

## THE CATHOLIC CHURCH OF OUR LADY OF THE ASSUMPTION FOSTER AVENUE, BEESTON,

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TIMES OF MASSES AND OTHER SERVICES: Week Commencing 20th November 2016

## Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

THIRTY - FOURTH WEEK IN ORDINARY TIME: 20th - 26th November 2016 (Weekday Cycle II / Psalter Week 2)

Saturday 19 <sup>th</sup> November: Weekday Feria		PARISH FINANCES		
10:00 am: Mass; NO M	Private Intention  ORNING CONFESSIONS	12 <sup>th</sup> / 13 <sup>th</sup> November 2016		
Saturday 19th November:	Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe (Solemnity)	Envelopes:		
5:00 pm: Confession	ns	Loose Plate:		
5:30 pm: Mass;	Jack Twomey RIP	Standing Orders:		
Sunday 20th November:	Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe (Solemnity)	TOTAL:		
9:00 am: Mass;	Miria Silvi RIP	Chad:		
Monday 21st November:	The Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary	Intercare:		
9:00 am: Mass;	Holy Souls (November Dead)	SVP:		
Tuesday 22 <sup>nd</sup> November: 12:30 pm: Confession 1:00 pm: Mass;	St Cecilia, Virgin & Martyr (memoria) ns Holy Souls (November Dead)	Thank you for your continued generosity and support of the Parish.		
Wednesday 23 <sup>rd</sup> November:	Weekday Feria	THE SACRAMENT OF		
7:00 pm: Mass;	Holy Souls (November Dead)	<u>BAPTISM</u> Next weekend we welcome into our  Parish Community  Oliver Charles Michael		
Thursday 24th November:	St Andrew Dung – Lac, Priest & Companions, Martyrs (memoria)			
9:00 am: Mass;	Holy Souls (November Dead)	Le Roux		
Friday 25th November:	Weekday Feria	who will receive the Sacrament of		
12:30 pm: Confession	ns	Baptism on		
1:00 pm: Mass;	Holy Souls (November Dead)	Saturday 26 <sup>th</sup> November 2016. We pray for him and his parents, <b>BjØrn</b>		
Saturday 26th November:	Weekday Feria	and <i>Elizabeth</i> on this happy occasion.		
NO MORNING MASS  NO MORNING CONFESSIONS  2:00 pm: Baptism; Oliver Charles Michael Le Roux		Your Prayers are requested for those who are sick:		
2:00 pm: Baptism;		Isobel Alana Barnes, Meg Bailey,		
Saturday 26th November: 5:00 pm: Confession	<u>Fírst Sunday of Advent (Year A).</u>	Marica Borsos, Pat Constable, Betty Cockrill, Rosetta Coronata, David		
5:30 pm: Mass;	Betty Granville RIP	Fox, Audrey Mc Coy, Bernadette Retallick, Mary Staley and John Webster.		
Sunday 27th November:	<u>Fírst Sunday of Advent (Year A).</u>			
0.00 1/10.00	Haly Cayla (Navambar Daad)	Webster.		

Holy Souls (November Dead)

9:00 am: Mass;

ROTAS:	5.30 pm			9.00 am
Welcomers:			K Orfor	d – Perkins & M Castor
Next Week:			J Lowe & D Wilson	
Readers:	A Simmons		S Grant	
Next Week:	P Hubberstey		S O' Brien	
Offertory:	M Sharp & S Spowage		D & D Wilson	
Next Week:	M Brown & S Mills		M Ferrara & N Iacovitti	
Coffee:	J Powell & M Calladine	N	lext Week:	N Burrows & M Walton
Cashiers:	J Walton	N	lext Week:	A Simmons
Flowers:	Kay & Eve	N	lext Week:	Shirley, Margaret & Sue
Cleaning:	Team Agius	N	lext Week:	Team Begley
Brasses:	K Bennett	N	lext Week:	E Rodrigues

**POOR CLARES:** The sisters send their sincere thanks for all the donations received from the parish this week. The next visit will be  $28^{th}$  November 2016. – Díane Wilson.

FAIR TRADE SALE: Many thanks to everyone who supported the Fair Trade sale last weekend. The next sale will be the weekend  $3^{rd}/4^{th}$  December 2016 when there will be a chance to stock up on last minute Christmas treats. All proceeds from the sale of fairly traded goods in our parish go to Mary's Meals which is a charity helping to feed third world schoolchildren. Information about Mary's Meals can be found on the Fair Trade Notice board at the back of Church or you can visit the website: www.marysmeals.org.uk for further information.

**MISSIO:** The 2017 MISSIO Calendar has arrived and is in the porch for Red Box holders to help themselves to. If you have a Red Box could you bring it in to be emptied ready for the year end totals and if you are a UK tax payer and have a Red Box would you let me know so that we can gift aid your donations. Many thanks – **Diane Wilson** (0115 917 6697).

<u>CHRISTMAS BAZAAR:</u> The Bazaar Committee would like to thank anyone who has helped with this year's bazaar in any way. Details will be given in next week's newsletter. Many thanks – *THE BAZAAR COMMITTEE*.

SENIOR CITIZENS LUNCH CLUB: This *Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> November 2016* at 1:00 pm. Date for your diary – the Christmas Lunch Club will be on *Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> December 2016* at 1:00pm. For tickets please contact Stella on 0115 925 5140

**RCIA PROGRAMME:** Many thanks to all who come along on Wednesday for our continuation of Catholicism by Fr Robert Barron. We will continue with the next chapter (5 of 10) on *Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> November 2016* at 7:30 pm in the Parish Hall. The topic this week is entitled, "*The Indispensable Men: Peter, Paul and The Missionary Adventure.*" All are welcome and if you have missed the series so far its still not to late to come along.

**NOVEMBER DEAD:** Our Novena (Nine Days) of Masses for the Holy Souls will begin **THIS Monday**, 21<sup>st</sup> **November** 2016. Each day one Mass will be offered for the general intention of the Holy Souls and specifically for all those whose names we have placed upon the altar. All names will be placed on the Altar for the celebration of these Masses and we will continue to remember them at all the Masses throughout the month of November; both before and after the Novena. All donations in the envelopes will be taken out at the end of the month and further Masses will be offered throughout the year for all the deceased members of our Parish and their families and friends.

<u>THE BLESSING OF GRAVES:</u> I will be at Chilwell Cemetery, Field Lane, at 2:00 pm <u>THIS</u> Sunday, 20<sup>th</sup> November 2016 to hold a short service for family and friends of our Parishioners who have gone to the Lord. Everyone is welcome to attend to pray for the deceased members of our Parish.

<u>CAKE SALE:</u> after Mass <u>THIS</u> Sunday, 20<sup>th</sup> November 2016. All profits will go to help with the Becket Lourdes Pilgrimage Fund, which helps our young people to go to Lourdes with the Diocesan Pilgrimage in 2017.

## OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, UNIVERSAL KING: The Paradox of Christ's Kingship

We are gazing at the pivotal moment of human history: Jesus Christ being crucified on the hill of Calvary. From one perspective, it is a disastrous event. It shows mankind rejecting and destroying its Creator, Saviour and God. And yet, today is the day when the whole Church, throughout the entire world, celebrates Christ's Universal Kingship. Aren't kings supposed to be powerful? Aren't kings supposed to be successful? Aren't kings supposed to be victorious? So why are we staring at a dying, helpless man hanging from a cross? Because the Cross is our King's throne – Christ reigns not from velvet – covered, diamond – encrusted, gold – plated seats, like passing earthly kings, rather, He reigns from the Cross. How does this work? How can this sign of utter defeat also be the sign of our King's everlasting victory? This is what Pope St John Paul called the "paradox" of Christ's Kingship. Christ's Kingdom begins in this world, but it is not of this world. It begins in the hearts of Christians like us, His followers, who believe in Him and obey Him. The Church and the saints are living signs of this Kingdom, as buds in springtime are signs of summer. And so, since His Kingdom transcends this world, it makes sense that Christ's throne is different from earthly thrones. Christ's Kingdom is built on the unconquerable power of God's unconditional love for each one of us. On the Cross Jesus reveals that love by suffering and dying for our salvation, even while we were still sinners. In the Resurrection, He will reveal that unconquerable power. And that is why our King reigns from such a throne. In the words of Pope St John Paul: "If it is assessed according to the criteria of this world, Jesus' kingship can appear 'paradoxical.' Indeed, the power He exercises does not fit into earthly logic. On the contrary, His is the power of love and service that requires the gratuitous gift of self and the consistent witness to the truth (John 18<sup>37</sup>)."

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