

CORPUS CHRISTI, BOLTON

26TH NOVEMBER 2017 - OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, UNIVERSAL KING

He will take his seat on his throne of glory, and he will separate men one from another



Shepherd-King o'er mountain steep, homeward bring the wandering sheep. This hymn which we will probably sing today captures the readings perfectly: our King is not a cruel tyrant or despot, but a shepherd who loves his flock, who would (and did) give his life for them. Love for the flock means that he will have to judge them, separating the sheep from those who do not belong to him. Coming to the end of the Church's year leads us to look to our final ending, the homecoming the hymn speaks of. The judgement of the end of time we do not view as a trial or a terror, but as a coming home: look back to the Isaiah reading on the 28th Sunday to see what a homecoming party is offered. All we do is put our lives in order, living just and holy lives, longing for the day of the Lord to come.

Liturgy & Activities This Week				
Sunday Cycle A; Weekday Cycle 1; Divine Office Week 2				
Sunday Missal: page 514 Preface: page 523				
Sunday	9am Mass (SJ) - With Children's Liturgy			
	11am Mass (SB) - With Children's Liturgy			
National Youth Day	2pm Baptism (SB) A Special Day of Prayer for Young People			
Monday (27th)	No Mass Today			
	7pm-9pm Needles Sewing Group (Harbour Room, SB)			
	7.45pm SVP (SJ)			
Tuesday (28th)	10am Requiem Mass for Thomas Rabbitt (SB)			
	12noon Harwood Prayer Walk (Youth Centre, Longsight Lane)			
	2pm-2.45pm Christian Meditation (Harbour Room, SB)			
	7.15pm SVP (SB)			
	7.30pm Becoming Catholic (Patmos Room, SJ)			
Wednesday (29th)	9.15am Yr2 Mass (St Columba's School)			
	1.15pm Harbour Room Book Club (SB)			
Thursday (30th)	9.15am Yr5 Advent Mass (SB)			
St Andrew, Patron of Scotland	7.15pm-8pm Christian Meditation (Harbour Room, SB)			
Friday (1st Dec)	9.30am Mass (SJ)			
Saturday (2 nd)	11am-12noon Adoration & Reconciliation (SJ)	=		
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	7.30pm Brixi Singers Christmas Concert (St Brendan's Church)			
Sunday (3 rd)	9am Mass (SJ) – With Children's Liturgy	1		
	11am Mass (SB) – With Children's Liturgy			
First Sunday of Advent				
Safeguard the Future of Catholic Schools				

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Do you support Catholic schools and the right of Catholics to send their children to them? Then we need to make your voice heard.

The Government is making a critical decision on whether to overturn the admissions cap which prevents Catholic schools from allowing all Catholic pupils to attend. They have acknowledged that this policy discriminates against Catholics and promised to abandon it, now we need you to tell them not to U-turn on their promise to Catholics.

Visit http://catholicnews.org.uk/education-cap or search for 'Catholic Education' in your search engine to write to the Government and urge them to drop their policy which bans new Catholic schools.

Sick: Joan Coles, Isabelle Owen, Laura Shuttleworth, Bernard Holder, Eileen Murphy, Joan Pearce, Pauline Bowling, Caroline Garside, Sarah Parkinson, Linda Southern, Callum Fazackerley, Elaine Jansen, Mary Cassidy, Tony Wright, Janet Rabbett, Mike Greenhalgh, June Dawson, Greta Barlow, Cassie Wilson, Christine Hasleden, Suzanne Freeman-Hill, Jude McCann Brown, Ann Cunliffe, John Pryor, Maureen Woodward, Rose Adams, Valerie Piddock, Irene Parkinson, Father Francis McCauley, Zachary Ainscough (aged 7), Mary Bagg, Mary Castle, Peggy Ainscow, Canon Dorran, Christine Everitt, Mark O'Brien, Sheila Derbyshire, Margaret Gibson, Kathleen & Arnold Banks, Andrew Rostron, Rose Mellor, Michaela (Sick child), Linda Marsh, Ross Smith (young person) and all who are sick or recovering from serious illness

Lately Dead: Josephine Knowles, Veronica Higgins, Mary Greenhalgh, Thomas Rabbitt

Anniversaries: Terry & Nell O'Neill

Mass Intentions: Thomas Rabbitt, Josephine Knowles, Michael Kelleher (90th Birthday), Mary Greenhalgh, William, Anne & Rosemary Davies (anniversary & remembrance), Tyler Doloroso & a sick daughter, Terry & Nell O'Neill, Samuel & Ivy Cooper (Birthday Remembrance), A Special Intention, Elaine Jansen (100th Birthday), Thomas & Evelyn Rabbitt (in remembrance)

Cycle of Prayer Part 6 (of 6):

We pray especially for: the spread of the Gospel; the harvest; the fruits of human work & the reverent use of creation; justice and peace in the world; all victims of war; young people; prisoners & their families.

National Youth Sunday: Today, the feast of Christ the King, we celebrate National Youth Sunday. We pray for all young people that the Holy Spirit may guide them in becoming ambassadors for Christ and spreading his love and peace throughout the world. We also have an opportunity for our own Parish Youth Rep here in Corpus Christi. If anyone is interested, please contact the parish office on 01204 301927 or email office@sbsj.org.uk. The Parish Representative(s) will be a young adult (18-25 years) who is part of the parish and is passionate and confident about getting young people involved more in the life of the parish and deanery.



Congratulations: To Alicia May Silva who was baptised at St Brendan's last Sunday. We pray that she and her family continue to grow in faith.

Churches In Harwood

Advent Service: Will take place at St Brendan's on Monday 4 December at 7.30pm.

Urban Outreach "Christmas Dinner on Jesus": This year we are asked to supply savoury crackers. These need to be small packets (200-300g) as boxes will not fit in the hampers. Please bring to church over the next few weeks.

Music and Readings for Advent and Christmas: Caritas and Salford Loaves and Fishes are pleased, once again, to present Music and Readings for Advent and Christmas' at St John's Cathedral, Salford, with Bishop John Arnold. The Choir of St John's Cathedral, Anthony Hunt (organ) and Martin Barry (conductor) and Notability will perform on Sunday 3 December at 7:30pm. Tickets £5 each, from Caritas 0161 817 2250 or Salford Loaves and Fishes 0161 737 8775.

Harbour Room Book Club: The next meeting is on Wednesday 29 November at 1.15pm. The book under discussion is First Casualty by Ben Elton. All welcome.

Fort Alice - Christmas Toy Appeal

Following the overwhelming, response to this special toy collection over the past two years, we have been asked if we would hold another collection of newly purchased toys in aid of Fortalice. Without the generosity of people in the local community, the charity would not be able give parents and children a new experience of receiving individual presents. We will hold the toy collection at our Saturday and Sunday Masses on the 9 & 10 December and a representative from Fort Alice will give a short talk. Thank you

Christmas Window Displays (St Brendan's): Parishioners are invited to sponsor a poinsettia again this year in memory of a loved one. There is a form to complete (at the back of church). Thank you.

Journeying with Advent Families: Join us for our Advent series on the following dates:

1 December: Ruth, Naomi and Boaz (Promise Foretold).

8 December: Zechariah, Elizabeth and John the Baptist (Promise Foreshadowed).

15 December: Mary, Joseph and Jesus (Promised Fulfilled).

Time:10.30am – 12.30pm (Tea and coffee provided)

Venue: Wardley Hall, Worsley M28 2ND

Presenters: Sister Joan Kerley, FMSJ and Maria Kidd. For more information contact: Marie Sartini (Bishop's PA) 0161 794 2825 E: Marie.sartini@dioceseofsalford.org.uk or Sr Joan Kerley, FMSJ; 0161 971 7842; E: joankfmsj@gmail.com

Readers' Rota: The new rota is now available

SVP News

Christmas Flower Demonstration: Thank you to everyone who came along to a lovely afternoon last Saturday. The flower demonstrations were wonderful, as were the cake and scones! Thank you again to Margaret Fazackerley and everyone who helped. The afternoon raised £265 which will be split between Urban Outreach and the Destitution Project.

Destitution Project: There will be a special collection of food items during the rest of November and the first week of December. A list of items is displayed on the notice boards. Thank you for your continued support

Red Mission Boxes (SJ): The next "Gather-in" of the Red Mission boxes will take place at St John's after the 9am Mass on Sunday 3 December. Please bring your boxes for emptying. Your Missionary Calendar will also be available for collection at church.

St John's 200 Club

The November winners are:

J Rowson (111) £,50 £25 C Dustin (92)



CAMEO: A big Thank you to everyone who came along to the fun auction last week and special thanks to Kath Denton. A grand total of £288.10 was raised for SVP funds.

Parish Quiz: Thank you to all who came along last Friday to support the quiz and to all those who helped (both beforehand and on the night). The total raised for parish funds was £.754!

A Christmas Concert: The Brixi Singers will be performing on Saturday 2 December at St Brendan's Church. The concert starts at 7.30pm and tickets (on the door) are £9, under 18's free.

Marriage Matters

Called to be symbols of the way Jesus loves: Jesus says that those who respond to others are in effect responding to him. Our call as married couples is to be a symbol of Jesus' love for us. In each small way that we show our love: doing little jobs, spending quality time together, listening, forgiving and making up, we are responding to that call and nourishing one other

Think Vocation

Let us rejoice on this feast day of the Catholic faith that is celebrated in every country of the world. We pray for young people to be proud of their faith and recognise that they belong to a Church where people of every nation, culture, race and language can praise Christ as their universal king.

Readers and Eucharistic Ministers for 2/3 December			
Mass	Reader	Eucharistic Ministers	
5pm (SB)	M Maybury	TBA	
9am (SJ)	M Parkinson	J Carroll, M Russell, T Armstrong, A Rawlinson, A Grundy, A Gracie	
11am (SB)	C Owen	T Proctor, T Smith, J Proctor	

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