

CHURCHES OF CHRIST THE KING & HOLY CROSS

Served by the Society of the Divine Saviour – The Salvatorians

Priest in Residence: Father Frank Waters, SDS

Parish Administrator: Deacon Lawrence McCarthy (Mobile: 07914 380082)

Deacons: Reverend Kingsley Fulbrook & Reverend Lawrence McCarthy

Parish Admin Support: Debbie Nicholls

11 Castle Street, Thornbury, Bristol, BS35 1HA

15 Old Town, Wotton-under-Edge Gloucestershire, GL12 7DH

Telephone: 01454 412223 (Office)

Christ the King Primary School, Easton Hill Road: Headteacher: Mrs Mary Mainwaring Tel: 01454 866680

website: www.ckandholycross.org.uk

email: thornbury.christtheking@cliftondiocese.com



CLIFTON DIOCESE (a Company Limited by Guarantee registered in England and Wales under number 10462076. A registered charity number 1170168.
Registered Office: St Ambrose North Road Leigh Woods Bristol BS8 3PW

Salvatorian Trustees Registered Charity No 231410

Sunday 25th October 2026

YOUR SERVICES THIS WEEK: Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time (Cycle of Readings Year A; Weekday Cycle Year 2)

Saturday 24th October

Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Mass: 17:00 (HC) Jill Pearce (Sick)

Sunday 25th October

Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Mass: 09:00 (CTK) June Lawton & intentions

Sunday 25th October

Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Mass: 10:30 (CTK) Hannah Twemlow +

Monday 26th October

Weekday in Ordinary Time

.....

Tuesday 27th October

Weekday in Ordinary Time

Mass: 10:00 (CTK) Rodrigo Espirito Santo +

Wednesday 28th October

Feast of Saints Simon and Jude

Mass: 10:00 (CTK) Adams Family

Thursday 29th October

Weekday in Ordinary Time

Mass: 9:15 (HC)

Friday 30th October

Weekday in Ordinary Time

Mass: 10:00 (CTK)

Saturday 31st October

Solemnity of All Saints

Mass: 17:00 (HC) Nick Reed +

Sunday 1st November

Solemnity of All Saints

Mass: 09:00 (CTK) Bill McBride +

Sunday 1st November

Solemnity of All Saints

Mass: 10:30 (CTK) Quentin Wallington +

(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](#)

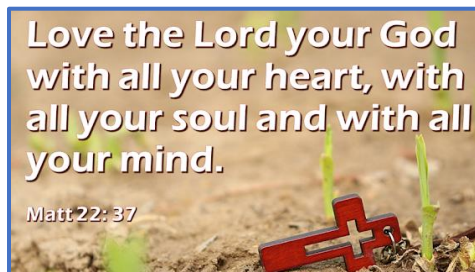
Confessions: Are available by request, before or after Mass, please ask Father Frank for a convenient time.

Holy Hour: Prayer before the Blessed Sacrament –Thursday 10.30-11.30
Diocesan Prayer League: St Mary-on-the-Quay, Bristol with St James Priory

Mass Book: Year A Volume 2:

Page 146 (Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time)

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



Matthew 22: 34-40 "You shall love the Lord your God and your neighbour as yourself."

Reflection: There is a legend handed down from the early Church about John, the beloved disciple of Jesus. Of the twelve original apostles, only John lived to a ripe old age. In his later years, not only his body but also his eyesight and his mind began to fail him. Eventually, according to the legend, John's mind had deteriorated to the point that he could only speak six words, one sentence, which he would repeat over and over. You can imagine the high regard in which the early Church must have held the last surviving apostle of Jesus. The legend says that every Lord's Day, John would be carried into the midst of the congregation that had assembled for worship in the Church at Ephesus where John spent the last years of his life. Total silence would fall over the congregation, even though they already knew what John was going to say. Then the old man would speak the words, "My little children, love one another." — Over and over, he would repeat them until he grew tired from talking, and no one yawned, or looked at his watch, or gazed off into space absentmindedly. They listened as John preached his six-word sermon over and over: "My little children, love one another."

In this weekend's Gospel, we are reminded of the greatest commandment of them all: namely, to respond to God's love for us by loving God in return, and then to express that love in action by loving our neighbour too. Our love for God is put into practice by the way we love others as God loves us.

Holy Cross

Welcome Rota

24 October Kate Barlow 31 October Philippa Simpson

Reading Rota

24 October Hazel Vaughan 31 October Maria Little

Coffee after Mass

Saturday 14 November

Monthly Rosary

4:40pm Saturday 7 November

Shared Supper and Raffle

There will be a shared supper and raffle evening after the 5.00pm Mass on Saturday 24 October. All welcome. If anyone would like to donate Prizes for the Raffle in aid of Church Funds, please leave these in the box by the Porch entrance to the Church. Thank you.

CAFOD - Thank you for all contributions to the Family Fast Day appeal. The collection will remain open until the end of October for any outstanding donations - please leave these in the sacristy, donate on-line or use the Dona machine at the back of church.

Foodbank (CTK) -The list of items requested for October may be found on the noticeboard. It includes tinned goods and toiletries. Across the area as a whole, donations are down, so rest assured that anything you are able to contribute will be appreciated.

Fairtrade There will be a stall in the hall after Masses this Sunday, 25 October.

The Apostle

The latest edition of "The Apostle", news from the Salvatorians in Britain and Ireland, is now available. Please take a copy away with you when you leave Church this weekend.

Solemnity of All Saints and All Souls Day

The Solemnity of All Saints will take place over the weekend of Saturday 31 October and Sunday 1 November. Masses will be at the usual times of 5.00pm at Holy Cross (Saturday 31 October) and 9.00am and 10.30am at CTK (Sunday 1 November). There will also be a school Mass for All Saints at CTK school on Monday 2 November at 10:30am. All welcome.

All Souls Day will be on Monday 2 November and there will be an evening Mass at CTK Church at 7:30pm to celebrate this occasion. 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



Reminder! That British Summer Time ends this Saturday (24 October) – please put your clocks back an hour overnight that evening.



Rite of Christian Initiation
for Adults

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, please speak in confidence with one of the Parish Clergy after Mass or contact the Parish Office in the first instance.

There will be an introductory meeting for all who may wish to join the RCIA Programme for the coming year on **Sunday 8 November after the 10.30am Mass at Christ the King Church.** (Venue: Parlour Room in Porch House).

Recently Deceased

Please pray for the repose of the soul of Bryan Painter who died recently. Bryan's funeral details are to follow.

Prayers

Please remember in your prayers all our Parishioners who are ill, in hospital or housebound particularly Mario & Carrie Sidoli, Mairead O'Donnell, Vincent Costello and Jill Pearce.

Anniversaries

We remember those whose anniversaries occur around this time. May they rest in peace: Mary Pioli, Cliff O'Carroll, Quentin Wallington, Charles Sheehan, Monti Malberbe, James Moloney, Austin Valley, Owen Sellars, Ron Nicholas, John Murphy, Ernest Thomas, Lily Coady, Brian McClinton, Annette Keogh, Jim Coady, Mario Vuolo, Mary Wadley, Helen Robins.

Christ the King Forthcoming Dates

Sunday Music Night ... 19:00 25 Oct
Friday Coffee 10.30 6 Nov
Wednesday Quiz Night 19:30 4 Nov
Friday Music Night 19:30 6 Nov
Children's Liturgy (Little Church) 10:30 8 Nov

CTK Readers, Offertory and Music

Date	9:00	10.30		Collectors	Music
	Reader	Readings	Bidding Prayers & Antiphon		
25 Oct	P Wells	A Collins	M Wallis	L & S Emm	Organ
1 Nov	G Hunter	P McGillan	F Pollard	J & H Lewis	Folk

Christ the King Church Cleaning Rota

Mon: 19 & 26 October: J Brown, F Jamieson & S De La Torre
Mon: 2 & 9 November: M Gilroy & K Byrne

CTK Weekend Coffee Rota

25 Oct: A Clarke & Family 1 Nov: M Gilroy & M Cullimore

Special Ministers (CTK) Rota

25 Oct: 09:00 T Fernandez/S Evans 10:30 J Wallis/R Hetherton
1 Nov: 09:00 M O'Leary/N McCarthy 10:30 M Scott/D Nicholls

Grass Cutting Rota (CTK) * once every 2 weeks

w/c 19 October M Wallis

Taizé Service (St Arilda's Oldbury) Sunday 15 November at 6pm

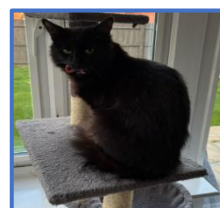
All are welcome to this special candlelit service at St Arilda's, which will follow the Taizé pattern of beautiful meditative chants with readings, prayers and a time of silence. If you would like to join the (very informal) choir for the evening and sing a part, or can bring along an instrument to play, please get in touch with Sophia: sophiaacland@gmail.com who will send you the music in advance. Many thanks!

Join us this October half term for South Gloucestershire's Great Big Bulb Planting Week!

South Gloucestershire Council will be planting up to 6000 bulbs to bring spring colour to the open spaces across the County and will be in Thornbury on **Friday 30 October**. All are invited anytime between 10am and 2pm to help and plant some bulbs! Please see details on the Church Noticeboard or click [here](#) to sign up.

Parish Pastoral Council (PPC)

The minutes from the PPC meeting held on Tuesday 13 October are now available on the Parish website to view. Please click [here](#) to see these.



Some Good News - Nacho the Cat!

For those who attended the 9.00am Mass at CTK last Sunday (18 Oct), we are delighted to say that Nacho the Cat (Kitten) has returned home and is back safe and sound with his happy owners! We enjoyed you being with us for the Mass Nacho! Welcome home!