank urgently need tinned fish, tinned meat, tinned vegetables, UHT milk, tinned rice pudding, tinned fruit, tinned tomatoes, tinned potatoes, deodorant, & shampoo. They have plenty of beans & tea. Please help them to supply the needy if you can.

RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION FOR ADULTS (RCIA)

Date of Next Meeting to be Announced.

For anyone interested in joining the Church or simply exploring their Catholic faith further, regular **Wednesdays at 6.30-7.30pm** in the parish meeting room. For further information, details etc, please contact the RCIA Team: Fr Humphrey via the parish office on 0151 208 0663 OR rebecca_long2010@yahoo.co.uk.

SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION AT CHRIST THE KING 7th June 2024

Our first session for interested Confirmation candidates took place in the Parish Hall on **Friday 26th April**. If you are, or know, young parishioners from Year 9 upwards, who might wish to receive the Sacrament please contact the parish office **ASAP** on 0151 208 0663 or christthekingclergy@outlook.com to register your interest

LADIES GROUP Our next meeting is our AGM and will be held on Thursday 9th May commencing at 7.30. Doors open 7.15pm.

This is probably our most important meeting of the year when we will discuss the future of the club. A light finger buffet will be provided with a glass of wine.

BEETLE DRIVE Many thanks to our school Mini Vinnies and Faith Leaders for organising the recent Beetle Drive for Parishioners held in the parish hall. This was a great success, and a good number was in attendance.

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK & BEREAVED: Please pray for those suffering any illness at this time, especially: Susan Nicholson, Veronica Rossi, Jack Sheabills and Eileen Bennett. Also, those struggling with the heavy cross of bereavement.

RECENTLY DECEASED: Colette Hannaway and Alan Raisbeck RIP

Funeral Service for Alan Raisbeck – 2pm Monday 29th April

Requiem Mass for Colette Hannaway – 10am Monday 20th May

RED BOXES : Christ the King raised £2828.65 in 2023, including direct donations and Gift Aid. In these challenging times, 'Missio' is very grateful for this support. You are part of a worldwide network of people supporting missionaries overseas through prayer and financial assistance. Thank you! **RED BOX HOLDERS** Do you find that you no longer use cash as much, so you have no coins to save in the Red Box? Would you consider taking out a Direct Debit instead? You can do this online at missio.org.uk. Let me know if you do this, so you will not be called on this autumn when the Red Boxes are emptied. Trish Dodd 343 0746.

50/50 CLUB: Many thanks to everyone who has renewed their membership of this vital fundraiser for our Parish Hall. Anyone still wishing to continue member can still do so before we arrange the date of our first draw. *You've got to be in it to win it!*

DIGITAL / CONTACTLESS GIVING: This fixed terminal allowing contactless donations is in place at the rear of the church.

This weekend there will be a retiring collection in aid of 'LEPRA' as they mark 100 years of fighting against the curable disease of leprosy.

LAST WEEK'S OFFERINGS AT MASS: £936.86 / February Standing Orders £947.00.

Many Thanks for your continued support.

As we continue our journey through the joy of the season of Easter, we extend our prayers and every good wish for you all and for your families.

Fr Louis, Fr Humphrey & Deacon Tony