



# CHURCHES OF CHRIST THE KING & HOLY CROSS

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## Sunday 9th November 2025

**YOUR SERVICES THIS WEEK: Dedication of the Lateran Basilica (Cycle of Readings Year C; Weekday Cycle Year 1)**

**Saturday 8th November**

**Dedication of the Lateran Basilica**

**Mass: 17:00 (HC) Holy Souls +**

**Sunday 9th November**

**Dedication of the Lateran Basilica**

**Mass: 09:00 (CTK) Chris & Sean**

**Sunday 9th November**

**Dedication of the Lateran Basilica**

**Mass: 10:30 (CTK) War Dead +**

**Monday 10th November**

**Memorial of St Leo the Great**

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**Tuesday 11th November**

**Memorial of St Martin of Tours**

**Mass: 10:00 (CTK)**

**Wednesday 12th November**

**Memorial of St Josaphat**

**Mass: 10:00 (CTK)**

**Thursday 13th November**

**Weekday in Ordinary Time**

**Mass: 9.15 (HC)**

**Friday 14th November**

**Memorial of the Beatified Martyrs of the Diocese**

**Mass: 10:00 (CTK)**

**Saturday 15th November**

**Thirty Third Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**Mass: 17:00 (HC) Holy Souls +**

**Sunday 16th November**

**Thirty Third Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**Mass: 09:00 (CTK) Holy Souls +**

**Sunday 16th November**

**Thirty Third Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**Mass: 10:30 (CTK)**

**(CTK) = CHRIST THE KING**

**(HC) = HOLY CROSS**

**Live Stream:** the Sunday 9.00am and 10.30am Masses at Christ The King are available on Live Stream for those unable to attend in person:

[Live Services – Christ The King & Holy Cross](#)

**Confessions:** Are available by request, before or after Mass, please ask Father Frank for a convenient time.

**Holy Hour: Prayer before the Blessed Sacrament –Thursday 10.30-11.30**  
**Diocesan Prayer League: St Edmund, Calne and St Anthony of Padua, Melksham**

**Mass Book: Year C Volume 2:**

**Page 202 (Dedication of the Lateran Basilica)**

Christ the King Church is open most days for  
private prayer from **10am to 4pm**



**John: 2:13-22 'He was speaking about the temple of his body'**



**Reflection:** The Dedication of the Lateran Basilica is a Feast Day which is celebrated by the entire church worldwide but not always on a Sunday as it is this weekend. The feast dates to the 4th Century shortly after Emperor Constantine's conversion to Christianity. Constantine built the first great public church in Christian history, which in time became the first official cathedral of Rome, and the seat of the Pope, long before Saint Peter's which we know about now.

Today is also a day which reminds us of the importance of our own parish churches at Christ the King and Holy Cross in which we gather each week, in union with all other churches around the world.

As Jesus reminds us in this weekend's Gospel, it is in the Body of Christ which we celebrate in Communion with one another, that lies our true home.

**Remembrance Sunday:** this weekend we pray for and commemorate all who have died in the two World wars and subsequent hostilities and whose contributions to peace and freedom should never be forgotten. *"They shall grow not old, as we that are left grow old: Age shall not weary them, nor the years condemn. At the going down of the sun and in the morning, we will remember them."* There will be a minute's silence at all Masses this weekend in honour of all who have lost their lives through conflicts.

## Holy Cross

**Coffee after Mass** - Saturday 8th November

### Reading Rota

8th November – Hazel Vaughan

15th November – Bella Warren

### Welcome Rota

8th November – Elaine Godfrey

15th November – Meg Carter

### Monthly Rosary

4:40pm Saturday 6th December

### Remembrance Day Service – Sunday 9th November

The Annual Act of Remembrance will take place at the War Memorial at 10.30am followed by a service at St Mary's Church (seating from 11.15am, with the service to start after the parade is seated). All welcome.



## November

### The Month of the Holy Souls

Please take an envelope from the back of the Church and return it with a list of deceased relatives and friends who you wish to be prayed for during the month of November. The list will be placed at the foot of the altar and will be remembered in all services during the Month of the Holy Souls.

*Eternal rest grant unto them O Lord and let perpetual light shine upon them. May they rest in peace. Amen*

### CTK Children's Liturgy ("Little Church")

Children's Liturgy ("Little Church") will take place this Sunday 9th November during the 10:30am Mass.

### Foodbank

The November and December lists have been combined, in order to cover Christmas. Please see the list on the noticeboard and on the box, noting that we are asked not to buy mince pies, as they may contain alcohol. Plenty of other items will be welcome, though - thank you for all contributions.

### Mass for the Deceased

There will be a Mass for the deceased of the St Wulstan Pastoral Area on **Tuesday 18th November at 11:00am at Saint Patrick's Church, Brockworth**. All are welcome. There will be tea and coffee in the parish hall afterwards.

### CAFOD

The World Gift catalogues are available now - please take one from the back of church for ideas for Christmas presents that will help CAFOD's work. For news of CAFOD's response to the conflict in Sudan, please see [here](#)

### Congratulations!

We congratulate Sean Mullane who was baptised at Christ the King Church on Saturday 1st of November. May God bless Sean, his parents, godparents, and family.

### Fairtrade (CTK)

The next stall will be after Masses on Christ the King Sunday (23rd November).

### CTK 200 Club

October Prize Winner: Nick Baskerville £200.

### Operation Elf - HMP Eastwood Park

If you feel this is something you may wish to contribute to, please leave your unwrapped gift (no more than £15) in the Sacristy at CTK or Holy Cross Church **by Wednesday 10th December latest** marked "Operation Elf." These will be collected by volunteers from both churches and passed on to Eastwood Park on Friday 12th December. Thank you.

### News from the Salvatorians in Britain & Ireland

The latest edition of "The Apostle", dated November 2025, is now available at the back of the Church for you to read and take home. The edition marks the 125th Anniversary of St Joseph's Catholic Church in Harrow, Wealdstone (1901-2025).

## Octopus – Thank you!

Octopus Drama Group would like to say a huge thank you to those parishioners who came along to our World War 2 Memorial Evening on 18th October. It was great to see so many of you there and we are delighted to tell you that, thanks to your generosity, we raised a magnificent £750 which we will be donating to the local branch of The Royal British Legion. Thanks again and we hope to see you all at our Pantomime, Cinderella, in early January. Tickets go on sale at Rosie and Rex Gift Shop in Thornbury High St from Saturday 6th December.



### Christ The King Weekend (22nd and 23rd November)

This year we celebrate the 100th year since the institution of the Feast of Christ the King by Pope Pius XI in 1925. All Parishioners from both Holy Cross and Christ the King are invited to come and share in the celebrations

which will take place over the **weekend of the 22nd and 23rd November**.



On Saturday 22nd, there will be music by "Vital Signs" (Fr George's brothers and others) with a short Quiz during the interval. The evening will start at 7.30pm (prompt) in the Main Hall at Porch House. Please bring your own drinks, table snacks will be provided.

After the 10.30am Mass at CTK on Sunday 23rd, there will be a **children's entertainer** for our younger Parishioners and a **glass of wine and nibbles** for those young at heart. Please make a note of these events in your diary and come along if you can. We very much look forward to seeing you there, particularly those who may be new to our Parish Churches.

### Do you wish to become a Catholic?

If anyone would like to explore what "being a Catholic" means or may be interested in discussing this further, there will be a meeting at CTK on **Sunday 16th November in the Parlour following the 10:30am Mass**.

### Recently Deceased

Please pray for the repose of the soul of Mario Vuolo who died recently. We also pray for Mario's family at this sad time. A requiem Mass for Mario will take place at CTK Church on Thursday 20th November at 10.00am, followed by interment at Thornbury Cemetery.

### Prayers

Please remember in your prayers all our Parishioners who are ill, in hospital or housebound particularly Carrie Sidoli, Peter Bradshaw, Tony Gaynor, Mary (Maureen) Fawcett, Michael Bishop, Mary McCoy.

### Anniversaries

We remember those whose anniversaries occur around this time. May they rest in peace Stephen Hodsman, George Cook, Roy Dorey, Matt Doyle, John McKie, Ida McLevy, Lisa Sharp, Jane Murphy, Rosina Baterman, Carmel Hendrian, Sheila Lloyd, Arthur Nobes, John Murphy.

### Christ the King Forthcoming Dates

Quiz Night ..... 19:30 Wednesday 19th November  
Music Night ... 20.00 Sunday 9th November  
Friday Music Night ..... 19:30 Friday 7th November

### CTK Readers, Offertory and Music

| Date     | 9.00 Reader | 10.30    |             | Collector       | Music      |
|----------|-------------|----------|-------------|-----------------|------------|
|          |             | Reader 1 | Reader 2    |                 |            |
| 9th Nov  | P Wells     | M Gilroy | P Morrissey | D & N Waters    | Choir      |
| 16th Nov | P O'Rourke  | P Davey  | D Nicholls  | P & L Morrissey | Folk Group |

### Christ the King Church Cleaning Rota

Mon 3rd & 10th Nov J Brown, F Jamieson, S De La Torre  
Mon 17th & 24th Nov M. Gilroy & K Byrne

### CTK Weekend Coffee Rota

Sunday 9th November: M Gilroy & M Cullimore  
Sunday 16th November: S Emm & J Wallis

### Special Ministers (CTK) Rota

9th Nov: 9:00 T Fernandez/S Evans 10:30 M Scott/D Nicholls  
16th Nov: 9:00 M O'Leary/N McCarthy 10:30 R Hetherington/J Wallis