

MASS SCHEDULE AND INTENTIONS

N.B. All Masses will be livestreamed unless otherwise stated

The church will be opened 15 minutes before each Mass.

Saturday 20th November - Vigil Mass

5pm - 5.20pm *Sacrament of Reconciliation*

5.30pm *Louisa D'Brass RIP*

Sunday 21st November

Christ the King, Solemnity

9am *John Milner RIP - 1st Anniversary*

11am *John Carter RIP*

(Thirty Forth Week of Ordinary Time)

Tuesday 23rd November - Feria

7pm *Kay Krauze Welfare - God's will be done*

Wednesday 24th November - St Andrew Dung-Lac, Priest, & Companions, Martyrs, Memorial

10am *Deceased members of the Cusack and Raggett Families RIP*

Thursday 25th November - Feria

10am

Friday 26th November - Feria

10am

Saturday 27th November - Vigil Mass

5pm - 5.20pm *Sacrament of Reconciliation*

5.30pm *Children who have made their First Holy Communion today*

Sunday 28th November

1st Sunday of Advent

9am *Holy Souls*

11am *People of the Parish*

(F) Foundation Mass

(P) Perpetual Mass



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21st November 2021: Christ the King - Year B



A television interviewer tries to elicit the truth from a politician. We recognise of old the politician's strategies for avoiding the interviewer's questions. We are called to do jury service and determine to get to the bottom of the case, but suddenly everyone's version of events is slightly different. We pick up on a charged atmosphere at home, but when we quiz our children we are met with evasion and equivocation. There are those who live or work in situations that are deeply flawed, but refuse to admit the truth because admitting the truth would be too painful or difficult to remedy. Truth is slippery.

The opposite of truth is not always a lie. Truth can be avoided, twisted, disguised, or simply not recognised. One thing is for sure though; we all have some kind of sixth sense for knowing when we are not getting the truth. That's why it's so refreshing and so powerful when somebody gets up and speaks a simple truth from the heart. The truth makes us sit up and listen. Perhaps this is what Jesus meant when he told Pilate, "Everyone who belongs to the truth listens to my voice."

Standing in front of Pilate, Jesus doesn't back down or compromise the truth because the truth is too important. The trouble with earthly kingdoms is that the truth is not always of paramount importance. In earthly kingdoms the truth gets in the way of our personal agendas. In our quest for territory, power, resources and a comfortable life style, the truth takes second place. We might think that we are truthful people and that we never tell lies, but it is all too easy to live a lie without admitting it even to ourselves. Pilate was not able to understand the kingdom Jesus alluded to, and he was not able to see Jesus as king. Pilate failed to recognise the truth.

Today's challenge is to recognise truth in all of life's circumstance, to stand up for the truth in all of life's difficulties, and to live by the truth to the best of our ability.

Mass Intentions - If you would like a Mass to be offered for a particular intention then please contact the parish office.

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Please remember all who are sick, especially, Joyce Unwin, Hugh Dwan, Mary Ann Froude, Daniel Sutton, Joseph Nemeth, Sarah White, John Butterworth, Pat Hall, Joy Phillips and Sr Veronica.

Covid-19 Reminders

We ask you to remain vigilant and help prevent spreading the virus this Winter.

- ◆ Please do not enter the church if you have COVID symptoms, if you have received a positive Lateral Flow or PCR test result, or if you are waiting for a PCR test/result.
- ◆ Please sanitise your hands when entering
- ◆ Wearing a face covering, in our enclosed space is advised
- ◆ Please be considerate of co-worshippers and respect personal space
- ◆ Maintain 1 metre distance where possible.

Thank you for your cooperation



St Teresa's Christmas Fair

Saturday 20th November 2021 1pm - 4pm

Head to St Teresa's for some festive fun this Saturday, 20th November. Visit Santa's Grotto, have a glass of mulled wine and start your Christmas shopping. There's something for everyone.

National Youth Sunday

Bringing up a generation of carers and sharers.

National Youth Sunday is celebrated annually on the Feast of Christ the King. This day is a day to focus on the contribution the younger generations are bringing to the Church, but this a day for us all to get involved. It's easy to think that because we have grown up with strong values that our children will automatically grow up with the same values but this is not necessarily the case. If we look back we will remember how our own values were instilled and taught at an early age. If we want our children to be caring and sharing adults we have to give them the right opportunities. Today is a day to look at practical ways we can get our children and teenagers better involved in the things that are important for the shaping of our Church and our world. This is a two way process. Today is a day to listen to our children and hear how they see the world and their place in it. What can we learn from young opinions that haven't been tarnished by the knock backs older generations have come up against?

St Francis, Ascot, Fatima Devotions Knights of St Columba, Home Rosary Praying Group: Monday 22nd to Friday 26th November at 1.30pm. 30 minutes of praying the rosary as requested by Our Lady. Zoom ID: 75930032102 Password for each day: rosary



First Holy Communion

Please pray for the boys and girls from our parish making their First Holy Communion on 27th November and 4th December. May they and their families be blessed on this special day and in the future.



Papal Blessing

Sue Cooper is a parish and campaign volunteer at Corpus Christi and has been volunteering with CAFOD for over 25 years. In order to celebrate her volunteering and thank her for all her work for CAFOD a papal blessing has been ordered for her. Sue will be presented with the papal blessing at 9am Mass this Sunday. Please join us in thanking Sue for all her hard work over the years.

Fairtrade Divine Advent Calendars 2021

Every year the calendar has a beautiful new illustration by Stephen Waterhouse of the nativity. The Divine Advent Calendar is a unique combination of delicious Fairtrade chocolate with a traditional nativity theme. A great way to talk to children about Advent. www.divinechocolate.com/product/divine-milk-chocolate-advent-calendar

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Parish Quiz - Postponed

The Parish quiz has been postponed until the spring. Everybody who bought tickets should have been notified separately but apologies if anybody was missed. A new date will be set in the new year.

St Teresa's Catholic Academy Open Day - Thursday 2nd December

St Teresa's Catholic Academy will be holding an Open Day on Thursday 2nd December for all parents who are interested in their child joining our Pre-School or main School. Sessions are at 9.30am or 7pm and booking can be made by clicking here. For any queries please contact admissions@st-teresas.wokingham.sch.uk



Care of Our Common Home - COP26 What happened and what happens next?

While some progress was made at COP26, the next 12 months will be crucial in determining if the formal agreements reached in Glasgow provide grounds for optimism that 1.5°C remains firmly in sight, and are sufficient to build trust between countries and between citizens and governments.

To do:- Keep informed. You can download a full analysis of the COP26 at www.chathamhouse.org/2021/11/cop26-what-happened-what-does-mean-and-what-happens-next

Our newsletters are also available on our new **website** where you may check mass times and all parish information: <http://www.corpuschristi-wokingham.org>