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**THE YEAR OF ST. JOSEPH**



**DATE**

**Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> November  
2021**

**SUNDAY**

**Solemnity of Christ the King  
Year B**

**DIVINE OFFICE**

**Week 2**

**Live-streamed Masses: Sunday at 9.30am and all weekday Masses.**

<b>Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> November</b> (1 <sup>st</sup> Mass of Sunday)	6.00pm	Alan Payne RIP <sup>(SH)</sup>
<b>Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> November</b> Solemnity of Christ the King	9.30am 11.30am	Denis Healy RIP <sup>(Choir)</sup> People of the Parish
<b>Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> Nov</b> <i>St. Cecilia</i> Virgin, Martyr <sup>Memorial</sup>	9.15am	Int. of Lara Saiz <sup>(T&amp;MM)</sup>
<b>Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> Nov</b> <i>St. Clement I</i> Pope, Martyr <sup>Memorial</sup>	9.15am	Francis Patton RIP <sup>(FD)</sup>
<b>Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> Nov</b> <i>St. Andrew Dung-Lac</i> Priest, <sup>Memorial</sup> <i>and Companions</i> Martyrs		No Services Today
<b>Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> Nov</b> <i>St. Catherine of Alexandria</i> <sup>Memorial</sup> Martyr	7.00pm 7.30pm	Evelyn Hawkey RIP <sup>(CH)</sup> Parish Council AGM
<b>Friday 26<sup>th</sup> Nov</b> Feria	9.15am	Michael Mitchell RIP <sup>(CM)</sup>
<b>Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> November</b> <i>Our Lady</i> <sup>Saturday Memorial</sup> (1 <sup>st</sup> Mass of Sunday)	9.30am 10-11am 6.00pm	Eliz McCabe RIP (Birthday Anniversary) <sup>(MD)</sup> Exposition, Confession & Benediction Margaret McDonagh <sup>(MMcD)</sup> <sup>née Halton</sup> RIP
<b>Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> November</b> <b>First Sunday of Advent</b> Year C	9.30am 11.30am	People of the Parish Patricia McMahon RIP (1st Anniversary) <sup>(KF)</sup>

## Pope Francis:

Prayer is primarily listening and encountering God. The problems of everyday life, then, do not become obstacles, but appeals from God himself to listen to and encounter those who are in front of us. The trials of life thus change into opportunities to grow in faith and charity.

### Data Protection – Live-streaming

Sunday 9.30am Mass, and all weekday Masses, will continue to be live-streamed. The camera is situated at the front of the church so that only the Sanctuary is visible. If, however, you are sitting on the left side of the church you will become visible, in a way in which you might be recognisable, for a brief moment as you return from receiving Holy Communion. If you do not wish to appear on the live-stream please ensure that you are seated on the right of the church.

### Recently Deceased

Of your charity please pray for the repose of the souls of **Margaret Moseley née Carter, Terry O'Neil & Pat Gray**, on whose souls sweet Jesus have mercy, may they rest in peace.

### Sundays & Holy Days of Obligation

In March 2020, the Bishops of England & Wales suspended the obligation to attend Mass due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

The Bishops now feel that it is time to rescind this suspension, so that from next Sunday the faithful will be obliged to attend Mass on Sundays and Holy days.

Therefore, from next Sunday, the **1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of Advent**, the obligation to attend Mass on Sundays and Holy Days of Obligation is re-imposed.

## Pope's Prayer Intention

The Pope's prayer intention for the month of November is: **People who suffer from Depression**. We pray that people who suffer from depression or burn-out will find support and a light that opens them up to life.

### Sick in the Parish

Please pray for all the sick in the parish, that God will bless and comfort them. Please remember especially:

**Darren Forrest, Mary Brough, Joe Bannister, Morris Moseley, Max Miotk, Leo Jones, Margaret Healy, John Wynne, Maura McGarry, Juliet Woodhall, Pat Hopley, Luke Smith, Catherine Shepherd, Keiron Sanders, Jim Smith, David Goodwin, Nancy Levell, Antonio Bigongiari, Olivia (Dotty) Cutler, Ann & Keith Allford, Deacon John Higgins, Joan Hart, Emma Jones, Anna Morgan née Meehan, Margaret Cooper, Holly Brady, Mike Mander, Jo Cooke, Anne Humphreys, Paul Mott, Theresa Chandler, Fr. Paul Chamberlain, Cath & Paddy Breen, Max Lewis, Marguerite Baxendale, David Piggott, Clare Cooksey & Áine McDonagh.**

We pray also for those who are suffering as a result of COVID-19, and for all who carry the burden of their illness privately. May the Lord grant them His healing and peace.

### Beware of Spam Emails

The Archdiocese has been made aware of spam emails coming from fraudulent impersonated Gmail accounts pretending to be from Parish Priests. These emails often include 'parishpastor' and the name of the parish priest, but they are not being sent from priests' email accounts. Protective action has been taken by the Diocesan IT team to block such emails but they can still be generated elsewhere and infiltrate email accounts.



Catholic Agency for  
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Live Simply Prayer – Week 52

*(Solemnity of Christ the King)*

**Lord Jesus, you are the king of justice and truth. You are the servant king. We praise and honour you for your humility and self-sacrifice.**

### Retiring Collection

This weekend, **20<sup>th</sup>/21<sup>st</sup> November**, there is a retiring collection for the **Catholic Youth Service** of the Archdiocese. This is our annual collection to support the work of the Kenelm Youth Trust who provide the Youth Services within the Archdiocese.

### World Youth Sunday

This Sunday we celebrate the Solemnity of Christ the King. It is also World Youth Day, a day to celebrate the role and significance of young people in the Church. We pray for the Kenelm Youth Trust, our diocesan youth service, and support their work through the second collection. The money supports the vital work of KYT, supporting young people in our Archdiocese through Alton Castle and Soli Retreat centres, in parishes and in schools. You can donate directly to KYT at <https://donorbox.org/urgent-appeal>

Please be assured of the prayers of the staff and volunteers of KYT for you and your parish communities. Please pray for all involved with KYT and the young people we minister to, that they have the courage to ‘Stand Up!’ and be witnesses of faith.

## Senior Advisor with the Diocesan Education Service



Archdiocese of Birmingham  
Diocesan Education Service

The Birmingham Diocesan Education Service (BDES) are looking to appoint a Senior Advisor. The role of Senior Advisor (senior Leadership Recruitment and Training) is a new role at the BDES. In this time of transformation and innovation we are looking for someone to join our small but high impact team to support the BDES in effectively advising on senior leadership recruitment and selection for protected positions across the Archdiocese as well as supporting aspiring and existing leaders in their faith formation, training and development – ensuring that our shared mission as well as best practice informs all aspects of our work. For more information please visit <http://www.bdes.org.uk/senior-adviser-role.html>.

The closing date for applications is 12noon on Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> November 2021

### Parish Council AGM

This **Thursday, 25<sup>th</sup> November, at 7.30pm**, following the celebration of Mass, we will be holding our Parish Council AGM – the first one in two years. The Parish Council meetings are open to everyone, so please do come along and get involved with the future planning for the life of our parish and its activities.

### Special Sunday ‘Coffee’ Morning

On Sunday the **28<sup>th</sup> November**, we will be holding a cake morning along with tea and coffee in aid of the **Walsall Life House**. Please come along to support this event, and enjoy a cake with your cup of tea (or coffee).

### Praying for the Unborn



We pray for the families and friends of pregnant women. That they would recognise their responsibilities to care for the mother and child, and that they would shower them with love and support through the journey of pregnancy and beyond. Amen

### Baptism Enquiries

If you would like to have your child Baptised here at St. Mary of the Angels please visit the 'Baptismal Enquiry' page of the parish website using the following link:

<https://www.catholicaldridge.co.uk/baptismal-enquiries.html>

Here you can complete a 'Baptism Enquiry Form'. The next available dates for Baptism Preparation are:

**7pm Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> February 2022**

**7pm Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> April**

**7pm Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> June**

### St. Joseph's Nechells

Each year as a parish we collect presents for the children of St. Joseph's School in Nechells. Sadly, this year, as last, due to COVID-19 this will not be possible, as the school cannot distribute the gifts to the families. This is a real shame as the gifts are greatly appreciated by the children. This year, as last instead of donating presents, I wonder if we could collect the money normally spent on the presents, in order to provide the children with a Christmas Meal in school before the end of term. If you would like to contribute towards this please put your money in an envelope marked 'St. Joseph's' and pop it through the Presbytery door.

### Sacrament of the Sick

Please remember to inform Fr. Craig directly in case of sickness, especially if it requires hospital treatment or a prolonged absence from Mass. If you cannot inform the clergy yourself it is then your family who should take on this responsibility.

And finally:- On the Solemnity of Christ the King, being also National Youth Sunday, it has been the tradition of this Parish to invite the children of Y6 and their parents to come to Mass in order to make their commitment to preparing for the Sacrament of Confirmation. On this day the 9.30 Parish Mass normally attracts large numbers, much larger than usual. Given the current situation with regards to the COVID figures in the area I, along with the Mrs. O'Hara, think it best that the Mass of Commitment takes place on a different day. This year, therefore, the children preparing for Confirmation and their parents will be attending Mass on Thursday afternoon. During the course of the Mass, under normal circumstance, you the parishioners are invited to pray for the children in Y6, and their parents, as they begin the important journey of preparation for the reception of the Sacrament of Confirmation. Whilst it is not going to be possible for you to be present I still invite you to keep these families in your prayers from this Sunday until they receive the Sacrament in March. Let us pray that Christ may truly be the King of their hearts and lives, and that the Holy Spirit may inspire them to respond to God's call in their lives with generosity and love.

*May God bless and protect you all. Fr. Craig*