



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

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**Hymns:** (CTK: Ent: 213; Off: 215; Com: 134; Rec: 143) (**OLAM:** Ent: 195; Off: 198; Com: 115; Rec: 121)

## MASSES THIS WEEK

## SUNDAY OBLIGATION HAS BEEN REINSTATED BY THE BISHOPS

<b>Sat</b>	11/06/22	10:00 Mon	St. Barnabas, Mem	Jack Foxall (RIP)
		12:30 CTK		Mary Delargy (RIP)
		18:00 OLAM		Kitty Heaney
<b>Sun</b>	12/06/22	10:00 CTK	<b>Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity</b>	Breege Russell
		11:30 OLAM		Madeline Church (RIP)
<b>Mon</b>	13/06/22	08:00 Con.	St. Anthony of Padua, Mem	Jan Exton (Recovery)
		09:30 Mon.		John Roche (RIP)
<b>Tue</b>	14/06/22	09:30 Mon.	Feria	Mary Hollinsworth
		12:00 CTK		Felix Thomes Hughes (B'day Anni.)
<b>Wed</b>	15/06/22	08:00 Con.	Feria	Winifred & Patrick Byrne (RIP)
		09:30 Mon.		Kath Butlin (RIP)
		<b>18.15 CTK</b>		<b>Confirmation – CTK School</b>
<b>Thu</b>	16/06/22	09:30 Mon.	Feria	Lily Bridge (RIP)
		10.30 OLAM		PEOPLE OF THE PARISHES
		12.00 CTK		Sean Butler (RIP)
<b>Fri</b>	17/06/22	09.00 CTK	Feria	James McDonald (RIP)
		09.30 Mon.		Paddy O'Donnell (RIP)
		<b>11.00 OLAM</b>		<b>David J Condon - Funeral Service</b>
<b>Sat</b>	18/06/22	10:00 Mon	Dedication of the Cathedral	Marie Brady (RIP)
		12:30 CTK		Eileen & Dick Gould (Anni.)
		18:00 OLAM		James McNamara (RIP)
<b>Sun</b>	19/06/22	10:00 CTK	<b>Solemnity of Corpus Christi</b>	Felix Thomas Hughes (RIP)
		11:30 OLAM		Marie Brady (RIP)

**Bible Study** with Deacon Dominic Fahey in the church of Our Lady of the Assumption **every Tuesday** at 7:00pm.

**Rosary Group:** meeting **every Wednesday** in Christ the King Church at 3:30pm.

**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, Mary McGee, Margaret Gasson, Claire & Mark, Jo Teece, Mary Ann Gniadkowski, Niamh O' Reilly, Carole Smith, Alan Rowan, Kyle Billing, Nicola Jones, Daniel Kelly, Sr Marie, Patricia Nash, Alberto Bolongaro, Arjun Paul, Teresa Webb, Mary Hickey, Rose Lewsley and Carol Timmis. **Please pray for them and their families.**

**RIP:** Please pray for the souls of David James Condon, Michael Francis Ryan and Olive May Quinn, who died recently. May they rest in peace. **Funeral of Michael Ryan** – Tues 21/06/22, 10.30, CTK.

**Are you planning to have your child baptised?** If so, please come to the next monthly meeting to be held at Christ the King Church on Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> July at 3:00pm.

**Rosary Beads:** A local Catenian member is collecting spare rosary beads to be distributed to Catholics in other countries and for prisoners in the U.K. There is a box at the back of Church for any donated beads.

**Volunteers Needed for Dementia Lunch Club at Maryvale:** Kind-hearted, fun-loving individuals needed to befriend and support a lovely group of 10-12 elders, all of whom are "young at heart", living life to the full with varying degrees of dementia – and provide a well-earned rest for their loved ones. Support would be needed from 10.00 – 2.00 on a Mon or a Wed at Maryvale Centre, Old Oscott Hill. Lots of fun activities on offer – crafts, games, quizzes, live music – lunch provided and good company on tap. If interested or want to know more, contact **Sharon on 07495 711695**.

**Pilgrimage to Walsingham:** 22/07/22 – 25/07/22, coach from Christ the King. Please contact Chris Walsh on 07984082712 or Nora Abbott on 624 3850.

**Refresher Day for Parish Liturgical Ministers (Ministers of Holy Communion, Readers and Musicians) - Sat 18/06/22 at St. Nicholas, Boldmere:** Fr Allen Morris will be hosting the refresher day, which is free to attend, and starts 10.00 with coffee and finishes at 3pm after a Holy Hour. It is divided into two parts to enable people to come for as much or as little as they like. The morning is devoted to the ministry to the sick and the housebound. The afternoon to the ministry of readers and musicians. There is a lunch break at 12, for which you are asked to bring your own food, but tea and coffee will be available throughout the day. As we are always in need of new ministers in all of these fields, the day would be an excellent way of introducing potential new recruits to these ministries, as well as providing a refresher for "old hands". **Existing ministers, please try to come to this event and think about those you might invite to come along with you with a view to adding them to the team.**

**Ordinations** of the two deacons associated with our two parishes are taking place on Saturday 16<sup>th</sup> July at St Peter's Cathedral, Lancaster (Rev. Philip Wrigley) and Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup> July at St Chad's Cathedral, Birmingham (Rev Stephen Fleming). Please pray for them both as they are preparing for their ordination and future ministry.

**Last Week's Collection CTK**

Envelopes:	£ 121.50
Loose:	£ 292.71
Standing Orders:	£ 206.69
<b>Total:</b>	<b>£ 620.90</b>

**Last Week's Collection OLAM**

Envelopes:	£ 170.50
Loose:	£ 101.48
Standing Orders:	£ 33.46
<b>Total:</b>	<b>£ 305.44</b>

**Thank you for your generous support**

**Next Sunday there will be a second collection for the Day For Life.**

**Gospel Commentary** – Fr Donagh O'Shea, OP

"Who can understand the Trinity?" wrote St Augustine (+430). "Rare are the persons who, when they speak of it, also know what they speak of...." Then with all due qualifications and apologies, he suggests a way that might throw a little light on it.

Look at yourself, he says; you see that you exist and that you have a mind and a will. These are three dimensions of your being, and yet you are one. You are a kind of trinity: three in one and one in three. It is just an image, for as he said, "Who can in any way express it plainly? Who can in any way rashly make a pronouncement about it?" It is only an image, yes, but it has this advantage: that it is taken from personal life, and not from mathematics.

Sometimes people have seen the mystery of the Trinity as a piece of impossible mathematics in which 1 x 3 is still 1. St John, like Augustine, looked in personal life for analogies of the Trinity. He wrote, "Whoever does not love does not know God, for God is love" (1 John 4:8). This is a profoundly challenging statement. If I don't live in love I don't know God. A little further on John wrote, "God is love, and those who abide in love abide in God, and God abides in them" (1John 4:16). I may be the most learned theologian in the world, I may have hundreds of ideas for the betterment of the Church and society, I may be working like a slave to implement these ideas; but if I am not living in love my efforts are in some strange way fallow.

Let's extend the personal image a little further, to groups of persons trying to live together. There are two things, mainly, that people suffer from in families and communities of every kind. One is a feeling of suffocation, of not being allowed to be themselves, of having no identity except that of the group. The other is opposite but equally painful: a loss of identification (of any but the most basic kind) with the community. Here the individuals circle around one another at a distance, like planets, and this leads to loneliness. These two are opposite poles: too much family and too little, suffocation and loneliness. Now try to think again about the Trinity. The Father is eternally the Father. He never has been and never will be the Son or the Spirit. Likewise the other Persons. Each is eternally a unique Person. There is no suffocation. And yet they are so much one that we have to say there is only one God. The doctrine of the Trinity shows us that the inner life of God is a community – the only perfect community.

Such a life we all aspire to, such a life we long for in all our dreams and waking: full presence to others without being diminished or disrespected in any way, a joyful pouring out of our lives for others, such that it makes us fully who we are ourselves.

Deep down, our longing for such a community is our longing for God. All our struggle to achieve it is our struggle for God, and all the pain and frustration we experience on the way is redeemed and given meaning by that transcendent Community that is God.

**Community meal** (sponsored by Dr Deedar Singh Bhomra of Aylesbury Surgery) on Sunday 19/06/22 at 16:00, at New Heights Centre. People from both parishes are welcome. Please ring Sandra on 07985607091 to book a place.

**Prayer Intentions during this month**

**12th** - *"We pray for all women going through unexpected pregnancies, that they would experience peace and support in this circumstance, and recognise the many blessings that motherhood brings."*

**19th** - *"As we celebrate Father's Day, we pray for all fathers who are expecting a child. That they would find peace in their changing circumstance and would be a source of support for the child's mother as they prepare for their child to enter the world."*

**26th** - *"We pray for all unborn children diagnosed with disabilities, we pray for protection for them and their mothers from the pressures of society to have an abortion, and that they would instead experience overwhelming support by all who surround them."*