

FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME – YEAR A



INSTRUCTION ON THE ROMAN CATHOLIC FAITH PROPER RECEPTION OF THE MOST HOLY EUCHARIST

The heart of Catholic life is the Most Holy Eucharist, the source and summit of our faith (cf. Lumen Gentium, 11).

To receive Holy Communion is, therefore, to encounter the living God. It is a sacred act that unites the communicant not only with Christ, but with the Church and all her teachings. But this divine encounter requires proper preparation. One must first be in a state of grace, free from mortal sin. In modern society a present risk is to receive the Holy Eucharist whilst living in a partnership/union that is outside of sacramental marriage. (Marriage in the Catholic Church) The Catechism of the Catholic Church is clear: “Anyone who desires to receive Christ in Eucharistic communion must be in the state of grace”
Thus, regular confession is not simply for grave offenses—it *is the ordinary means by which God prepares the soul for extraordinary grace.*
(Catechism of the Catholic Church 1415; cf. 1 Cor 11:27-29).

SAFEGUARDING: We must ensure that all who need an enhanced DBS have one. If you completed one in the past but are not sure if it is still valid, then please contact Alex in the Parish Office or Clare Connor at clareconnor_dc@yahoo.co.uk. If you are unable to get to the office to complete your DBS, we will be holding a drop-in session at Christ the King following 11am mass on **Sunday 1st March**. Claire will verify identity documents and Alex can photocopy them ready to send to the Curial office for processing. If you can complete these forms before then and we can get them verified, then please don't wait for the drop in. Following recent guideline changes, **all volunteers** within the Diocese of Shrewsbury that don't need a DBS now need to complete a Volunteer Registration Form. Alex will be speaking to different groups about filling in these forms and will help you if required.

SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION AT CHRIST THE KING & ST MARY OF THE ANGELS

Bishop Mark will visit the parish on the evening of July 1st for a Confirmation Mass at Christ the King church. If you are in Year 8 upwards and wish to receive this sacrament, or if you are a parent, grandparent or family member of a young person who might be interested but attends a non-Catholic school, please contact the parish office. An eight-session programme will start Friday 1st May.

ROMAN CATHOLIC PARISHES OF CHRIST THE KING

ST SAVIOUR & ST MARY OF THE ANGELS

Parish Priest: Fr Louis Maggiore Assistant Priest: Fr Humphrey O'Connor
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Saturday 7th February:

11am Holy Hour & Confessions at **Christ the King**

12 noon Holy Mass at **Christ the King** (Clergy Intentions)

6pm: **VIGIL MASS OF FIFTH SUNDAY ORDINARY TIME** at **CTK** (Mrs W Kieran RIP)

Sunday 8th February: FIFTH SUNDAY ORDINARY TIME

9am Holy Mass: **St Mary of the Angels** (Stanley Family & Dot Garside RIP)

11am: Baptism of Aubrey Slack & Klay Morgan at St Mary of the Angels

11am **Holy Mass Christ the King** (Anthony Gorman RIP)

6pm **Holy Mass at Christ the King** (All Parishioners)



Monday 9th February:

9.00am Holy Rosary / 9.30am Holy Mass at **CTK** (Bart Edmunson RIP)

Tuesday 10th February: St Scholastica - Virgin

9am Holy Rosary / 9.30am Holy Mass: **SMoTA** (Catherine Hughes RIP)

Wednesday 11th February: **Our Lady of Lourdes** (Day of prayer for the sick)

Pray for Bishop Mark on his Anniversary of Ordination to Priesthood 1984

9.00am Rosary / 9.30am: Holy Mass at **CTK** (Valerie Jones & Wladyslawa Williams RIP)

Thursday 12th February:

9.00am Holy Rosary / 9.30am: Holy Mass at **SMoTA** (Private Intention)

Friday 13th February:

11.30am: Holy Mass at **Christ the King** (Kathleen Hughes RIP)

Saturday 14th February: Saints - Cyril & Methodius – Bishops

Special Day of Prayer for Europe

11am Holy Hour & Confessions at **Christ the King**

12 noon Holy Mass at **Christ the King** (Clergy Intentions)

6pm: **VIGIL MASS OF SIXTH SUNDAY ORDINARY TIME** at **CTK** (Nigel Richard)

Sunday 15th February: SIXTH SUNDAY ORDINARY TIME

DAY OF PRAYER FOR THE UNEMPLOYED

9am Holy Mass: **St Mary of the Angels** (Rosemary McDowell RIP)

11am **Holy Mass Christ the King** (All Parishioners)

1pm: Baptism of Alanna Beaver & Maggie O'Brien at **Christ the King**

6pm Holy Mass at **Christ the King** (Arthur Leek RIP)

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

GROWING IN YOUR FAITH & RCIA: Tuesday 10th February from 6:30 – 7:30pm
In the **CTK** Meeting Room. If you're looking to explore the Catholic faith in greater depth, this is the session for you. All are invited.

COMBINED PARISHES ST CARLO ACUTIS JUNIOR YOUTH CLUB
Meet again on Wednesday 11th February 6.30-8pm at Stanley Hall (**SMoTA**)

PARISH LUNCH CLUB: 12 - 1:30pm on Every other Friday in CTK Parish Hall
Next Gathering this Friday 20th February 2026

All are welcome for some excellent food, good company and fellowship.
For 2026 new volunteers to assist in this ministry of catering, serving and fellowship are required and welcomed. **For more information, please speak to the parish office.**

JOINT PARISH OUTREACH MINISTRY:

In this parish ministry we seek to offer help to those in our community who are in any kind of need. This now benefits people across our larger parish area. We invite donations from across our joint parishes and will offer support to all in need.

If you require some assistance or know someone that does, please contact the Parish Office OR speak with one of the clergy. Many thanks for your support.

Donations can be made as follows: Cash in envelopes marked 'Parish Outreach.'

Cheques made payable to: SRCDT CTK Parish Outreach

Direct Bank Transfers to Account No 62699460 Sort Code: 30-15-52

CHILDREN'S LITURGY AT ST MARY OF THE ANGELS : (9am Sunday Masses)

This will also form a part of our First Sacraments Programme for **SMoTA**.
Thanks to all supporting this ministry and the ministry at Christ the King church.

LENT LUNCH There will be an ecumenical Lent Lunch in the Stanley Hall at St Mary of the Angels on **Saturday 28th February**. Please come along at any time between **12 noon and 2pm** for a bowl of soup, bread and cheese, a cup of tea or coffee and a chat with friends. Cost - £5, with proceeds going to CAFOD.

LADIES GROUP Thursday 12th February in the **CTK** Parish Hall. We are holding a Dutch auction with some exciting prizes, raising funds for Wirral Hospice St John's. The doors open at 7.00pm for a 7:30pm start. Please bring along some loose change.

MARRIAGE WEEK 7th - 14th February 2026 The Director for Marriage and Family Life Vocation is seeking to build a team of volunteers to support this vital ministry in the Diocese. If you would like to volunteer please contact

Jane Deegan: jane.deegan@dioceseofshrewsbury.org

THE DIOCESAN MASS FOR MARRIAGE Bishop Mark will be celebrating the Mass on **Saturday 13th June** at 12 noon at Saint Columba's, Chester. All parishioners celebrating a significant marriage anniversary can apply for an invitation from the Bishop's Office via their Parish Secretary.

ECUMENICAL LENT HOUSE GROUPS: Starting the week beginning **Monday 23rd February**. If you are interested, please put your name on the list at the back of Church, also please see full details on poster at the back of church or by contacting Philip or Helen Mayles (0151 327 7196 or maylesph@gmail.com)

ECUMENICAL LENT TALKS IN BROMBOROUGH METHODIST CHURCH: 7.30pm on Wednesdays, starting 25th Feb. please see full details on poster at the back of church

DO YOU HAVE YOUR DANCING SHOES READY? Michael Coyne and his accordion leading our fantastic parish **IRISH NIGHT**. Join us from 7:15pm on **Saturday 7th March** in the CTK Parish Hall for an evening of music and dancing. Bring your own drinks and nibbles as usual. Tickets £12 each and available via Mike Gallagher on 07931 183251. Always a sell-out so get your tickets early



SVP FUNDRAISER: Jane Hilton and Cath Hesketh are setting off on the Santiago de Compostela Camino in Spain on 11th April walking 100km over 5 days to raise funds for SVP. They are looking for sponsors and will also be having a sale and tombola stall in the parish centre after 11am mass on Sunday 15th February. Please support.

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK & BEREAVED: Louis Samrodia, John Warner, Des O'Gorman, John Halliday, Mavis O'Donell, Adrian McNeil, Jean Bowles, Frank & Nora Ellis, Christine Baumann, Neil Rowlands, Tony Lovelady, Mary Scarasbrick, Liza Rossi, Paddy Gilligan, Kevin & Catherine Hannigan, Julia Hastewell, Jill Seeley,

RECENTLY DECEASED: Jack Winward, Audrey Rooney, Dave Carolen
May they rest in peace

ARRANGED BAPTISMS:

Will be on Sundays **11am at SMoTA** or **1pm at CTK**

If you would like to arrange a Baptism, please speak to a member of the clergy team after weekend Masses or by appointment.

THANK YOU FOR A GENEROUS DONATION: On behalf of the parish family, I wish to extend a sincere thanks to a parishioner at Christ the King who recently made a very kind donation of **£5000.00 for parish funds**. This is a great support at a time when costs are increasingly difficult to meet. **Fr Louis**

50/50 CLUB: Thank you to those who have supported the 50/50 club this past year as this is such an important fundraiser for our maintenance of our Parish Hall.

LAST WEEK'S OFFERINGS AT CTK £911.59 / ELECTRONIC DONATIONS £90

LAST WEEK'S OFFERINGS AT St Mary of The Angels: £455.73

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

We keep all our parish family in our prayers, wishing you every blessing. Fr Louis, Fr Humphrey & Deacon Tony.