



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

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Hymns: OLAM: E: 9; O: 60; C: 512; R: 73

Responsorial Psalm: Ps 15(16):1-2,5,7-11 **R: Show us, Lord, the path of life.**

MASSES THIS WEEK

SUNDAY OBLIGATION HAS BEEN REINSTATED BY THE BISHOPS

Sat 22/04/23	Easter Feria	10:00 Mon	Peter Nguyen Van Khang (RIP)
	Third Sunday of Easter	12:30 CTK	Kevin Berns (Ann)
Sun 23/04/23		18:00 OLAM	Annie McDonnell (Ann.)
	Solemnity of St. George Martyr, Patron of England	10:00 CTK	Lawrence Tams (Anni.)
Mon 24/04/23		11:30 OLAM	Margaret Morrison (Ann.)
	Tue 25/04/23	08:00 Con.	Paul Byrne (Recovery)
Feast of St. Mark, Evangelist		09:30 Mon.	Peggy and Gerard Costello
	Wed 26/04/23	09:30 Mon.	Bernie Foley (RIP)
Easter Feria		12:00 CTK	Adrian Healy (RIP)
	Thu 27/04/23	08:00 Con.	Private Intention
Easter Feria		09:30 Mon.	Alan & Stephanie Holland (RIP)
	Fri 28/04/23	09:30 Mon.	Janis Erglis/Dipiro Family (RIP)
Easter Feria		10:30 MPS	PEOPLE OF THE PARISHES
	Sat 29/04/23	12:00 CTK	Calum Clarke (RIP)
Feast of St. Catherine of Sienna		09:00 CTK	Donna (Birthday Intentions)
	Sun 30/04/23	10:00 Mon	Brendan Howard (RIP)
Fourth Sunday of Easter		10:00 Mon	Mr. & Mrs. Redding (RIP)
		12:30 CTK	Sean McNally
		18:00 OLAM	Grace Deane (Anni.)
		10:00 CTK	Margaret Gray and Bill Rice (RIP)
		11:30 OLAM	Denis Eyre

Bible Study with Deacon Dominic Fahey in the Guild Room at Christ The King **every Tuesday** at 7:00pm.

Rosary Group: meeting **every Wednesday** in Christ the King Church at 1:30pm.

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, 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 Angela Madigan, Joanne Fields and David Cotton. **Please pray for them and their families.**

RIP: Pray for Kathleen Sheils, Bishop David McGough, Michael Riordan, Michelle Green, Margaret Gannon and Pauline Brittle, who all passed away recently & for those whose anniversaries occur at this time. May they rest in peace. **Funerals:** Michelle Green: OLAM, Mon 15/05/23; 11:00; Margaret Gannon: OLAM, Wed 17/05/23; 11:30.

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 7th May at 3:00pm.

SANCTUARY LAMP: The Sanctuary Lamp, which burns to indicate the presence of the Blessed Sacrament on the Altar, is **dedicated throughout the month of April, for members of the Walsh family circle**, both living and deceased.

First Holy Communion Preparation

Could the parents of the Catholic children in Year 2 in both schools of Christ the King and Maryvale Primary please book an appointment by email to see Fr The-Quang at their home to enroll their children for the preparation of their children for First Confession in 2024 and First Holy Communion in 2025.

Last Weeks' Collection CTK

Loose: £ 283.25
Envelopes: £ 468.50
Standing Orders: £ 206.69
Total: £ 958.44

Last Weeks' Collection OLAM

Loose: £ 128.81
Envelopes: £ 192.50
Standing Orders: £ 51.92
Total: £ 373.23

Thank you for your generous support

2ND COLLECTION: There will be a 2nd Collection next week for the Clergy Training Fund.

Christ the King		22 nd /23 rd April	29 th /30 th April
Sat 12:30	Minister of the Word	Kathleen Foxall	Kathleen Foxall
	Minister of Holy Communion	Ordinary Ministers	Sue Nugent
Sun 10.00	Minister of the Word	John	Steve
	Minister of Holy Communion	Sr Michela	Ordinary Ministers

VOTE FOR MARYVALE: The Maryvale Community Project, which runs activities for the elderly/people with disabilities, is one of the 3 finalists to receive a grant of between £500 - £1,500, but to be successful, **THEY NEED YOUR VOTE!** It won't cost you a penny more but, if you shop in any Tesco outlet (big or small) in the surrounding areas – you can pick up a blue token at the till each time you shop (at any time over the next 3 months) and place it in the perspex container marked "**Maryvale**" as you leave the store. **THAT'S ALL YOU NEED TO DO.** (At the New Oscott Supermarket they are in 2nd place at the present time, but early days)!!

New Live Streaming System: We have had a new Audio Visual System installed for Live Streaming of Services, especially the 10.00 Sunday Mass and Funerals. You can access this by clicking on the live Link on the Parish Website, <http://www.christ-the-king.org.uk/> and then watching the Live Service, or going into YouTube, typing in Christ the King Kingstanding in the Search Bar and then clicking the "Live" picture screen that shows up. This can also be watched later. Please let other Parishioners that access our Masses know that this is now available.

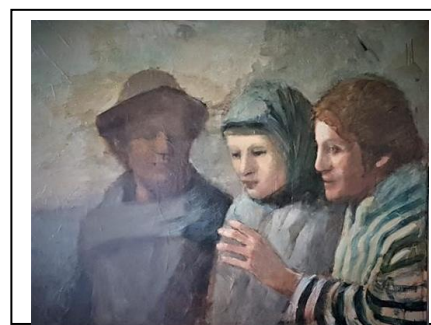
Choir Camp 2023 With Dana: A singing weekend for all ages and abilities takes place at Dunfield House, Herefordshire from 2nd to 4th June with Eurovision legend Dana. For more information, call 01922 915 230.

Message from Alex Richards:

- Thank you for your support so far, there will be a final cake sale this weekend.
- Can people who want intentions taken or holy water brought back start to come forward.

Gospel Commentary - Fr Donagh O'Shea:

Which of these three figures is Jesus? Not the one with raised hand: he is explaining something, but Jesus did no explaining at that moment; he just listened. The figure in the centre looks female. Did we take it for granted that both disciples were male? The text doesn't say so; it names one, Cleopas, a man's name, but it doesn't name the other. In the story of the resurrection, up to that point, women disciples were far more in the picture than the men were; so one of these two disciples may have been female. Then Jesus must be the one with the hat. We haven't seen many representations of Jesus wearing a hat. It puts his face in shade – perhaps a nod to the fact that the text says they didn't recognise him.



There they are: two disciples with heavy hearts, full of regrets and foreboding, going in the wrong direction.... Jesus walks beside them and talks with them, but they are unable to recognise him. This story is an image of what we all are, much of the time. But it also reassures us that our bewilderment is not the full story.

The story is also a perfect model of how Christians should read the Scriptures. The Lord is with us unawares. He teases out our fears and doubts and disillusionment.... He calls our attention to what we have overlooked or misunderstood. Finally, we "recognise him in the breaking of bread". This is a phrase that Luke repeats (verses 31 and 35), as if to make sure we notice it. Throughout, the language is eucharistic, the same that Luke had used a few chapters earlier in describing the Last Supper (22:19). That phrase, "the breaking of bread", is used repeatedly in the Acts of the Apostles (also written by Luke) to refer to the ritual meal of the Christian community, the Eucharist (Acts 2:42, 46; 20:7; 27:35). Disciples in every century have continued to recognise him in "the breaking of bread."

About five years later, Paul, the persecutor of Christians, was to have his strange experience on the road to Damascus. He was thrown to the ground, and he heard a voice, "Saul, Saul, why are you persecuting me? I am Jesus whom you are persecuting" (Acts 9:4, 5). Jesus, then, is still beside his followers. He is only dimly recognised and by few. "You were with me," wrote St Augustine some centuries later, "but I was not with you" (*Confessions*, X, 27). But we are able to recognise him in the breaking of bread.