

Catholic Communities in Burnley East

Christ the King

St Mary of the Assumption

St John the Baptist

NEWSLETTER

Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord 14th April 2019

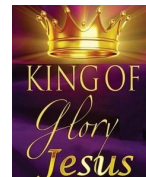
Reflection by Fr David on the Gospel



In today's first Gospel at Mass, the people of Jerusalem welcome Jesus into the city in triumph. In Luke's Gospel, it is the disciples, much to the wrath of the Pharisees who praise God for Jesus saying "Blessings on the King who comes in the name of the Lord". For his followers, he is of course a king: he will become "the King of love on Calvary" a few days later. He is the Eternal King promised through the prophet Nathan to David. Through St Joseph, Jesus is of David's house and line and is therefore the Messiah foretold, who will have a kingdom that shall have no end. This comes through the Death and Resurrection of Jesus, which with Lent almost over, we are now almost ready to celebrate in Holy Week and Easter.

In the second Gospel today, the soldiers do not believe Jesus really is a king, They place a notice onto the cross with the inscription "Jesus of Nazareth King of the Jews". It takes the faith of one of the criminals also hanging on the cross, to truly recognise who Jesus really is: "Jesus, remember me when you come into your Kingdom". This man who has not led a good life remarkably understands what sort of king Jesus really is, and puts his complete faith in Our Lord, who promises salvation to him.

Let us fully acknowledge our faith in the universal and eternal Kingdom also promised to us by Our Saviour and Lord. May this promise be at the centre of our lives in this Holy Week. May we fittingly take part as best we can in the journey that begins with the entrance into Jerusalem and will culminate in the sheer joy and ecstasy of his resurrection next Sunday at Easter. "Hail Redeemer, King Divine".



HOLY WEEK AND EASTER SERVICES IN OUR PARISHES

Maundy Thursday 18th April

Mass of the Last Supper with Washing of Feet

Christ the King

Mass 6.30pm with Watching until 9.00pm

St Mary's

Mass 7.30pm with Watching until Night Prayer at 11.00pm

St John the Baptist

Mass 7.30pm with Watching until 10.00pm

Good Friday April 19th

3.00pm: Celebration of the Passion of the Lord in all three churches

Other Services

Christ the King

10.00am Family Stations of the Cross

St John the Baptist

6.30pm Quiet Hour with the Cross in Memory of Fr Pat Keane

Holy Saturday April 20th

Christ the King: 10.00am Office of Readings and Morning Prayer

There will be one Vigil Mass for all three parishes at St Mary's at 7.00pm.

It will be concelebrated by our team of four of our priests with involvement of parishioners from all three parishes. Refreshments in the Parish Room will follow.

Easter Sunday April 21st

Morning Masses as usual

Mass Intentions

Lately Dead: Christine Marshall, Linda Singleton, Sheila Schofield, Fr Miles Sheahan, Vera Porter

Anniversaries Robert Kennedy, Rita Macken; Graham Howorth, Lilian Sagar, May Hall Richardson, Mary McNamara, Winifred Towler, Michael Reynolds, George Dyer, Christina Howarth, Margaret Hoyle, Mary Coyne, Thomas Lyons.

Birthday Memorials Vincent Kennedy, Roger Fletcher

Other Intentions:

Veronica Wilson, Mary and Family, For a speedy recovery, Jane Burns, In thanksgiving for support during illness

In Memoriam: John Gardiner, Trevor Gardiner, Joseph Anton, Arthur Wilfred Richardson, Joseph Cavanagh, Kathleen Cavanagh, Terry Cavanagh, Dominic Cavanagh, Annelise Cavanagh, Members of the Mulrooney, O'Brien and Swaine families.



New Impact Group for young people.

We are hoping to form a new Impact group for young people aged 13 to 17 years from our three parishes. Our first meeting will be at Christ the King Presbytery on Tuesday 16th April from 6.30pm to 7.45pm. For more details please contact Fr David.

YCW Group. We are hoping to form a new group for young adults aged 18 and over. The Young Christian Workers (YCW) are an international movement, empowering young adults to be leaders and to make a difference with their lives through their faith. Our first meeting is to be held at St Mary's presbytery on Wednesday 17th April at 7pm.

For more information, please contact Fr Kevin.

KSC YOUNG PEOPLE'S SEMINAR

An invitation to all Catholic Young People (16—23) to a Seminar from 16th to 19th July 2019. See the poster in church. Full details are available at ksc.org.uk



Missio Boxes — Christ the King



Can Christ the King parishioners please bring your Red Boxes to church and leave them in the Sacristy over the next four weeks. If this is a problem please call Steve or Francesca on 423469

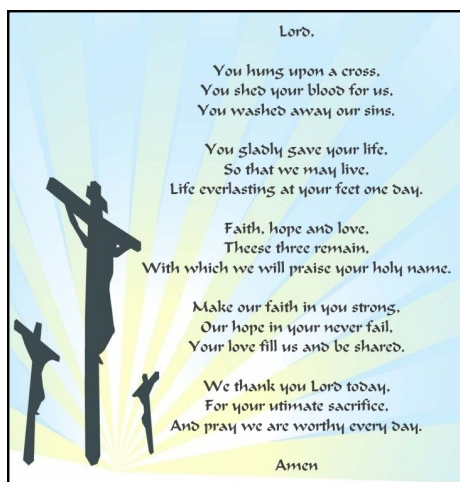
THE NEW PARISH WEBSITE

In less than three weeks we've had nearly 300 visitors, some visiting from as far afield as Ireland, Spain and Poland. We've now made it possible to type in a 'short-hand' form of our new website address? Just type www.ccibe.org.uk and it will get you there! Have an item or announcement for the website?

Our new email addresses: For Christ the King: christtheking@ccibe.org.uk
St Mary's: stmarys@ccibe.org.uk St John's: stjohns@ccibe.org.uk
Or, for cross-parish announcements and events: allchurches@ccibe.org.uk
Or for comments, suggestions, etc about the website itself: website@ccibe.org.uk. We love hearing from you!

VOLUNTEERS ST MARY'S

If you have not yet completed a form could you please collect one from the sacristy and complete. ASAP



Dates for your Diary

St John's Annual Fayre for Pendleside Hospice: Sunday 5th May 10.00—12.30
Parish Hall organised by St John's Ladies Guild. See poster in church.

Emmaus Charity Curry Night Will be on Monday 29th April from 7.00pm at the Usha restaurant. See poster in church.

Slovak Mass at St John's Ivy Street every third Sunday. Next: Easter Sunday 7.00pm



Invitation to the Chrism Mass Wednesday 18th April



The Chrism Mass takes place during Holy Week each year at the Cathedral. It is one of the highlights of the year in the Diocese. It will take place at St John's Cathedral in Salford at 11am on Wednesday 18th April. The Bishop leads the celebration and will bless the Holy Oils used throughout the year. Each parish is allocated just 4 tickets, for people to come and represent their parish. We would prefer these tickets to go to those who have not been before to this celebration.

Therefore If you have not been before and would like to go, please put your name on the sheet at the back of church. In the event of being oversubscribed a simple draw will be made.

What will you do this Holy Week?

We are now into the final week of Lent. It's our opportunity to catch up with our good intentions and do that something extra in honour of the Lord. Our priests and others will offer opportunities to do this.

- **Taize Prayer at All Saints Church:** Padiham Road each Sunday at 6-30pm. The prayer will be simple chants, time of quiet and scripture reading.
- **Stations of the Cross:**
 - **Christ the King:** This Sunday (14th) at 2.30pm, preceded by Exposition and Confessions from 2pm.
 - **St John's:** Wednesday at 6.30pm.
 - **"WITNESS TO THE CROSS"** GOOD FRIDAY at St Andrews Church Duke Bar at 1200 noon. After a silent witness the large cross is then carried to St Johns Ivy Street where a short outdoor service takes place before sharing the CAFOD soup lunch together.
- **St Cuthbert's** on Monday 15th and **St Andrew's** Tuesday 16th, both at 7.30pm.
- **Lenten Talks and Studies ;** A study of "The Mystery of God" Weekly: Tuesdays at St Andrews at 7.30 and Wednesdays at St Peter's at 12.00 noon.



READING MINISTRY ST MARY'S



A new rota is being prepared soon so please tell John Edmondson of any changes you wish him to make please. As a reader you are classed as a Volunteer and must register for the Diocese. Papers available in the Sacristy.

FINANCE



Offertory Collections 7th April:
Christ the King: £632.27 **St Mary's:** ££912.80; CAFOD Collection: £926.21 **St John's:** £685.00

Your generous giving is well reflected on this page. Thank you all for your donations.



Mission Possible

Many thanks for your magnificent support from this appeal ~ it raised in all £1885.18 from our three parishes. They commented how welcome they were made to feel in all three churches. Very well done.

A CHORUS FOR SPRING— CONCERT

Thank you to everyone who helped with the concert. It was lovely music, and we raised about £167 for the parishes.



TRIP TO BUXTON

This will take place on Thursday 25th April.. The trip is now full. All those who put their names as Reserves at St Mary's will be able to come on the trip.



CHRIST THE KING COMMUNITY GROUP



We continue to come together to develop our community in love. You are warmly invited to come to the next meeting of the Christ the King Community

Group, which will be held at the presbytery on Monday 15th April 2019 at 7.15 pm.

POPE FRANCIS' PRAYER INTENTION—APRIL

Doctors and their Collaborators in War Zones

For doctors and their humanitarian collaborators in war zones, who risk their lives to save the lives of others.



SERVICES THIS WEEK

	Feast Days	Christ the King	MASSES St Mary of the Assumption	St John the Baptist	
			Entries in red signify a change from the norm. Where appropriate these are detailed in the 'Changes' panel below.		
MON 15TH APRIL	Weekday	9.15	12.30	9.00	
TUES 16TH	Weekday	9.15	Mass 10.00am 11.00am	12.00 noon	
WED 17TH	Weekday	NO MASS	NO MASS	7.00pm	
THURS 18TH	Maundy Thursday	Please see the front page for our services during the Easter Triduum			
FRI 19TH	Good Friday				
SAT 20TH	Holy Saturday Vigil Mass				
SUN 14TH	Easter Sunday	9.00 10.15	9.45 11.45	9.30 11.00	
OTHER SERVICES					
CHANGES / NEW ST Mary's Tuesday 16th. 11am Funeral Service for Linda Singleton RIP  Holy Week Holy week Services on Front Page			EXPOSITION		
				Mon	Tues after Mass
			ROSARY	Mon	
		M Tu	12.00—12.30		
		30 mins before morning Mass			

THE NEWSLETTER If you want an item included *please put it in writing* and either drop it into your presbytery letterbox, or email to: itemsforfrank@gmail.com. The volume of information is such that we need the information in writing please. Thank you

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