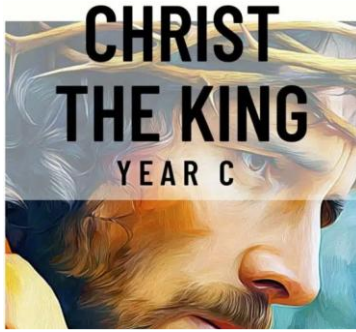




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SOLEMNITY OF CHRIST THE KING (YEAR C) 23RD NOVEMBER 2025

Mass Times

Vigil Mass: Sat 6.30 pm
Sunday 9.30 am
11.00 am
(Spanish Mass) 12.30 nn
6.30 pm

Mon to Sat 10am & 6.30 pm

Sacrament of Confession

Saturday 10.45 – 11.15 am
6.00 – 6.30 pm
Mon – Fri 6:15 – 6:30 pm

Parish Office Opening Hrs

Mon – Fri 9am to 5pm
(Lunch from 1.30pm to 2.30pm)

Rosary

Every Wednesday after
10am Mass followed by Tea
in the Founders Room.

- Rosary also held on Sundays at
3pm in the Colonnade.

Legion of Mary

Every Tuesday after 6:30 pm mass
in the Prayer Room.

Holy Hour

1st Friday of every month after
10am Mass. The **Blessed**

Sacrament will be exposed for
Rosary, Litany Divine Mercy &
Benediction.

Safeguarding Office

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Saints Days

Mon 24th – St. Andrew Dung-Lac
and Companions

Tue 25th – St. Catherine of
Alexandra

Wed 26th – St. Columban

Thu 27th – St. Francesco Antonio
Fasani

Fri 28th – St. James of the Marche

Sat 29th – St. Clement



St. Peregrine Mass of Healing

Our next St. Peregrine Mass of Healing
is on **26th November 2025**
(Wednesday) at 6:30pm.

Relic of Saint Carlo Acutis

Exposition of this Relic on every
Monday after our 10am Mass.

Saint Carlo, Pray for us.

Reflection

The readings for the Solemnity of Christ the King Year C, remind us that Jesus is the One true King. They invite us to reflect on the profound mystery of Jesus' kingship and what it truly means to acknowledge Jesus as our King and to live as His faithful followers, allowing His reign of truth and peace to transform our hearts and guide our lives.

In today's 1st reading from the 2nd book of Samuel, we see the Israelites coming together to anoint David as their king. They recognize him not just as a leader but as one who will unite and shepherd them. This moment of anointing is pivotal, for it highlights the importance of leadership grounded in service and fidelity to God's call.

David's kingship foreshadows the ultimate kingship of Christ's who comes not just to rule over a nation, but to reign in the hearts of all humanity.

In the Gospel from St. Luke 23:35-43, we encounter Jesus on the cross, surrounded by mockery. It's striking that even in his moment of apparent weakness, Jesus reveals the nature of His kingship. The rulers scoff and challenge Him: "If you are the King of the Jews, save yourself." Yet, it is precisely through this moment of suffering and apparent defeat that Jesus opens the gates of Heaven, promising paradise to the repentant thief. His royalty isn't defined by power or dominion, but by mercy, sacrifice and radical love that seeks to serve and redeem.

Jesus willingness to forgive those who mocked Him demonstrate that forgiveness is powerful and transformative. We are reminded to extend grace to others, regardless of their actions toward us.



1. **Confirmation Classes 2026** – Young people aged 14/15 years upwards who wish to be confirmed next year, registration is now open. Please collect and complete a Confirmation Enrolment Form from the Colonnade. You may also find it to download from our website. The session will start on 11th January 2026 5:30 pm with the meeting of the candidates and the parents at the Founders Room and mass at the church afterwards.
2. **Violin Recital** – Royal College of Music violinist Anthony Knight will perform a 15-minute recital in aid of UNICEF on 23rd November after 6:30 pm Mass.
3. **Faulty Electrical Lighting System** – Our parish church is in urgent need of major repairs to the electrical lighting system that is quoted at around £40,000. We sincerely appeal for your generous support. Thank you for your kindness and valuable assistance.
4. **Servite Volunteers Christmas Party** – will be on 6th December 2025 Saturday 5:00 pm at School Hall.
5. **Simbang Gabi sa Chelsea** – The Christmas Novena Mass will start on 15th December 2025 (Monday) at 8:00 pm but on 23rd December, the mass will be at 6:00 pm.

PILGRIMS OF HOPE

Hymn for the Jubilee Year 2025

*Like a flame my hope is burning, may my song arise to You:
Source of life that has no ending, on life's path I trust in You.*

1. Ev'ry nation, tongue, and people find a light within Your Word.
Scattered fragile sons and daughters find a home in Your dear Son.
2. Dio ci guarda, tenero e paziente: nasce l'alba di un futuro nuovo.
Nuovi Cieli Terra fatta nuova: passa i muri Spirito di vita.
3. Ang Diyos ay ating nadarama, kahit di natin nakikita.
Naging tao para sa buong mundo, susunod ako sa'n man sa'ya patungo.



FIRST READING

A reading from the second book of Samuel 5:1-3

In those days: All the tribes of Israel came to David at Hebron and said, 'Behold, we are your bone and flesh. In times past, when Saul was king over us, it was you who led out and brought in Israel. And the Lord said to you, "You shall be shepherd of my people Israel, and you shall be prince over Israel." ' So all the elders of Israel came to the king at Hebron, and King David made a covenant with them at Hebron before the Lord, and they anointed David king over Israel.



The word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Ps 122(121):1-2. 3-4a. 4b-5. Rcf.1

R. Let us go rejoicing to the house of the Lord.

1. I rejoiced when they said to me,
'Let us go to the house of the Lord.'
And now our feet are standing
within your gates, O Jerusalem. **R.**
2. Jerusalem is built as a city
bonded as one together.
It is there that the tribes go up,
the tribes of the Lord. **R.**
3. As it is decreed for Israel,
to give thanks to the name of the Lord.
There were set the thrones for
judgement, the thrones of the house of
David. **R.**

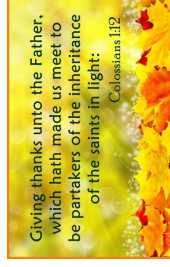
Solemnity of Christ the King

SECOND READING

A reading from the letter of St. Paul to the Colossians 1:12-20

Brothers and Sisters: Let us give thanks to the Father, who has qualified you to share in the inheritance of the saints in light. He has delivered us from the domain of darkness and transferred us to the kingdom of his beloved Son, in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins.

He is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation. For by him all things were created, in heaven and on earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or rulers or authorities — all things were created through him and for him. And he is before all things, and in him all things hold together. And he is the head of the body, the Church. He is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead, that in everything he might be pre-eminent. For in him all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell, and through him to reconcile to himself all things, whether on earth or in heaven, making peace by the blood of his cross.



The word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord!
Blessed is the coming kingdom of our father David!
Alleluia.

(Year C) 23rd November 2025

GOSPEL

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke 23:35-43



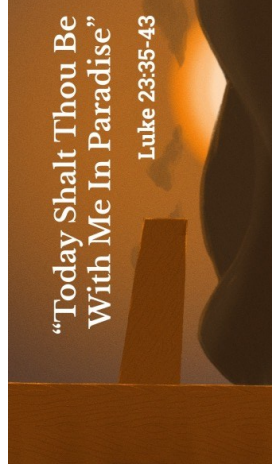
All: Glory to you, O Lord.

At that time: The rulers scoffed at Jesus, saying, 'He saved others; let him save himself, if he is the Christ of God, his Chosen One!' The soldiers also mocked him, coming up and offering him sour wine and saying, 'If you are the King of the Jews, save yourself!' There was also an inscription over him, 'This is the King of the Jews.'

One of the criminals who were hanged there railed at Jesus, saying, 'Are you not the Christ? Save yourself and us!' But the other rebuked him, saying, 'Do you not fear God, since you are under the same sentence of condemnation? And we indeed justly, for we are receiving the due reward of our deeds; but this man has done nothing wrong.' And he said, 'Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom.' And he said to him, 'Truly, I say to you, today you will be with me in paradise.'

The Gospel of the Lord.

All: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.



NICENE CREED—See Laudate 479 (205)

I believe in one God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible.

I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ, the Only Begotten Son of God, born of the Father before all ages. God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father; through him all things were made. For us men and for our salvation he came down from heaven, (*All bow for following three lines*) and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary and became man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate, He suffered death and was buried, and rose again on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead and his kingdom will have no end.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified, who has spoken through the Prophets.

I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church. I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.