



The Parishes of Our Lady of the Assumption, Maryvale and Christ the King, Kingstanding

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Responsorial Psalm – Psalm 44(45):10-12,16

R: *On your right stands the queen, in garments of gold.*

MASSES THIS WEEK

Sat 14/08/21	12:30 CTK†	Assumption of the BVN Solemnity	Elizabeth McKenna (Anni.)
	18:00 OLAM		Reginald Watts (Anni.)
Sun 15/08/21	10:00 CTK		Delia Byrne (Anni.)
	11:30 OLAM		Rachel Rea, Fr Michael and all at Oscott
Mon 16/08/21	09:30 Mon	Feria in OT – Wk 20	Janina Mikula
	12:00 CTK		Michael Quinn (RIP)
Tue 17/08/21	09:30 Mon	Feria in OT – Wk 20	Eilish Kearney (Anni.)
	12:00 CTK		James Ormsby (RIP)
Wed 18/08/21	09:30 Mon	Feria in OT – Wk 20	Mark & Tom Mikula
	12:00 CTK		PEOPLE OF THE PARISHES
Thu 19/08/21	09:30 Mon	St Bernard, Mem.	Peter Van Nhu Nguyen (RIP)
	12:00 CTK		Deceased of Landale Family
Fri 20/08/21	09:30 Mon	St Bernard, Mem.	John Walsh (Anni.)
	12:00 CTK		Joan Sweeney (RIP)
Sat 21/08/21	10:00 Mon	St Pius X, Mem.	Private Intention
	12:30 CTK	21st Sunday in OT	Harry & Norah Wood (RIP)
	18:00 OLAM		Gerard Ryan (RIP)
Sun 22/08/21	10:00 CTK		Desmond, Rose and Paul Byrne (RIP)
	11:30 OLAM		Sue O'Donoghue (RIP)

Baptism Booking: Parents who would like to arrange for their children to be baptised are to speak to Fr The-Quang after weekend mass. Please make sure you have your details (names of child and parents plus contact details) on a piece of paper.

Wedding booking: Could those who plan to get married in either the church of Christ the King or of Our Lady of the Assumption please see Fr. The at least a year before the wedding.

Confirmation Preparation: If you are in Secondary Schools and have not been confirmed but would like to be confirmed, please come to the meeting on Saturday 21st August 21 in Christ the King Church at 10:00 am.

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK

Ron & Monique Hunt, Jean McCabe, Luke Byrne, Muriel Cowan, Paul Cowan, John & Sandra Mageean, Gerald, Sarah McCallion, Audrey Vickers, John, Sadie Pulido, Sheila Ferns, Mary McGee, Margaret Gasson, Claire & Mark, Mary Ann Gniadkowski, Niamh O' Reilly, Carole Smith, Alan Rowan, Doreen Lakin, Kyle Billing, Jo Teece, Nicola Jones, Deacon Jack, Daniel Kelly, Sean Butler, Sr Marie, Patricia Nash, Victorio Baudo, Vanda Strlikovska-Czeczko, Alberto Bolongaro, Mandy Hawkes.

RIP: Please pray for Josie Deasy who passed away recently. May she rest in peace.

Prayer of Spiritual Communion

Lord God, our light and our salvation, we praise you for your gifts of life and faith. We thank you for the desire you have planted in our hearts, our yearning to see your face. Help us to meet you in prayer, to walk in your ways, and to speak to others of our joy and consolation in your presence. Give us the wisdom to appreciate your Son's self-gift in the Eucharist, so that although we cannot now be at mass to receive this gift sacramentally we may still be able to receive him spiritually. Give us faithfulness in this present life so that we may come into full communion with you and with all that belong to you. We make this prayer through the same Christ our Lord. Amen.

Prayer Reflection

Lord, as we contemplate Mary, the lowly virgin of Nazareth now assumed in heaven, we celebrate all the lowly people of the world who are lifted up before our eyes. We think of those who face difficult situations with courage, do not let themselves be overwhelmed by the evils they experience, find time and energy to celebrate the gifts you have given them, are nourished by the faith that whatever life has in store for them, they are safe in your hands. We celebrate in particular, parents who continue to care for their children when they are on drugs, in irregular relationships, embarked on a life of crime; men and women whose spouses were unfaithful and who accept them back in sickness or old age; leaders of communities torn apart by conflict who persevere in working for reconciliation and end up being attacked by all the parties involved; individuals battling with their weaknesses, addiction, depression, lack of self-confidence, jealousy; the terminally ill and those who have contracted AIDS. Lord, we thank you in the name of all these Marys, those of today and those of the past, we proclaim your greatness, and our spirits exult in you, our Saviour. There are times when we feel discouraged, disappointed by someone we considered a friend, looked down upon by those who are more successful than we are, mocked by those who say, "I told you so!", ashamed within our own selves. But we hold our heads high because we know that even if we are lowly in the eyes of others you send us Elizabeth who looks upon us with love and respect. The future may look bleak, but we remember that from this day forward all generations will call us blessed. We have been failures in the eyes of some, but you have done great things for us, and holy is your name, your mercy reaches from age to age to those who fear you.

When we feel powerless before the obstacles in our path, many of them within our own selves, others put there by people, including some who think they are acting for our good – help us to remember the power of your arm, how you will rout all the forces that oppose your loving plan for us.

They seem too great for us now, but you will pull them down from their thrones and exalt us; they are like wild beasts ready to devour us, but you will fill us with good things and send them away empty handed.

Lord, we thank you that you look on us as the Israel of our time, your servants, and that you come to our help, mindful of your unconditional love, according to the covenant you made with our ancestors that you would never go back on the love you promised to Abraham and his descendants for ever.

Lord, we pray that our Church communities will be your dwelling place on earth where the lowly ones of the world the poor, the aged and the children, those who are shunned by the wider society, strangers, immigrants, refugees, minorities from different religious or ethnic groups – are welcomed; where they will exult because they are called blessed, and the great things you have done for them are celebrated; where the proud of heart are routed, those who set themselves up as princes over others are pulled down from their thrones and the lowly are exalted, the hungry are so filled with good things that those of us who thought we were rich now realize that we have been sent away empty.

We pray that your Church, the true Israel your servant, will always remember your preferential love for the poor and the promises you made to Abraham and his descendants for ever are fulfilled.

Lord, help us to keep alive the dream of your kingdom as Mary saw it, a world where there is no lording over others, where princes are pulled down from their thrones and the lowly are lifted up, the hungry are filled with good things and the rich walk humbly alongside them, where all receive the good things of the world as expressions of your merciful love, the fulfilment of your promises to Abraham and his descendants for ever.

Kenneth Payne - What shall I say? www.columba.ie

Last Week's Collection CtK

Envelopes	£ 110.00
Loose	£ 164.70
St. Orders	£ 206.69
Total	£ 481.39

Last Week's Collection OLAM

Envelopes	£ 110.00
Loose	£ 230.16
St. Orders	£ 33.46
Total	£ 373.62

Diocesan Novena to Blessed Dominic Barberi begins on Wednesday 18th August.

Church cleaning: If you can help with the cleaning of the Church please come and give a hand on Friday at 2:30pm.

Carer required

For elderly lady, initially for 07/08/21-31/08/21 inclusive. 2 COVID vaccinations and NOT travelling required please. £10 per hour, 2 hours per day. If interested please ring 0121 243 7707.

Leading Others in Prayer

Prayer - which should be the most natural of things for us as Christians, gifted with the Holy Spirit - has been something we feel awkward about, uncertain of, and often enough just back away from.

In consequence prayer as a family is less common. Many people are uncertain what to do when someone dies and friends and family gather - even when they are all Catholic friends and family. This is something that needs some attention for our general health as a community - and as individuals.

If you would like to be part of **a fun and hands-on workshop** that will

- introduce you to the basics of leading prayer - in any setting
- provide simple resources that can be used in any setting and with anyone

then please email Fr Allen Morris at stnicholas.boldmere@rcaob.org.uk.