

St. Bede's Parish Chadwell Heath

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Christ the King

First reading - Ezekiel 34:11-12,15-17 - The Lord will judge between sheep and sheep Responsorial Psalm - Psalm 22(23):1-3a,5-6 - The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want.

Second reading - 1 Corinthians 15:20-26,28 - Christ will hand over the kingdom to God the Father; so that God may be all in all

Gospel Acclamation - Mk11:10 - Alleluia, alleluia! Blessings on him who comes in the name of the Lord! Blessings on the coming kingdom of our father David! Alleluia!

Gospel - Matthew 25:31-46 - I was naked and you clothed me; sick, and you visited me

Christ the Universal King

With the encyclical letter 'Quas Primas', Pope Pius XI in 1925 instituted the feast of Christ the King, in response to growing nationalism and secularism. In 1969, with the motu proprio 'Mysterii Paschalis,' St. pope Paul VI gave the celebration a new title: 'Our Lord Jesus Christ King of the Universe.' Pope Paul VI also transferred this feast to a new date: the last Sunday of the liturgical year, before a new year begins with the first Sunday in Advent, the earliest date for which is 27th November. Through this choice of date, "the eschatological importance of this Sunday is made clear."

At the end of our liturgical year, the Church invites us to reflect on the image of Jesus Christ, our King. At a time when kings ruled in many countries, the relationship between king and citizens was one of servitude. The king owned, not only the land of the kingdom, but also the people on the land. By declaring that Christ is our king, we accept to enter this same relationship with Jesus. Jesus is our Lord; we belong to him. On the day of our Baptism, we are sealed, branded with the mark of Jesus Christ, so that, forever, we belong to his flock.

Paul reminds us of what this following of Jesus implies; he is the first one to rise from the dead into the eternal glory. We, members of his body and sheep of his sheepfold, will also participate like him, in his glorious resurrection.

In the gospel reading, Jesus reminds us that the easiest way of recognising him and following him is by seeing him in the poor and the weak around us. Whatever we do to the least of his sisters and brothers, we do to him. Belonging to his kingdom, we need to reach out and be of service to our brothers and sisters.

Happy Feast Day. Fr. Henry

World Youth Sunday

26th November

World Youth Day is a unique opportunity to celebrate the role and significance of young people in the Catholic Church, along with the global Church, and is celebrated each year on the feast of Christ the King.

There will be a second collection for the Brentwood Catholic Youth Service, and any money raised on will go towards supporting those in need of financial support to go on pilgrimages and to events, as well as allowing the BCYS to continue running events, such as the monthly Youth Masses, provide support and training to those working with young people and so much more. You will also see posters around the church with details on how you can get involved or donate online, and please pray for all our young people and those who work with them.

To find out more about the work of the BCYS, please visit **www.bcys.net**

Mass of All Nations

St Bede's will be celebrating the feast of the Solemnity of Christ the King (Mass of all Nations) on Sunday 26th November at the 11am Mass

Some of the children from St Bede's school will read a prayer in their national language

The parish and school community are invited to wear their national dress or come dressed in the colours of their country

Donations

18th/19th November

Envelopes: £353.77

Loose Plate: £367.52

Fr Henry would like to thank you all

Interim Co-ordinator for the Parish Centre

The role of Interim Parish Centre Co-ordinator is essential to help the smooth beginning and running of the new facilities, for the first year of operation.

Hours: 7 hours per week. (Including some unsociable hours)

Note: There is potential for the number of hours to grow during the year

Start Date: January 2024 Salary: £11.95 per hour

Apply by sending a CV and covering letter (no longer than A4) to frdominic@brcdt.org

Closing date: Noon on 8th December 2023

Office Clerk - Cathedral House

To provide effective and efficient support in relation to administration requirements at Cathedral House.

Hours: 21 hours per week

09.00 until 17.00

Mondays, Tuesdays and Thursdays

Start Date: December 2023 /January 2024

Salary: £13 per hour

Apply by sending a CV and covering letter (no longer than A4) to hr@brcdt.org

Closing date: 5th December 2023

Dates for Baptism

26th November 3rd December 14th & 28th January 4th & 25th February 10th & 31st March

7th & 28th April

Please note parents must attend all Baptism sessions and are expected to attend the 11am mass with their families before the Baptism

First Holy Communion 2024

All the registration forms must be completed and submitted to Fr Henry by

1st December

Once all the forms have been received, the parents will be advised, via email, the date of the first meeting which will take place before Christmas.

Training for All Altar Servers

Thank you to all those who have completed the Altar Servers application, please note we will not be contacting you separately so please note the date and time for training.

We are still looking for adults to train so please do come along for this very important Ministry.

Thank you also, to all our younger servers who regularly attend Mass, if you need additional training please come along.

Dates for training will be:

The Kingship of Christ

Poem by Malcolm Guite

Our King is calling from the hungry furrows

Whilst we are cruising through the aisles of plenty,

Our hoardings screen us from the man of sorrows,

Our soundtracks drown his murmur: 'I am thirsty.'

He stands in line to sign in as a stranger And seek a welcome from the world he made,

We see him only as a threat, a danger, He asks for clothes, we strip-search him instead.

And if he should fall sick then we take care
That he does not infect our private health,
We lock him in the prisons of our fear
Lest he unlock the prison of our wealth.
But still on Sunday we shall stand and sing
The praises of our hidden Lord and King.

The Friendship Club

Invites all parishioners to their

Christmas Carol

in the Parish Hall on the 18th December at 13:15 Music and Songs by St Bede's School Choir

Marriage Care

Catholic Marriage Counselling Marriage Preparation

www.marriagecare.org.uk

National telephone appointment service **0800 389 3801**

Adoration available in the deanery

Clayhall: 8:30am - 10am (Tue - Sat)

Hainault: 10:30am - 11:30am (Tue - Sat)

South Chingford: 8:45am - 9:30am (Tue - Sat)

Goodmayes: 9:30 am- 10am (Mon - Sat)
Chadwell Heath: 9.30am - 10am (Fri)

Wanstead: 9.30am - 1pm (Fri)

7pm - 8pm (Fri)

Newbury Park: 10am - 11am (Thu)

5pm - 6pm (Sat)

Mass Intentions

25th November to 3rd December

Saturday 25th	10 - 11am	Confessions (or anytime by appointment)
	6.00pm	Scholastica and Amirthanathar (RIP)
Sunday 26th	9.00am	Parishioners
	11.00am	Parishioners
Monday 27th	9.00am	Walter Furlong (RIP)
Tuesday 28th	9.00am	Ranjini Kumary (RIP)
Wednesday 29th	9.00am	For the sick in the parish
Thursday 30th	9.00am	All souls
Friday 1st	9.00am	Scholastica Nicholas
Saturday 2nd	10 - 11am	Confessions (or anytime by appointment)
	6.00pm	William Ford (RIP)
Sunday 3rd	9.00am	For Migrants.
	11.00am	Parishioners

May the souls of the faithful departed rest in eternal peace

In your kindness, please pray for the following who are ill

Raymond Paul, Beveley Jones, Rosanna Joseph, Richard Lamb, Annie Childs, Bruce May

Karen Oates, Kim Nichol, Rachel Antonella Rizzo, Micky Bennett, Lucy Williams, Alsene Gibbs

Wesley Leachman, Chantale Wildman Kevin Madden, Joe Travasso, Rizzo Enzo, Emily Pougnet



Anniversaries

Mary Humphreys, Michael O'Shea, Emily Dellow, Neil Leslie Mitre Childs, Mr P Humphreys, Charles Higgins, Denis Maher

John McNamara, Patrick Diggins, Gennaro Leone, Jean Barker, William Forde, Isabelle Dupree

Barbara T'rs, Christie Sheehan, Molly Murray, Elisabeth Durack, Theresa Neville, Dan Breen

Leslie Davis, David Reed, Vincent Purcell, Ada Cockerill, Frederick Skinner, Maureen McCarthy

Vidya McCallum