



**The Parishes of  
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and  
Christ the King, Kingstanding**



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**Hymns:** (OLAM: Ent: 301; Off: 329; Com: 357; Rec: 479)

**Responsorial Psalm:** Ps 16(17):1,5-6,8,15

**R: I shall be filled, when I awake, with the sight of your glory, O Lord.**

**MASSES THIS WEEK**

**SUNDAY OBLIGATION HAS BEEN REINSTATED BY THE BISHOPS**

<b>Sat</b> 05/11/22	10:00 Mon	Feria	Maria & Stefan Nycz (Intentions Of)
	12:30 CTK	<b>32<sup>nd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time</b>	Carol McKeown (B'day)
	18:00 OLAM		Alan Bagnall (RIP)
<b>Sun</b> 06/11/22	10:00 CTK		Maureen Morrgridge (RIP)
	11:30 OLAM	Christy Lamb RIP	
<b>Mon</b> 07/11/22	08:00 Con.	Feria	Holy Souls
	09:30 Mon.		Marie Wright (RIP)
<b>Tue</b> 08/11/22	09:30 Mon.	Feria	Frank McCabe (RIP)
	12:00 CTK		Sean Butler (RIP)
<b>Wed</b> 09/11/22	08:00 Con.	<b>Feast of the Dedication of the Lateran Basilica</b>	Thanksgiving (MN)
	09:30 Mon.		Fr Kacki (RIP) <i>Pronounced Konski</i>
<b>Thu</b> 10/11/22	09:30 Mon.	<b>Mem. Of St. Leo the Great (Pope)</b>	Janina & Krystyna (Intentions Of)
	<b>10.15 OLAM</b>		<b>Mark McLoughlin - Requiem</b>
	<b>14:00 OLAM</b>		<b>PEOPLE OF THE PARISHES</b>
<b>Fri</b> 11/11/22	09.00 CTK	Mem. Of St Martin of Tours	Clare Cooper (B'day)
	10:30 Mon.		Mary Foster (Bday)
<b>Sat</b> 12/11/22	10:00 Mon	Mem. Of St. Josaphat, Bishop	Holy Souls
	12:30 CTK	<b>33<sup>rd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time</b>	Alan Broth (Anni.)
	18:00 OLAM		Helen Nessim (Get Well)
<b>Sun</b> 13/11/22	10:00 CTK		Bridie Scally (RIP)
	11:30 OLAM	Vincent (Jimmy) Molloy	

**Prayers for the Holy Souls:** As November is the month of remembrance - when we are even more aware of the loss of loved ones and wish to remember them, and all of the Holy Souls, particularly those who have no-one to pray for them – there will be a number of dedicated Masses held for this purpose across both Parishes. Individuals named on the lists parishioners have provided will remain on the altar for all masses and remembered in prayer, both personally and collectively. Brown envelopes, clearly marked “**November Dead List**”, are available at the back of Church for anyone wishing to have the passing of family and friends recognised in this way.

**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, following Church cleaning at 2.30..

**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, Patricia Nash, Alberto Bolongaro, Arjun Paul, Teresa Webb, Mary Hickey, Sr Marie, Carol Timmis, Carlos Beckford, and Ian Kennedy. Please pray for them and their families.

**RIP:** Pray for the souls of Liam Kehoe and Mark McLoughlin who all died recently and all whose anniversaries occur at this time. May they rest in peace.

**Blessing of Graves (North B'ham):** **Oscott:** Sat 5 Nov 3pm; **The Abbey:** Sun 6 Nov 1pm;  
**New Hall (Sutton):** Sun 6 Nov 2.30pm; **Rectory Rd (Sutton):** Sun 20<sup>th</sup> Nov 2.30pm; **Witton:** Sun 27<sup>th</sup> Nov 2pm.

There will be a **2<sup>nd</sup> Collection THIS WEEKEND** in aid of the Johnson Association which support retired clergy.

**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 **THIS SUNDAY** 6<sup>th</sup> November at 3:00pm.

<b>Last Week's Collection CTK</b>	
Loose:	£ 466.20
Envelopes:	£ 56.50
Standing Orders:	£ 206.69
<b>Total:</b>	<b>£ 729.39</b>

<b>Last Week's Collection OLAM</b>	
Loose:	£ 185.94
Envelopes:	£ 157.00
Standing Orders:	£ 51.92
<b>Total:</b>	<b>£ 394.86</b>

Thank you for your generous support

**Ministries For Next Weekend:**

<b>Christ the King</b>		
<b>Sat 12:30</b>	<b>Minister Of the Word</b>	<b>Kathleen Foxall</b>
	<b>Ordinary Minister of Holy Communion</b>	<b>Sue Nugent</b>
<b>Sun 10.00</b>	<b>Minister Of the Word</b>	<b>Angela Hooker</b>
	<b>Ordinary Ministers of Holy Communion</b>	<b>Deacons Gary &amp; Gregory</b>

<b>Our Lady of the Assumption</b>		
<b>Sat 18:00</b>	<b>Minister Of the Word</b>	<b>Graham Green</b>
	<b>Ordinary Minister of Holy Communion</b>	<b>Paul Thomas</b>
<b>Sun 11.30</b>	<b>Minister Of the Word</b>	<b>Ian Kennedy &amp; Akash Paul</b>
	<b>Ordinary Minister of Holy Communion</b>	<b>Deacons Dominic &amp; Gregory</b>

**Christmas Craft Fayre – Sat 26<sup>th</sup> November:** As there are **only 3 weeks left** until our major fundraising event of the year, can I remind you of the type of items we desperately need:-

31 Oct – 6 <sup>th</sup> Nov	<b>Adult/Children's Gifts</b>	14 <sup>th</sup> – 20 <sup>th</sup> Nov	<b>Alcohol/Drinks</b>
7 <sup>th</sup> – 13 <sup>th</sup> Nov	<b>Xmas Paper/Tags/Cards/Decorations</b>	21 <sup>st</sup> – 24 <sup>th</sup> Nov	<b>Chocolate Items</b>

Donations can be brought to the **NH Café or School Reception any weekday morning** or **to Church on a Sunday**.

**Raffle Tickets:** Thank you to everyone who took Raffle books away with them last weekend, whether for their own use or to try and get family/friends/colleagues to purchase a 50p ticket – in order to be in with a chance of winning one of the top 3 cash prizes (£250, £150 or £100 or one of the other various prizes). Any help you are able to give is much appreciated, particularly if you can personally donate towards the Cash Prize, which has always been the first prize in our annual raffle, or are able to donate any other appropriate prizes, perhaps through sponsorship from your place of work. (If anyone needs additional books, these are available at both Churches, within the School and at the New Heights Café.

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

I knew a saintly old priest who was instructing a small group of adults for baptism. When a friend asked him how it was going, he said, 'Not well ....They have no questions.' If there are no questions there are no real doors opening. The person who exudes clarity and certainly about everything probably hasn't dug very deep. Understanding doesn't come cheap. And the simplest questions are the hardest of all. The German philosopher, Schopenhauer (1788-1860), was walking along a street in Dresden one day, seeking answers to questions that bothered him. Passing by a garden, he decided to sit down and look at the flowers. The owner was suspicious and called the police. A policeman arrived and asked him, 'Who are you?' Schopenhauer paused and said, 'If you can help me find the answer to that question, I will be eternally grateful to you'!

Having said that, we have to recognise that there are also cheap questions. A question has the quality of the mind it comes from. It can come from idle or malicious curiosity, from vanity, cruelty, deception... the whole palette. The question these Sadducees asked Jesus in today's reading was not an innocent question. They were not seeking an answer, they were seeking to trip him up. All of Chapter 20 to that point was full of these treacherous questions: first the chief priests and scribes asked him by what authority he was teaching (2); then 'they watched him and sent spies who pretended to be honest, in order to trap him by what he said, so as to hand him over to the jurisdiction and authority of the governor' (20); then they asked him about paying tax to Caesar (22); and now, from the Sadducees, this mocking question about the resurrection.

It is worthwhile reading the whole chapter, to see how brilliantly he despatched them all. He was not deceived by any of these questions. No doubt he saw the mind the questions were coming from. Luke often lets us know this, by adding a comment such as 'he knew what they were thinking' (6:8; 11:17).

Pharisees and Sadducees are often mentioned together in the Gospels, but in their beliefs they could not be further apart. The Pharisees were a religious party with no political ambition; they believed in the resurrection, in angels, in spirits; they expected the coming of the Messiah. The Sadducees were few in number but wealthy; they were the governing class, willing to collaborate with the Roman Empire (the rich always collaborate with the powers-that-be); they were secular in outlook and did not believe in the coming of any Messiah (who might upset the system); they did not believe in the next life, nor in the existence of angels or spirits.

When the Sadducees posed their question about the status (in the next life) of the woman who was married in this life to seven brothers, they were only making fun of the belief in a next life. No Rabbi had ever brought a 'proof' of it from the first five books of the Scriptures (the only ones that the Sadducees accepted). But in Jesus they met, for the first time, a Rabbi who did! Read again from v. 37: "Moses himself showed it to be true..." (Moses was considered the author of the first five books).

And for good measure, Jesus threw in a reference to angels, knowing full well that they didn't believe in them!