

DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY AT CHRIST THE KING

The Divine Mercy devotions will take place this Sunday 27th April 2025, starting in the Parish Hall.

1.30pm – Arrivals in the Parish Hall 1.40pm – Introduction and Film

2.50pm – Blessing of the Divine Mercy Image in church
3.00pm – Divine Mercy Chaplet, Holy Hour and
Confessions

4.10pm – Divine Mercy Mass

All are welcome to attend



HIS HOLINESS POPE FRANCIS
DIED 21st APRIL 2025.
WE KEEP HIM IN OUR
PRAYERS

ETERNAL REST GRANT UNTO HIM O LORD AND LET PERPETUAL LIGHT SHINE UPON HIM, MAY HE REST IN PEACE. AMEN

ROMAN CATHOLIC PARISH OF CHRIST THE KING



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Saturday 26th April: SATURDAY OF THE EASTER OCTAVE

11am - 12pm: Holy Hour & Confessions / 12noon Holy Mass (Clergy Intentions)

6pm : VIGIL MASS OF THE SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER (Doreen Cullen)

Sunday 27th April: SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER / DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY

10.00am Holy Mass: (Pope Francis RIP)

1.30pm Arrivals, 1.40pm Film **3pm: Divine Mercy Holy Hour & Confessions 4.10pm: Holy Mass of Divine Mercy** (McGinlay Family – Healing)

Monday 28th April: St George - Martyr & Patron of England

9.00am Holy Rosary 9.30am Holy Mass (Melissa Callaghan) 12pm Regina Caeli

Tuesday 29th April: St Catherine of Sienna – Virgin & Doctor of the Church

9.00am Holy Rosary 9.30am Holy Mass (Peter Roberts) 12pm Regina Caeli

Wednesday 30th April: St Pius V - Pope & Religious

9.00am Holy Rosary 9.30am Holy Mass (Terry Parkin RIP) 12pm Regina Caeli

<u>Thursday 1st May:</u> St Joseph the Worker

9.00am Holy Rosary 9.30am Holy Mass

(Cedric Frodsham RIP & Pope Francis RIP) 12pm Regina Caeli

<u>Friday 2nd May</u>: St Athanasius – Bishop & Doctor of the Church

9.00am Holy Rosary 9.30am Holy Mass (Special Int DS) 12pm Regina Caeli

Saturday 3rd May: St Philip & James - Apostles

11am - 12pm: Holy Hour & Confessions / 12noon Holy Mass (Clergy Intentions)

6pm : VIGIL MASS OF THE THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER (Rosemary Larkin Intentions)

Sunday 4th May: THE THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

10.00am Holy Mass: (Michael Flannery RIP) 6.00pm: Holy Mass: (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 if possible.

POSTPONED CANONISATION OF BLESSED CARLO ACUTIS: Sunday 27th April

Due to the death of Pope Francis this has had to be postponed, we will share an update once a new date is arranged

PARISH RETREAT TO LORETO CONVENT IN LLANDUDNO

Monday 29th September to Thursday 2nd October 2025

Retreat Theme: Christ the King

This retreat is on a full-board basis costing £255.00 per person. Places and rooms will be limited so if you wish to join us early booking is recommended.

This retreat will offer us the opportunity for a prayerful and social time as we reflect on the centenary of the feast of Christ the King.

Last few places - Please contact the parish office for further information.

<u>PARISH OUTREACH MINISTRY:</u> In this parish ministry as we seek to offer help to those in our community in any kind of need, including in our school community. If you require some assistance or know someone that does, please contact the Parish Office OR speak with one of the clergy.

PARISH SCOTLAND TRIP: Monday 28th April – Friday 2nd May 2025

For those joining us, please note that the coach departs from CTK at 6am.

We also request, that, if possible, prior to departure, please make payment to the office for the lunch at Carfin Grotto (£12 per person)

This saves us collecting and handling cash whilst on the trip. – Thanks.

YOUTH CLUB: Resumes this **Friday 2**nd **May at 6.45pm** in the Parish Hall, all those in Year 2 and above most welcome.

FOODBANK NEWS: Many thanks for your continued support for the foodbank.

PARISH OUTREACH LUNCH CLUB: Friday 9th May 12pm to 1.30pm

All are welcome to come and enjoy some good food, hot drinks and company.

BAPTISM & CONFIRMATION: Please keep in your prayers all those recently baptised or received into the Catholic Church. Especially: Ian Biggs, Benjamin McNicholl, Angela Dunn & John Champney who received sacraments of reception here at Christ the King.

<u>PRAYERS FOR THE SICK & BEREAVED:</u> Please pray for those suffering any illness at this time, especially: Deena Parkin, Des O'Gorman, Nora Elliot, Paddy Gilligan, Christine Foster, Mary Patton, Kevin & Catherine Hannigan, Julia Hastewell and Louise. We also pray for those struggling with the heavy cross of bereavement.

RECENTLY DECEASED: His Holiness Pope Francis & Theresa Fung RIP

FUNERALS

Theresa Fung: Funeral Service 9.30am on Saturday 3rd May at Landican Crematorium

RIGHT TO LIFE AND ASSISTED SUICIDE BILL (Cards for posting at back of church)

Following on from last week's letter from the Bishops of England Wales, we urge you to contact your local Member of Parliament and urge them to vote against the progression of this frightening, poorly considered and immoral legislation.

<u>Justin.Madders.mp@parliament.uk</u> <u>Matthew.Patrick.mp@parliament.uk</u>

CHRISTMAS SHOE BOX APPEAL2025

Please continue to leave empty shoeboxes at the back of church. There will also be a box to receive donations such as small toys (used good condition MacDonalds toys are perfect) Would you like to join the Shoebox Team once a month in the Parish hall to help prepare gifts to fill the boxes to be sent to the poorest children in Eastern Europe this for Christmas? For more information contact Cath Hesketh 07910781031

DIOCESAN MARRIAGE MASS 2025 – Saturday 21st June 12 noon Are you celebrating a significant wedding anniversary this year? If you would like an invitation to attend this year's mass at at Holy Angels Church, Hale Barns, WA15 0HG please contact the parish office ASAP with your names, address and the anniversary being celebrated.

50/50 CLUB: The first 2 draws were made at Friday's Lunch Club. Congratulations to our winners **DRAW 1** 1st Prize: **No. 311** – Mary Warner,

2nd Prize **No. 60** - G O'Hare. **DRAW 2** 1st Prize: **No. 272** – Steve Jones, 2nd Prize **No.24** Judith Ferrante. <u>RENEWALS</u> It's not too late to join... If you use the Hall for any reason, please consider supporting our 50/50 Club and help to maintain this important parish facility. Forms available in the porch or the Parish Hall.

FINANCES OF THE PARISH - A message from our PP, Fr Louis

You will no doubt be aware that, like for everyone else, our costs to run all aspects of the church and parish life have increased. Currently, we have also had a drop-off in collection totals and donations. I understand that many are experiencing financial challenges, and I do not like raising the subject of money. However, as parish priest I hold responsibility for the financial wellbeing, future and sustainability of the parish. As such I ask those who can, to consider what you currently give, and where possible to increase your donation. Also, after Easter, I will conduct a financial review to identify any areas where costs can be reduced or income increased. **Thanks** – *Fr Louis*

LAST WEEK'S OFFERINGS AT MASS: £1523.64 / ELECTRONIC DONATIONS £155 2nd Collection for Holy Places £312.79

Thank you for your continued generosity and support towards the maintenance and mission of our Parish and the Church.

On Divine Mercy Sunday and as we journey through the Season of Easter together, we wish everyone a blessed Easter and keep all our parish family in prayer.

Fr Louis, Fr Humphrey & Deacon Tony