

22 November 2020

## Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

Sundays Year A – Weekdays Year 2 – Psalter Week 2



St Joseph's Parish, Diocese of Northampton

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Today is **NATIONAL YOUTH SUNDAY**. We celebrate the young people in our parish and community and all the gifts and talents they share with us. This year the theme is "Together". It calls all young people to think about what following Jesus means to them. The COVID-19 pandemic has affected every part of life. The way we live, work, study, play and pray has all changed. The most significant change has been that we have not been able to do many of those things together. This year's theme recognises what it means to be 'together'; with ourselves, with others and with God. Whilst our parish community can't be together physically as we were, we are united together in prayer. This weekend please pray especially for the young people of our parish.

24 November Ss Andrew Dũng-Lạc, Priest, and Companions, Martyrs – Memorial

● **WASH HANDS** ● **COVER FACE** ● **MAKE SPACE** ●  
The Most Holy Name Church, the Bridgettine Convent and the Parish Office remain closed until further notice.

**RECENTLY DECEASED:** Your prayers are requested for the repose of the soul of **Alex Trillo** who died recently, may he rest in peace. We extend our sympathy to all his family and friends.

**RECENTLY DECEASED:** Your prayers are requested for the repose of the soul of **Joan Roberts** who died recently, may she rest in peace. We extend our sympathy to all her family and friends.

**RECENTLY DECEASED:** Your prayers are requested for the repose of the soul of **Grace Gaskell** who died recently, may she rest in peace. We extend our sympathy to all her family and friends.

**HOLY SOULS:** This month we pray especially for our departed relatives and friends, members of our parish and those who have no one to pray for them. Please call the Priory or [email the Parish Office](#) with names of those you would like included in our golden Holy Souls box on the altar so we can remember them in our prayers.

Please **PRAY FOR THE SICK** of our parish and those who care for them. May the Lord comfort and relieve them in their illness and give them patience in their suffering.



**MASSES:** Although we can't physically gather together for Liturgies in our churches, we continue to broadcast live from St Joseph's in real time via our live stream at [www.stjosephs.org.uk/Live](http://www.stjosephs.org.uk/Live).

**Currently churches are only permitted to allow people to enter for private individual prayer and funerals.**

### INDIVIDUAL PRAYER AT ST JOSEPH'S CHURCH

We plan for the church to be open at the following times:

- **Tuesday 24 November**  
1pm to 2pm for Private Prayer
- **Friday 27 November**  
5:30pm to 6:30pm for Holy Hour

There will be **NO EVENING MASS** or **ROSARY CIRCLE** via live stream this coming Friday 27 November.

**STATIONS OF THE INFANCY:** An opportunity to prepare for Christmas in the Season of Advent is offered in our Pastoral Area. We will use Stations of the Infancy by Fr Denis McBride for our reflection. The book is beautifully produced with colourful artwork, prayers and reflections covering important events around the birth of Jesus and the role of his Mother Mary. On Mondays to Fridays from 30 November to 18 December we will run daily sessions via Zoom when we will pray and reflect on one station each day. Sessions will last about 30 minutes. To order your copy of the book and register to join the sessions please [click here for the online registration form](#). We have pre-ordered some books and these are available at the reduced price of £10.00 each (full price is £12.95). Please **register by Monday 23 November** so we can be sure we have enough books.

**FAMILY ADVENT ZOOM:** Following our recent survey, Children's Liturgy has decided to run a Zoom session for families to mark the beginning of Advent next **Sunday 29 November at 10am**. Everyone is welcome to this fun and festive session! We will briefly talk about the four readings of Advent and discuss the Advent Wreath. By popular request there will be singing with Mrs Jacobson and we will also have some themed craft activities. If you would like to join us please [click here to sign up](#) and we can then email you the Zoom meeting details.

## ADVENT TALKS “Faith Search – The Spirit of Carmel”:

Carmelite Spirituality lays emphasis on each person possessing an experience of God. Unique to the journey of faith is the individual's encounter with the mystery of God. Participating in our Saturday series during Advent we invite you to explore by reflecting on some of the wisdom and insight given to this well-worn spiritual tradition. We hope our time together will be engaging and encouraging for people to contribute as the themes you will be exploring touch on common issues and concerns any person on a journey faith encounters. Starting next **Saturday 28 November** delivered via live stream from **10am until 12 noon**. [Click here to register](#).

“**PRAYER IN DIFFICULT TIMES**”: Fr Matt Blake's talks, drawing on the Carmelite tradition to help us pray and live deeply our Christian lives during lockdown, continue on Mondays 23 and 30 November at 10am, repeated again at 8pm. Available from [www.carmelitechurch.org](http://www.carmelitechurch.org) or via You Tube “Kensington Carmelite Church”.

## CHRISTIAN HEALING MISSION – RECEIVE & REFLECT:

You are invited to this online prayer session which begins with a short scripture reflection followed by a time of Encounter Prayer, both led by Rev John Ryeland. The 45-minute session helps us to bring our concerns to God. The next opportunity is 27 November at 10am (more dates in December). [Please click here to register](#).

**ONLINE MARRIAGE SUPPORT:** Is your marriage under stress? SmartLoving BreakThrough can help! Identify your conflict triggers, learn strategies to de-escalate an argument and find constructive ways to re-establish connection. Available anywhere, anytime through our online platform, the course is completely private and doesn't require your spouse to participate. And it's subsidized by a generous UK donor. Restore hope for your relationship now – [click here for details](#).

**POPE FRANCIS' PRAYER INTENTION** for November is **Artificial Intelligence**: that the progress of robotics and artificial intelligence may always serve humankind.

**ST JOSEPH'S CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL** invites prospective parents and pupils to its virtual open event. [Watch a video about life at St Joseph's](#) and/or [read the school prospectus](#). [Contact the school](#) for more details.

**2020 PARISH ANNUAL REPORT:** An abridged annual report has been produced. Please [click here to read it](#).

## Sunday Mass Times

St Joseph's, Chalfont St Peter: Saturday Vigil Mass at 5:30pm, Sunday at 7:45am, 9am, 11am and 5:30pm \*

Holy Name, Denham: *Suspended until further notice*

Bridgettine Convent, Iver Heath: *Suspended until further notice*

**The following take place at St Joseph's, Chalfont St Peter**

**Weekday Mass:** Monday to Friday at 7am and 9am, Saturday and Bank Holidays at 10am \*

**Rosary:** Tuesday and Friday at 7.30pm \*

**\*ALL BROADCAST VIA LIVE STREAM\***

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**TRAIDCRAFT CHRISTMAS GIFTS AND CARDS** are now available online at [www.traidcraftshop.co.uk](http://www.traidcraftshop.co.uk). You can also order from your local Traidcraft organiser, **Margaret Dykes** [via email](#) or by phone on 01494 874511. Orders would be delivered safely to your doorstep.

A **BIG THANK YOU** from the SVP for the wonderful reply from parishioners to their appeal for a boy's warm coat.

**THE LONDON & SLOUGH RUN** continues **Monday 23 November**. Our guests have not been allowed back into hotels, so they are still wandering the streets. Please bring your sandwiches, boiled eggs, soft fruit, crisps, drinks, individually wrapped cakes and small chocolate biscuit bars to the **Parish Centre by 12 noon on Monday**. The number of families in need is increasing, especially due to one-hour contracts. **WE ARE IN URGENT NEED OF POT NOODLES, PORRIDGE PACKETS, INDIVIDUAL CARTONS OF APPLE/ORANGE JUICE, GREEN TOP MILK, SUGAR, COFFEE, RICE, CRISPS, TINNED MEAT AND TINNED VEGETABLES.**

We are also **appealing for single bedlinen**, clean and in good condition – duvet covers, sheets and pillow cases.

Very many thanks to everyone for their generosity so far.

The **NOVEMBER 200 CLUB DRAW** was held the day before the current lockdown began. The monthly prize-fund of £920 is shared by four lucky winners as follows:

1 <sup>st</sup>	J Devine (£460)
2 <sup>nd</sup>	T Smit (£230)
3 <sup>rd</sup>	M Clayburn (£138)
4 <sup>th</sup>	P Freeman (£92)

Many thanks to all members who support our 200 Club and congratulations to this month's lucky winners!

**GET IN TOUCH!** All parishioners should have received a letter from Fr Michael about our Autumn Raffle. If not, it may be that you are not registered with the parish or we had to deactivate your record for GDPR compliance as we had no reply to last year's census. Please contact us via [admin@stjosephs.org.uk](mailto:admin@stjosephs.org.uk). If you are new to the area and want to be included then [please register here](#).

**RAFFLE RETURNS:** Please send your counterfoils and payment to the Priory by post or drop through letterbox.

**THIS NEWSLETTER IS ONLY AVAILABLE ONLINE.**