



24 NOVEMBER 2024

OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE - B

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Spiritans

The greatness that looks like a failure.

As we stand on the threshold of Advent, the feast of Christ the King boldly proclaims, through the vision of the prophet Daniel, and the timeless exchange between Jesus and Pilate of what Advent celebrates - the arrival of a king, but not our usual kings and kingdoms. Christ's kingdom has no palace or Court and its great defining landmark is the sacrificial love of the Cross. Christ as the King of Kings had no property, education and connection. His only friends and connections were a few ignorant Galileans. He wrote no book, held no public office and His occupation was a local carpenter. At a very young age, the tide of public opinion turned against Him; His foes had Him arrested, many friends deserted Him and He was sentenced to death in an unjust and unfair trial. A notorious prisoner was chosen over Him before He was crucified with two thieves. His executioners gambled for His inner garments, the last shred of his dignity. He was buried by charity in a borrowed grave through the pity of a friend. This is the most unlikely setting for the King of Kings. However, after more than 2000 years, Jesus Christ is still the centre of the world. No power, book or army have ever affected the world as He did. He is the greatness that looks like a failure. He is the greatness that conquers through love and compassion, questioning and stripping away our delusion of power and greatness. He strips away the delusion that God cannot be found in the most powerless situations and in the most powerless people. God reveals himself and his power when we are at our lowest moment, when we are sick, when we are humiliated, sad, depressed and treated unjustly. Jesus also turns our notion of power upside down. The powerful is not the one who is served but who serves; the powerful is not the one who has many, but few. In this Kingdom, the greatest honour and power are not in how much you have, or how much you control, but in how much you give up. It is a place where we are called to love, and to give, until there is nothing left. It is where pure love reigns. May we seek true greatness in this Kingdom.

Fr. Michael

MASS TIMES & INTENTIONS: 24 NOVEMBER 2024 — 01 DECEMBER 2024

(FEAST: 30TH ST ANDREW)

Sat 23	18.30: James & Hannah Mulcahy & Margaret Mcgrath RIP	
Sun 24	09.00: Elsie & Patrick Fowler & Hilda Budd - RIP <i>(R Howe)</i>	
	11.00: Muriel Cowan - RIP <i>(Nancy)</i>	18.00: People of the Parish
Mon 25	09.30: Jacques Lambert - WB <i>(OLI Parish)</i>	
Tues 26	09.30: Holy Souls	19.00: Luthra Arun - RIP
Wed 27	09.30: Holy Souls	19.00: Gerard Dodds RIP <i>(FM)</i>
Thurs 28	07.00: Janaki Gandhimathi - RIP <i>(Mary & Suresh)</i>	09.30: Absolute Change Management (WB)
Fri 29	07.00: Holy Souls	09.30: Carol James (RIP).
	11.30: FUNERAL: Ray Lewry - RIP	
Sat 30	09.00: Holy Souls	
Sat 30	18.30: Tom McGuinness & Muriel Cowan - RIP <i>(June & Family)</i>	
Sun 01	09.00: Linford Fuller <i>(L Lewes)</i>	
	11.00: Angela Bailey - RIP <i>(OLI Parish)</i>	18.00: People of the Parish

EUCCHARISTIC EXPOSITION:	MONDAY – FRIDAY: 8AM
MORNING PRAYER (LAUDS):	MONDAY – FRIDAY: 9AM
SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION:	SATURDAY: - 9.30-10am & 5.30-6.00pm
YOUTH MASS:	LAST SUNDAY: - 6pm Mass
ST ANTHONY OF PADUA NOVENA:	TUESDAY: - After morning and evening Masses
OUR LADY OF PERPETUAL HELP NOVENA:	WEDNESDAY: - After morning and evening Masses
OUR LADY OF FATIMA DEVOTION:	FIRST SATURDAY: - of the month, after morning Mass
SYRO-MALABAR VIGIL	FIRST FRIDAY: - of the month



REMEMBRANCE: Please remember in your prayers all who have recently died especially Ray Lewry, Angela Bailey, Delia Hudson and those whose anniversaries occur at this time. May their souls rest in peace. Amen **THE SICK:** Vanessa Andrew, Martin Dray, Pauline Ferrara, Thomas Haley, George Trutwein, Frances Cox, Mary Ryan, Rita Reginald, Thomas O'Connor, Jimmy Simon, Sarah Mills, Samar Staussi, Annita Smith, Shirlene A., Kathleen McGuinness, Kathleen O'Connell, Claire Pender, Hazel D'Aguiar, Elizabeth Jones, Wendy Cook, Tony Cook, Nivetheni Robert, Baby Freddie Page, Clare & Baby Polly, Gerry Hague, Maureen Stephens, Maureen Sellwood, Mavis Fisher, Andy Moolman, Ian Beard, Qiaochen Shi, Ida Rebello, Ravenna Ahmed, Jesse Osborne, Vinitha Sherin, Jisha Nelson, Ralph Smallwood, Adam Martin, Mark Draper, Tim & Janice Ryan, Lionel Holland, Gerry Taylor, Allan Cook, Colin Stevens and Joan Frost.

Our Lady Immaculate RC Church, Tolworth

TODAY'S READINGS

Entrance Antiphon

Rv 5: 12; 1: 6

How worthy is the Lamb who was slain,
to receive power and divinity,
and wisdom and strength and honour.
To him belong glory and power for ever and ever.

Penitential Act: I confess to almighty God and to you,
my brothers and sisters, that I have greatly sinned, in
my thoughts and in my words, in what I have done and
in what I have failed to do, (*And, striking their breast,
they say:*) through my fault, through my fault, through
my most grievous fault; therefore I ask blessed Mary
ever-Virgin, all the Angels and Saints, and you, my
brothers and sisters, to pray for me to the Lord our
God. **Amen**

The Gloria: Glory to God in the highest, and on earth
peace to people of good will. We praise you, we bless
you, we adore you, we glorify you, we give you thanks
for your great glory, Lord God, heavenly King, O
God, almighty Father. Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begot-
ten Son, Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,
you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us;
you take away the sins of the world, receive our pray-
er; you are seated at the right hand of the Father, have
mercy on us. For you alone are the Holy One, you
alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus
Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the
Father. **Amen**

Opening Prayer:

Almighty ever-living God, whose will is to restore all
things in your beloved Son, the King of the universe,
grant, we pray, that the whole creation, set free from
slavery, may render your majesty service and
ceaselessly proclaim your praise. Through our Lord
Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you
in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever.
Amen

First reading

Daniel 7:13-14

I gazed into the visions of the night. And I saw,
coming on the clouds of heaven, one like a son of
man. He came to the one of great age and was led into
his presence. On him was conferred sovereignty,
glory and kingship, and men of all peoples, nations
and languages became his servants. His sovereignty is
an eternal sovereignty which shall never pass away,
nor will his empire ever be destroyed.

Reader: The word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God

Responsorial Psalm:

Psalm 92(93):1-2,5

The Lord is king, with majesty enrobed.

The Lord is king, with majesty enrobed;
the Lord has robed himself with might,
he has girded himself with power. **(R)**

The world you made firm, not to be moved;

your throne has stood firm from of old.
From all eternity, O Lord, you are. **(R)**

Truly your decrees are to be trusted.
Holiness is fitting to your house,
O Lord, until the end of time. **(R)**

Second reading

Apocalypse 1:5-8

Grace and peace to you from Jesus Christ, the faithful
witness, the First-Born from the dead, the Ruler of the
kings of the earth. He loves us and has washed away
our sins with his blood, and made us a line of kings,
priests to serve his God and Father; to him, then, be
glory and power for ever and ever. Amen. It is he who
is coming on the clouds; everyone will see him, even
those who pierced him, and all the races of the earth
will mourn over him. This is the truth. Amen. 'I am
the Alpha and the Omega' says the Lord God, who is,
who was, and who is to come, the Almighty.

Reader: The word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God

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

John 18:33-37

'Are you the king of the Jews?' Pilate asked. Jesus re-
plied, 'Do you ask this of your own accord, or have
others spoken to you about me?' Pilate answered, 'Am
I a Jew? It is your own people and the chief priests
who have handed you over to me: what have you
done?' Jesus replied, 'Mine is not a kingdom of this
world; if my kingdom were of this world, my men
would have fought to prevent my being surrendered to
the Jews. But my kingdom is not of this kind.' 'So you
are a king then?' said Pilate. 'It is you who say it'
answered Jesus. 'Yes, I am a king. I was born for this, I
came into the world for this: to bear witness to the
truth; and all who are on the side of truth listen to my
voice.'

Priest: The Gospel of the Lord.

All: Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ.

THE NICENE CREED:

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. (*At the words
that follow, up to and including 'and became man',
all bow*) For us men and for our salvation he came
down from heaven, and by the Holy Spirit was incar-
nate 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

Prayer over the Offerings:

As we offer you, O Lord, the sacrifice by which the human race is reconciled to you, we humbly pray, that your Son himself may bestow on all nations the gifts of unity and peace.

Through Christ our Lord. **Amen**

Communion Antiphon

Ps 28: 10-11

The Lord sits as King for ever. The Lord will bless his people with peace.

Prayer after Communion

Having received the food of immortality, we ask, O Lord, that, glorying in obedience to the commands of Christ, the King of the universe, we may live with him eternally in his heavenly kingdom. Who lives and reigns for ever and ever. **Amen**

De Profundis (For our deceased loved ones)

Out of the depths I cry to you, O Lord,
Lord, hear my voice!

O let your ears be attentive
to the voice of my pleading.

If you, O Lord, should mark our guilt,
Lord, who would survive?

But with you is found forgiveness:
for this we revere you

My soul is waiting for the Lord.

I count on his word.

My soul is longing for the Lord
more than watchman for daybreak.

Let the watchman count on daybreak
and Israel on the Lord

Because with the Lord there is mercy
and fullness of redemption,

Israel indeed he will redeem
from all its iniquity.

Eternal rest grant unto them O' Lord.

And let your perpetual light shine upon them.

May they rest in peace. **Amen.**

talents! Volunteering is a great way of meeting new friends. sharing skills and developing new skills. We have a number of areas that you could get involved with such as Welcoming, Social Event Organisers, Children's/Youth work, Communications, Fundraising, Maintenance of Grounds and Buildings, Cleaning, Gardening and many other areas. Please see a member of the Volunteer Team after Mass for a volunteer form.

A BIG WELCOME AND THANK YOU TO FR. BONIFACE AS HE RETURNS FOR HIS FINAL FAREWELL CELEBRATION -

May God bless him in his new Parish and ministry.

NOVEMBER IS THE MONTH FOR PRAYING FOR OUR DECEASED LOVED ONES - They cannot pray for themselves but need us to do that. Please remember to book Masses for your dead loved ones.

SECOND COLLECTION THIS WEEKEND - WORLD YOUTH SUNDAY 2024:

Sunday (24 November) is World Youth Sunday. The second collection will support youth work in the Archdiocese and beyond, especially the work of the Southwark Catholic Youth Service, which provides a variety of activities for youth and young adults.

No Flowers In Advent: The season of Advent begins on Sunday 1 December. Please **NO** flowers to be brought to the Lady Chapel or anywhere throughout the Church until Christmas Eve due to the quasi-penitential / sombre nature of Advent and then the Crib being erected.

EMAIL ADDRESSES FOR THE PARISH DATABASE: If you wish to receive the Parish Newsletter to your inbox, please provide an updated and current email address to tolworth@rcaos.or.uk Thank you.

INFORMATION & REMINDERS

PLEASE - OPPOSE ASSISTED DYING BILL: -

Archbishop John urges us to oppose assisted suicide. According to him: "we are called care for those who are suffering, not to bring about their death." The bill has been published this week. Use the link below to write to your MP and voice your opposition to assisted suicide. Archbishop John reminds us that "the Catholic Church believes and teaches that every life is valuable, regardless of one's physical or mental state or ability", which is why "we cannot approve of any form of euthanasia and assisted suicide." To find out how and for more information visit: <https://www.rcsouthwark.co.uk/news-events/news/how-to-oppose-the-assisted-dying-bill/>

If you wish to sign, there is a petition in the Narthex. After completion the petition will be sent to Ed Davey

OLI YOUTH MINISTRY: The OLI Youth Group are going bowling! The group will be going on Sunday 24th November, 3 - 5.30 pm.

NEW ANNOUNCEMENTS

WE BELIEVE THAT THE CHURCH IS THE BODY OF CHRIST AND WE ALL HAVE AN IMPORTANT PART TO PLAY. VOLUNTEERS ARE AT THE HEART OF OUR LADY IMMACULATE CHURCH - Without our volunteers we couldn't do what we do. Whether you are great at looking after children, making people feel at home, or simply just want to do whatever you can, we want to help you make the most of your God-given skills and

INFORMATION & REMINDERS

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR CHURCH CLEANING: Our Church cleaning group is in urgent need of more volunteers to help keep our church clean and welcoming for everyone. This is a wonderful opportunity to contribute to the life of our parish and serve in a practical, meaningful way. If you are interested or would like more information, please contact Mrs Denise Kidd, the Parish Secretary, on tolworth@rcaos.org.uk. Let's come together as a community to care for our church!

CHRISTMAS PRISONER'S GIFT BAGS - We are collecting gift bags to be distributed on Christmas eve to the prisoners in Wandsworth Prison. If you wish to donate a gift bag please speak with Denise for specifications and give to the Parish Office by 20th December. For example: A Paper Gift bag" (around 13 x 18 cms), which will contain: a handful (5 pieces) of Chocolate from "Celebrations", 2 x Sachets of Coffee/Chocolate, a Holy Card (12 cms x 7 cms) and an A4 size - 2025 Catholic Calendar, which will be given along with the bag. Thank for your generosity.

PARISH DEVELOPMENT FUND SECOND COLLECTION: A monthly second collection for the OLI Parish Development Fund (PDF) will begin in December. It is to assist the parish to save and pay for major projects and minor repairs. The maintenance and development of the parish is costing a lot of money and we are struggling financially to keep up. Thank you, as always for your generosity.

CHRISTMAS TEA: OLI wishes to commence the Christmas Celebrations by inviting parishioners to an Afternoon Christmas Tea Party at the Parish Hall on **Saturday 7th December, at 2pm**. If you know of anyone who may be on their own this Christmas or neighbours and friends, who would like to come and celebrate with us, please invite them all. Everyone is welcome. Keep the date in your diary and watch out for more details in the newsletter. If you would like to

WEEKLY COLLECTIONS

LAST WEEKEND

Gift-aid: £285.55

Non-Gift-aid: £775.24

Total: £1,060.79

Please make **cheques** payable to: *RCAS Tolworth*
Kindly consider making your regular contribution to the Church via standing order (form available at olionline.co.uk), or by online banking:

RCAS Our Lady Immaculate Church, Account Number: 06467032; Sort Code: 60-21-05.

help in any way, please contact Helen Emmett on 07402327177

RED MISSIO BOXES

Please bring the contents of your Red *Missio* Boxes to the church during the month of November. Any queries, please contact Mary C Taylor Tel: 07985 659266 Many thanks for your continuing generosity.

CHRISTMAS CARDS AND REPOSITORY NEWS: The repository is open every Sunday after the 9am Mass to sell Christmas cards, 2025 calendars and other gift items. Please consider supporting your parish by stocking from the repository. Also, Denise has offered to sell Christmas cards, £5.00 per box from the Parish Office from 10am to 2pm, Monday-Friday.

OBITUARIES:

RAY LEWRY: Please pray for Ray Lewry who passed away on 28th October aged 99 yrs.

Funeral: OLI, Friday 29th November at 11.30am

ANGELA BAILEY: Kindly pray for Angela Bailey who passed away on 20th November.

Funeral: TBA

DELIA HUDSON: Please pray for Delia Hudson who passed away suddenly on Tuesday 19th November aged 62yrs.

Funeral: TBA

Joe was opening a new business, and one of his friends decided to send flowers for the occasion. The flowers arrived and Joe read the card. It said, "Rest in Peace." Joe, enraged, called the florist to complain. The florist replied, "Sir, I'm really sorry for the mistake, but rather than getting angry, you should imagine this: somewhere there is a funeral taking place today, and they have flowers with a note saying, "Congratulations on your new location."

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