



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

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Responsorial Psalm – Psalm 33(34):2-3,16-23

R: *Taste and see that the Lord is good.*

MASSES THIS WEEK

Sat 21/08/21	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)
Mon 23/08/21	09:30 Mon	St John Wall – Feast	Private Intention
	12:00 CTK		John Farrell (RIP)
Tue 24/08/21	09:30 Mon†	St Bartholomew – Feast	Pat Nash (sick)
	12:00 CTK		Ken Phillips (RIP)
Wed 25/08/21	09:30 Mon†	Feria in OT – Wk 21	Maria Thi Chinh Nguyen (RIP)
	12:00 CTK		PEOPLE OF THE PARISHES
Thu 26/08/21	09:30 Mon	Blessed Dominic Barberi Feast	Gina Timmins
	12:00 CTK†		Bill Taylor (RIP)
Fri 27/08/21	09:30 Mon	St Monica – Feast	John Farrell (RIP)
	12:00 CTK†		Alice Feeney (RIP)
Sat 28/08/21	10:00 Mon	St Augustine - Feast	Josie Deasy (RIP)
	12:30 CTK		Clara Perry (RIP)
	18:00 OLAM		Paddy Finn (Anni.)
Sun 29/08/21	10:00 CTK†	22nd Sunday in OT	Theresa Davoren (RIP)
	11:30 OLAM		Pete & Mairi Weston (60th Wedd. Anni.)

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.

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 Strlkovska-Czeczko, Alberto Bolongaro, Mandy Hawkes.

RIP: Please pray for Phyliss Fields and Josie Deasy who passed away recently. May they 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 (<https://www.catholicireland.net/sunday-homily/>)

Lord, it sometimes happens that when we stand up for our values, our companions stop going with us because we will not discriminate against people of a different race; because we refuse to give expressions of love that are not appropriate to a relationship; because we criticize those in authority.

Help us, Lord, when this happens, not to become bitter, not to give up our values, but to understand, as Jesus did, that we cannot force people to come to us and that a relationship will only develop if you allow it to.

Lord, we thank you for all the times in recent years when your Church has spoken out against injustice in different parts of the world, even when many of its members found this language intolerable and could not accept it.

Lord, we remember the time when we were upset because, for the first time, Jesus asked something hard of us. Now, looking back on it, we smile. What if we had known then how much is entailed in following him on his way to you?

Lord, we live at the surface of ourselves, and so we lack energy and creativity. Give us the grace to withdraw, from time to time, to the depths of ourselves. Only if we go to the level of the spirit can we really live.

Lord, many preachers are content to repeat what they have heard from others.

We thank you for those whose words have been life to us because they speak from the depths of their experience.

Lord, forgive your Church that we take pride in our great achievements the big numbers that attend our services, our influence with the rich and the powerful, our imposing buildings and prestigious institutions, forgetting that the flesh has nothing to offer. What will give life to the world is simplicity, truth, compassion, reverence for little people - all that we know to be the spirit of Jesus.

Lord, we thank you for the great moment when we knew we had made a life commitment, we met the person we should spend the rest of our life with, we gave our whole selves to a movement, we read the life of a great person and were never the same afterwards. We knew then that there was nowhere else for us to go; this was, for us, the way to eternal life. We believed and we knew that this was the Holy One of God. It was like that when people met Jesus.

Lord, to achieve anything worthwhile in life we have to take risks. We must go ahead and choose twelve, even though one of them eventually betrays us.

Lord, there was a time when we made a deep act of faith and became complacent. We thank you that you sent Jesus to us a friend pointed out how self-righteous we had become, we fell into a sin we thought we had finished with. This was Jesus reminding us that the capacity to betray him is always part of us too.

Lord, send us leaders like Jesus who will proclaim their message, even if many of their followers find the language intolerable and impossible to accept; who will be free enough to turn even to their closest companions and say, "What about you, do you want to go away too?".

Last Week's Collection Ctk

Envelopes	£ 90.00
Loose	£ 164.05
St. Orders	£ 206.69
Total	£ 460.74

Last Week's Collection OLAM

Envelopes	£ 131.00
Loose	£ 113.77
St. Orders	£ 33.46
Total	£ 278.23

Rotas for Readers and Eucharistic Ministers: If you are a reader or a Eucharistic minister and would like to be back on rota, please notify Andrew on ctkliturg@outlook.com

Minibus to Church on Sunday: We are proposing to start using the mini bus again for Sunday Mass at Our Lady of the Assumption. We need to have at least 7 passengers for this to be viable. If you would like to make use of this door to door service, please contact Fr The. Also it would be useful to have a volunteer driver to help Tony H.

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

Over the past decades, many people's regular experience of prayer together has been liturgical prayer - mostly led by a priest. This has led to a de-skilling of our Catholic community.

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. Teachers can be very uncertain about what to do when leading prayer in a classroom. Friends can be uneasy about joining together in common prayer.

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. Once names are in he will then contact you to see what will be the most convenient time/date for participants.