



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

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Hymns: OLAM: E: 310; O: 217; C: 317; R: 169.

Psalm 99(100):2-3,5. **R: We are his people, the sheep of his flock.**

### MASSES THIS WEEK

### SUNDAY OBLIGATION HAS BEEN REINSTATED BY THE BISHOPS

<b>Sat</b> 17/06/23	Immaculate Heart of Mary, Mem.	10:00 Mon	Ngo Family
		<b>10:00 OLAM</b>	<b>First Holy Communion MPS</b>
<b>Sun</b> 18/06/23	<b>11<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time</b>	12:30 CTK	John Fields (RIP)
		18:00 OLAM	Martin Flannery (RIP)
		10:00 CTK	Michael Kelly (Recently Deceased)
		11:30 OLAM†	Mary Stone (RIP)
<b>Mon</b> 19/06/23	Feria	08:00 Con.†	Ngo Family
		09:30 Mon.	Fr. Jerzy & his sister Roza (48 Ord. Anni.)
<b>Tue</b> 20/06/23	Feria	09:30 Mon.	Eugeniusz Mikula (RIP)
		12:00 CTK	Joane Allen (Birthday Intentions)
		<b>18:30 CTK</b>	<b>James Christopher Ranahan - Requiem</b>
<b>Wed</b> 21/06/23	Memorial of St. Aloysius Gonzaga, Religious	08:00 Con.†	Janina & Krystyna
		09:30 Mon.	Mark & Tom
<b>Thu</b> 22/06/23	Feast of SS John Fisher and Thomas More, Martyrs	09:30 Mon.	Andy Deane (Get Well)
		10.30 MPS	PEOPLE OF THE PARISHES
		12:00 CTK	Domenica's Canadian Friends (RIP)
		09:30 CTK	Janina & Krystyna
<b>Fri</b> 23/06/23	Feria	09:30 Mon.	John & Gwen Connaire (RIP)
		10:00 Mon	Jozefa & Henryk Szmalec
<b>Sat</b> 24/06/23	The Nativity of John The Baptist	12:30 CTK†	Mandy Davies (Anni.)
		18:00 OLAM	Wyn Maher (RIP)
		10:00 CTK	Gerry Gorman (RIP)
<b>Sun</b> 25/06/23	<b>12<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time</b>	11:30 OLAM	Bernadette Rafferty

**Mass Intentions:** Obviously, when requesting Masses to be said for loved ones, most people are requesting they be held at weekends, so that they can attend. Unfortunately, there are only 2 Masses at each parish at a weekend, but 19 other masses said during the week. To limit any associated disappointment, when preferred dates cannot be met, can I ask parishioners to consider this when asking specifically for a weekend Mass as, when there are competing requests, consideration will have to be given to death anniversaries falling on the actual day requested.

**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, Elizabeth Teague, Joanne Fields and David Cotton, Caitlin Hodgetts, Joan & Alan Horton. **Please pray for them and their families.**

**RIP:** Please pray for James Christopher Ranahan, Patricia Horrocks, Michael Nolan and Vernica Kelly who passed away recently. May they rest in peace. Funerals: Christy Ranahan: Wed 21/06/23, 18:30, OLAM; Patricia Horrocks: Fri 07/07/23, 11:30, OLAM; Michael Nolan Tue 11/07/23, 11:00, CTK; Veronica Kelly: Thu 20/07/23, 10:30, OLAM.

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**Silver Jubilee:** I would just like to take this opportunity to thank each and every parishioner of both OLAM and CTK, Bishop David, Deacons Dominic & Gary, the Altar Servers, our two communities of Sisters and our school communities - who all made my formal Silver Jubilee celebration last weekend a memorable event - and the many unsung heroes behind the scenes, who decorated the Church, organized the altar, provided the music and led the hymns, recorded the Mass via the livestream and photographs, welcomed visitors from outside the Parish, set up the function room for the afternoon reception, made/provided food items and stayed on to clear up afterwards. I am still opening/reading cards and letters containing good wishes, as I want to savour each and every one, but rest assured each one will be read and cherished. For all the cards, gifts and donations, I thank you from the bottom of my heart - **but your continuing prayers were all that I could ask for** - and I want to assure you that you and your families will always remain in my prayers. My family members who proudly attended the Jubilee Mass – and were warmly welcomed by so many of you – have asked me to also relay their own personal thanks to you all. **Thank you all so much for all you have done for me and continue to do for your fellow parishioners. My thanks and my prayers will always be yours. Fr. The Quang xxxx**

**Diocesan Website:** Many of you who attended or viewed the livestreamed Jubilee Mass held at CTK last Sunday will have noticed Conor taking photographs of the proceedings. He has also written an article for the Diocesan Website, which includes several photographs, and can be viewed via the following link <https://www.birminghamdiocese.org.uk/news/silver-jubilee-celebrations-fr-joseph-th-quang-nguyen>

**Last Weeks' Collection CTK**

Loose: £ 253.33  
 Envelopes: £ 131.00  
 Standing Orders: £ 265.84  
**Total: £ 650.17**

**Thank you for your generous support**

**Last Weeks' Collection OLAM**

Loose: £ 162.73  
 Envelopes: £ 133.00  
 Standing Orders: £ 250.38  
**Total: £ 546.11**

**2<sup>nd</sup> Collection:** There is a 2<sup>nd</sup> Collection this weekend for the “Day of Life”.

**THE SANCTUARY LAMP**, which burns to indicate the presence of the Blessed Sacrament on the Altar, is **dedicated throughout June for members of the Heathcote & Mageean families**, both living and deceased.

Christ the King		17 <sup>th</sup> /18 <sup>th</sup> June	24 <sup>th</sup> /25 <sup>th</sup> July
Sat 12:30	Minister of the Word	Kathleen Foxall	Kathleen Foxall
	Minister of Holy Communion	Theresa Wilkin	Sue Nugent
Sun 10.00	Minister of the Word	Theresa Byrne	Angela Hooker
	Minister of Holy Communion	Marianne	Joyce

**World Youth Day:** Aoife Harris, the grand-daughter of Mary Hooker of CTK, would like to thank everyone who supported her fundraising efforts, in order to enable her to attend the World Youth Day event being held in Portugal next month, and has kindly offered to take with her any Mass intentions parishioners may have. These can be handed in at any Mass **up to the weekend of 16<sup>th</sup>/17<sup>th</sup> July**.

**New Heights** the charity with which we have close links, has an exciting opportunity for someone to join their Team as a **Volunteer Coordinator**. If you would like to help us make a difference in Kingstanding and are interested in this post please click [here](https://new-heights.org.uk) (which will take you to the relevant page on our website <https://new-heights.org.uk>) The Closing date for applications is **12pm Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> June 2023**.

**Live-Streaming:** We have updated our audio/video system and are now able to livestream the 10.00 Sunday Mass and Funerals. To access - either click on the live Link on the Parish Website, <http://www.christ-theking.org.uk/> or log on to YouTube, type in Christ the King Kingstanding in the Search Bar and then click on the “Live” picture screen that shows up. This can also be watched later.

**Gospel Commentary: Fr Donagh O’Shea:** I knew someone whose universal metaphor was the car: we soon learned that when he said, “I got a puncture”, he didn’t mean it literally; it was just his way of saying that there was a snag and he couldn’t finish what he had started. Sometimes his metaphors went onto a kind of second register: “I don’t have the ponies for that”, meant he hadn’t enough horsepower, which meant not enough energy. But he was only an extreme example of something quite common. We all use car metaphors, like blowing a gasket, backfiring, etc. I heard a sports commentator say that some footballer was “running on empty”. The metaphors Jesus used were not mechanical but organic: farming, viticulture, sheep-raising, fishing. Most of the movements in nature are gradual and slow, and they happen by themselves. When we say they are ‘natural’, we know that they are not alien to us, because we too are part of nature. It is dangerous to become so fascinated by machines that we think of everything in terms of them; we will end by thinking of ourselves as machines. Do you have compassion on your car when it gives up? No, you become dissatisfied with it, and you take it somewhere to get it fixed. If you were really to think of other people as machines, your feelings about them when they were broken down in mind or body would be like your feelings about a broken-down car. Jesus had compassion on the crowds “because they were harassed and helpless, like sheep without a shepherd”. Or as an older translation put it, “he was moved with compassion”. The Greek word used by Matthew (*splagchnizomai*) expressed exceptionally deep feelings; it meant ‘gut feelings’ - the kind you could never have for a machine. It was this deep feeling that urged him to send out the Twelve. He did not say, “You are to govern these people and teach them to obey you, because I am giving you power of jurisdiction over them”. No, he sent them out to show in practice the same kind of compassion for people that he had. Indeed, that almost unpronounceable word expresses the whole character of Jesus in reference to us. “He was moved with compassion”.