



**GROWING IN YOUR FAITH & RCIA
Parish Programme 2024 – 2025**

All are welcome to a series of talks through which we desire to grow in knowledge and love of God and so be renewed in His image and likeness

(The sessions are scheduled for Wednesday evenings from 6:30 – 7:30 in the parish room)
First Session: Wednesday 4th December, 1st Week of Advent
For more details, please see the information at the back of church

CHRISTMAS MASS TIMES 2024

TUESDAY 24th DECEMBER

5pm: First Vigil Mass of Christmas
8pm Vigil Mass of Christmas

(Followed by refreshments in parish hall)

WEDNESDAY 25th DECEMBER

10am: Mass of Christmas Day

THURSDAY 26th DECEMBER

10am Mass Feast of St Stephen (Deacon & Martyr)

FRIDAY 27th DECEMBER

10am Mass Feast of St John (Apostle & Martyr)

SATURDAY 28th DECEMBER

11am Holy Hour / 12pm Holy Mass Feast of The Holy Innocents

6pm: Vigil Mass of Feast of the Holy Family

SUNDAY 29th DECEMBER

10am Holy Mass - Feast of the Holy Family

6pm Holy Mass - Feast of the Holy Family

MONDAY 30th DECEMBER (Sixth Day Octave of Christmas)

10am Holy Mass

TUESDAY 31st DECEMBER (Seventh Day Octave of Christmas)

10am Holy Mass

WEDNESDAY 1st JANUARY 2025: Solemnity of Mary Mother of God

12pm: Holy Mass

ROMAN CATHOLIC PARISH OF CHRIST THE KING



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Saturday 23rd November: St Clement I, Pope & Martyr / St Columban, Abbot / Blessed Virgin Mary on Saturday

11am Holy Hour / 12noon Holy Mass (Colette & deceased of the Hannaway family)

6pm VIGIL: OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE (All Parishioners)

Sunday 24th November: OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE

WORLD DAY OF PRAYER FOR YOUNG PEOPLE

10.00am Holy Mass (Family Mass) (Geraldine Offord RIP) 6pm: Holy Mass (Dave S)

Monday 25th November: St Catherine of Alexandria, Virgin & Martyr

9am Rosary / 9.30am: Holy Mass (Patricia Harrop RIP) 12pm Angelus

Tuesday 26th November:

9am Rosary / 9.30am: Holy Mass (John Hunt/thanksgiving) 12pm Angelus

2pm : Funeral Service for Margaret Bott RIP

Wednesday 27th November:

9am Holy Rosary/9.30am: Holy Mass (Tom McGenity RIP) 12pm Angelus

Thursday 28th November:

9am Holy Rosary / 9.30am: Holy Mass - Class 4RL joining (Beryl Proctor RIP)
12pm Angelus

Friday 29th November:

9am Holy Rosary / 9.30am: Holy Mass

(Stella McGann/Healing – Jonathan Duffy RIP)

12pm Angelus

Saturday 30th November: BVM on Saturday / St Andrew Ap Patron of Scotland

11am Holy Hour / 12noon Holy Mass (Clergy Intentions)

6pm VIGIL: FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT YEAR C (Margaret O'Brien RIP)

Sunday 1st December: FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT YEAR C

10.00am Holy Mass (Kevin Hannigan) 6pm: Holy Mass (All Parishioners)

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 at approx. 8.30am and will remain open until after the Angelus is prayed at 12pm and later whenever possible.

MOBILE PHONES: Recently a number of liturgies have been disturbed by the sounds from phones. Please do switch off your mobile phones when entering the church.

OUTREACH PARISH CHRISTMAS LUNCH CLUB: Friday 6th December 12 to 1.30pm
Food, refreshments, and good company, all free but donations in support of our 'Parish Outreach Ministry' are much appreciated. **All are welcome.**

JUNIOR YOUTH CLUB: Next Junior Youth Club is on **Friday 29th November 6.45 – 8pm (New adult volunteers required)**

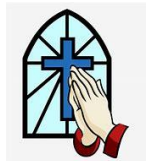


PARISH OUTREACH MINISTRY :

This Sunday and next Sunday 1st December: After 10am Mass there will be a cake sale and tombola in the hall to raise funds for the Christmas objectives of our parish outreach ministry.

We thank you for your continued support & donations which are very important and gratefully received. *If you require some assistance or know someone who does, please contact the Parish Office.– we can provide food vouchers or support you in purchasing school uniform etc.*

FOODBANK NEWS: *Thank you for your great generosity once more. The total of 22 kg of food, £130 in cash & an Aldi food voucher taken to the main Food Bank Distribution Centre. Their volunteers were delighted & I'm sure many people who are struggling will be very grateful too.*



PRAYERS FOR THE SICK & BEREAVED:

Please pray for those suffering any illness at this time, especially Pauline Williams, Terry Parkin, Denis Sullivan, Mary Paton, Kevin Hannigan & Julia Hastewell.

We also pray for those struggling with the heavy cross of bereavement.

PRAYERS FOR FAITHFUL DEPARTED:

During this month of November, please do place the names of departed loved ones in the basket which is placed before the altar. (Paper & pens available in the church porch)

RECENTLY DECEASED: **Emily Farley, Ann Boylan, Anne Owen, Margaret Bott, Hilda May McInerney, Patricia Harrop RIP**

Margaret Bott: Funeral Service at Christ the King 2pm Thurs 26th November

Hilda May McInerney: Service at Christ the King 1.30pm Wednesday 4th December

Ann Boylan : Funeral Service at Christ the King 12.30pm Thurs 5th December

Anne Owen: Funeral Service at Christ the King 10am Monday 9th December

Emily Farley: Requiem Mass at Christ the King 10am Wednesday 11th December

HOSPITAL VISITS: If you have a loved one in hospital and they require a clergy visit or Holy Communion, please make the hospital chaplaincy team aware through the ward staff. If they require the 'Sacrament of the Sick' in most cases the priest on the duty rota can be called out by the hospital to visit.

DIOCESAN VACANCIES: Also, Wirral Foodbank has a vacancy for a Warehouse Assistant, please see the notices at the back of the church for further details.

CHRISTMAS DINNER 2024

As part of our Parish Outreach Ministry, the parish clergy extend the usual invitation to anyone who would wish to join us for dinner on Christmas Day. If you wish to join us or know of anyone who would benefit from some company and a good meal on this Holy day, please contact the parish office or speak with one of the clergy team.

LADIES GROUP Christmas celebration evening on Thursday 12th December. This includes a buffet, raffle and a Christmas carol sing a long, the cost is £10 per person. If you would like to come along, please put £10 cash in an envelope, clearly marked with YOUR name and post through 10 Marten Ave. Tea and coffee will be provided but if you wish to bring your own alcoholic drinks please feel free to do so.

CHOIR REHEARSALS RESUMED: The Children's Choir rehearse at 3.15 – 4pm on Fridays during term-time and the Adult Choir rehearses at 12.30pm on Mondays. **All are welcome**

SVP TIME OF SPIRITUAL REFLECTION 1pm on Monday 2nd December

This will be lead by Deacon Tony at the SVP Centre, Grange Road Birkenhead. There is an open invitation, all are welcome.

SVP HEALING MASS WITH THE SACRAMENT OF THE SICK at 12 noon on Saturday 7th December

Followed by light refreshments in the Parish Hall. If you would like to attend but need help with transport, please speak to a member of the SVP or David Stewart on 334 7450. We will hold a 2nd Collection for the SVP the 7/8 December.

CHESHIRE POLICE CAROL SERVICE: Monday 2nd December 7.30pm

As Chaplain to the Cheshire Police, once again, Deacon Tony extends an invitation to any parishioners wishing to attend this annual service at Chester Cathedral.

BEETLE DRIVE Please join our school Mini Vinnies and Faith Leaders for a Beetle Drive for Parishioners on **Wednesday 27th November from 1:45** until 2:45 in the Parish Hall. If you can attend, please call the school office on 0151 334 4345 so that they can cater for numbers. Please advise them if you have any special dietary requirements. Everyone who goes remarks on what a fun event it is so it would be great to see you there.

CTK GIFT AID SCHEME Are you or your spouse a UK taxpayer and donate towards the upkeep of our church? If so, why not sign up to join our Gift Aid scheme whereby we can claim an extra 25% on top of your donation at no expense to yourself. Gift Aid Declaration forms are available at the back of church or from the parish office. Please complete them and return to the Parish Office. If you have any queries, please contact Brenda Frodsham on 334 1802. Thank you!

LAST WEEK'S OFFERINGS AT: £ 845.31 Thank you for your continued generosity and support towards the maintenance and mission of our parish and the Church.

During this month of November, we keep everyone in our prayers, especially our departed parishioners and loved ones.

Fr Louis, Fr Humphrey & Deacon Tony