



St. Raphael's Church

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24th November 2019 – Christ The King (C)

9.30am Family Mass Patrick De Laughery RIP

11.30am Mass with Hymns Anita Alkiviades RIP

5.00pm Quiet Mass Missa Pro Populo

Rosary & Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament at 4.00pm

Mon. 25th November Feria in Ordinary Time

10.00am Archbishop Michael Bowen RIP

Tue. 26th November Feria in Ordinary Time

10.00am Teresa Cook RIP

Wed. 27th November Feria in Ordinary Time

12.00noon Rev. Maurice Lloyd Nicholas

Thu. 28th November Feria in Ordinary Time (Latin Mass Novus Ordo)

10.00am Mark Dixon

Followed by Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, praying for vocations to the priesthood. Concludes with Benediction at 12.00noon.

Fri. 29th November Feria in Ordinary Time

10.00am Kelly Dalglish RIP

(A day of abstinence when Catholics should abstain from eating meat)

Sat. 30th November St. Andrew

10.00am Shelia Anderson RIP

1st December 2019 – 1st Sunday of Advent (A)

9.30am Family Mass Elizabeth Garry RIP

11.30am Mass with Hymns Kelly Dalglish RIP

5.00pm Quiet Mass Missa Pro Populo

Rosary & Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament at 4.00pm

ADVENT READING – 'MY DAY BY DAY'

Next Sunday, is the first Sunday of Advent and copies of the Advent edition of 'My Day by Day' are available at the back of the Church - they cost £1.00 (Please put money in the box marked Newspapers.) This little book offers helpful readings and reflections for every day during advent and is an excellent way to prepare for Christmas.

THANK YOU FOR LAST SUNDAY'S COLLECTION'S

£668.50 loose + 328.05 Gift Aid
= £996.55

There will be a 2nd collection today for the Catholic Youth Service

CONFESSIONS -

Sun. 9.00am – 9.20am

& 4.30pm – 4.50pm

Sat. 10.30am – 11.00am

The Rosary is recited daily in the Church

Monday – Saturday before Mass & 4.00pm on Sundays.

CHILDREN'S LITURGY-

Sundays during the 9.30am Mass in Alexander House.

1st HOLY COMMUNION CLASSES -

Saturday at 10.30am in Alexander House.

RCIA –

Monday 8.00pm in the Library.

SUNDAY ROSARY & BENEDICTION -

4.00pm.

THURSDAY EXPOSITION -

After Mass on Thursday concluding with Benediction at 12.00noon.

TEA AND COFFEE -

There is tea and coffee in the hall after the morning Masses today and after the midday Mass on Wednesdays. Please join us and say hello.

HOSPITAL -

If you, or a member of your family, are admitted to Kingston Hospital you need to inform ward staff that you are a Roman Catholic and would like to see the Catholic Chaplain. If you are calling on behalf of someone in the hospital, please call the hospital main switchboard - 0208 546 7711. The Switchboard will contact the Roman Catholic Chaplain. If you need the Sacrament of the Sick at home, please speak to Fr. Michael.



St. Joseph's - Our Catholic Primary and Nursery School

The Fairfield, Kingston Upon Thames, KT1 2UP.

Tel. 020 8546 7178

E.mail office@stjosephs.rbksch.org

Web. www.stjosephs.kingston.sch.uk

Boys & Girls Aged 3-11. Breakfast Club & After School Club.

Head teacher – Mrs Sarah Keefe

Rated Good by Ofsted

HEALING MASS

There will be a Healing Mass with praise and worship at 7.45pm on tomorrow Monday 25th November at St. Joseph's church, 1 Montem Road New Malden KT3 3QW. All welcome.

CHRISTMAS STAMPS

The Post Office have issued this year's Christmas Stamps. Remember, when you buy your stamps for your Christmas Cards – ask for the religious ones. Otherwise, you will only get snow scenes and the Post Office will say there is no call for religious stamps!

CHRISTMAS LUNCH ON JESUS FESTIVE HAMPERS TO FAMILIES IN NEED

Last December, Doxa Deo Community Church ran the 'Christmas Lunch on Jesus' project which funded, packed and distributed 850 full Christmas hampers to families in need across South West London. Once again this year the project will run on the 20th and 21st December at Tolworth United Reformed Church. If you would like to be involved in donating towards hampers or packing and distributing hampers, please go to www.christmaslunchonjesus.org.uk.

FLOWER ARRANGERS

We desperately need more people to help with flower arranging in the Church – we are currently down to two people! If you like flowers and would like to come and help decorate the church, then please contact Janet Johnstone at jjohnstoneecho@hotmail.com or tel. 07910 802773. You do not need to be an expert florist just keen to come once a month and enjoy arranging flowers for our beautiful church.

FREE TO A GOOD HOME - FRANCONIA GUITAR

Practically new, needs a good home, it has a companion music book. Please contact Christine, 0208 399 4297

CHRISTMAS CARD COMPETITION

All children aged 6 to 11 are invited to design a Christmas card and submit an entry to The Centre for Catholic Formation by Monday 9th December. Six winners will be chosen to receive a 'Jesse Box'. Please visit our website www.ccftootingbec.org.uk for more information.

ELECTION HUSTINGS

Churches and charities from across the Royal Borough will be hosting an Election Hustings on Tuesday 3rd December at Surbiton Hill Methodist Church from 7.30pm - 9.30pm, this will be an opportunity for you to meet and ask questions of your prospective parliamentary candidates. There will be a roaming microphone on the night or if you would prefer you can submit your question to be read by the chair for the evening - email anna@expresscic.org.uk or paul.pickhaver@ddcc.org.uk. Join us for a lively evening!

There will also be an Election Hustings, at All Saints Kingston on Thursday 5th December, 1:00pm to 2:00 pm in the Church. Meet, hear and question all the candidates to be Kingston and Surbiton's next MP. If you have a question to suggest, please email it to lgpacker123@gmail.com or ring 020 8549 1960, by Friday 29 November, giving a phone contact number.



Today as a Church, we conclude our liturgical year and celebrate the Feast of Christ the King. The Gospel we proclaim, shows the great mystery of our faith. In the moment of his crucifixion, Jesus is shown to be King and Saviour of all.

Luke's Gospel has been loaded with surprises - the poor are rich, sinners find salvation and the Kingdom of God is found in our midst. Here we see the greatest surprise of all. We are confronted with the crucified Jesus, whom faith tells us is King and Saviour of all. The irony is that the inscription placed on the cross, perhaps in mockery, contains the profoundest of truth. As the leaders jeer, the thief crucified by his side recognizes Jesus as Messiah and King and finds salvation.

Jesus is King, but not the kind of king we might have imagined or expected. His kingship was hidden from many of his contemporaries, however, those who had the eyes of faith were able to see. As modern disciples of Jesus, we too, struggle at times to recognize Jesus as King. Today's Gospel invites us to make our own judgment - with eyes of faith - we too, recognize that Jesus, the crucified One, is indeed King and Saviour of all.

OPEN AFTERNOON AT ST. JOHN SEMINARY WONERSH

There will be a chance to visit St. John's, our diocesan seminary, Sunday 1st December - First Sunday of Advent. Afternoon Tea and Tours - 3 pm onwards, Sung Evening Prayer - 4.30 pm followed by Mulled Wine and Mince Pies ALL ARE WELCOME – particularly those who might be thinking of priesthood. If you are interested, please e-mail Deacon Peter Sebastian on petersebastian@rcaos.org.uk so that he has an idea of numbers. There is an excellent new film on the life of the seminary - to view it go to: <https://youtu.be/uHHgn0bp0D0>

AID TO THE CHURCH IN NEED - REDWEDNESDAY 27th NOVEMBER

'RedWednesday' is the time for people of all faiths, and no faith, to come together in solidarity for Christians and others who are oppressed, forced from their homes, rejected from education and jobs and very often killed just because of their religion. For too long the West has stood by and done very little for the many, many people who are imprisoned, tortured and killed for their religious beliefs. There will be a procession from Parliament Square to Westminster Cathedral at 6.30pm followed by a liturgy in the Cathedral. See the poster in the porch for more information or go to <https://acnuk.org/event/redwednesday-2019/>

SCHOOL OPEN DAYS

St. Joseph's Primary & Nursery School
(Link school with our Parish)

There will be an open day for our Reception class on Tuesday 26th November 2.15 pm - 3.15pm