



SOLEMNITY OF CHRIST THE KING

21ST NOVEMBER – 27TH NOVEMBER , 2021

NEWSLETTER

# SACRED HEART

Year B • 34th Sunday • Ferial cycle1  
Psalter Week 2

## OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST , KING OF THE UNIVERSE

On the last Sunday of each liturgical year, the Church celebrates the Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe, or Christ the King. Pope Pius XI instituted this feast in 1925 with his encyclical Quas primas ("In the first") to respond to growing secularism and atheism. He recognized that attempting to "thrust Jesus Christ and his holy law" out of public life would result in continuing discord among people and nations. This solemnity reminds us that while governments come and go, Christ reigns as King forever.

The reign of God, the kingdom of God is among us. It was central to his mission and his message. But not of this earth? Not unworldly, ethereal, unreal. Rather, transforming, life giving, the alternative kingdom of redeeming love. This truth of God, the reign of God brought to this earth by the Word of God made flesh in Jesus Christ our King.

He wants our allegiance and our love, our whole lives and loyalty. In fully giving our lives our will our dreams, the only real and true response to our Baptism, we find that we are more, never less. We give only to discover what great gifts we have received, abundance. Our king teaches us that those who serve and first and greatest, that those who freely give and filled and cared for, that in dying comes life, and in faithfulness comes wholeness.

If we serve the king, then we will one day enter the fullness of kingdom. It really is as simple as that. We see beyond so that we can see the importance of what is right now. We build the kingdom so at odds with the common sense of power and might, that the poorest and weakest, the neediest and lowest will welcome us, as they are the gatekeepers in the kingdom, the last who will be first.

It was a challenge to believe when he was born, a challenge to see him as Messiah and Lord as he walked Israel and taught and healed and encouraged. Harder still when he was betrayed, hated, rejected and condemned, could we believe him our Savior King? It remains a challenge today, but not one we are incapable of accepting and living. Will we believe? Will we see the glory of Jesus Christ our King, king of the Cross, Lord of all, servant of all, who emptied himself and thus was exalted, so that at the name of Jesus every knee must bend and every tongue must swear that: Jesus Christ is Lord.

Today on Christ the King we recall that the essential character of kingship means personal allegiance to one person. To say Christ is King implies that we are subjects. He "reigns in the minds of men," in the wills of men, and He is King of our hearts. St. Bernard prayed, "Come, Lord Jesus, take away scandals from your Kingdom, which is my soul, and reign there, You who alone have the right.

## READINGS

### FIRST READING

DANIEL 7:13-14

### RESPONSORIAL PSALM

PSALM 92(93):1-2,5

### SECOND READING

APOCALYPSE 1:5-8

### GOSPEL

JOHN 18:33-37

## REFLECTION

"On Him was conferred sovereignty, glory and kingship, and men of all peoples, nations and languages became his servants"

DANIEL 7:14



# SACRED HEART OF JESUS – CAMBERWELL

Archdiocese of Southwark  
OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE - Year B

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## SUNDAY MASSES

6:00pm (Sat)  
10:00am 12:00 Noon \* 6:00pm  
\* with Children's Liturgy  
3:00pm (KCH chapel)

## CONFESSON:

Sat: 10.30am - 10.45am  
5.00pm - 5.45pm

Eucharistic Adoration:  
Sunday 4:30 - 5:30pm  
Friday 7:30 - 8:30pm

## MORNING PRAYER

Monday - Friday 8:45am  
Saturday 9:45am

## ROSARY

After weekday Masses

## PRAYER GROUPS

Sacred Heart Association:  
Friday: 6.00pm  
1st Friday 7:30pm

Our Lady & Divine Mercy:  
Thursday 5:30 pm

Legion of Mary Seniors:  
Thursday 7.00pm

Catholic Charismatic Renewal  
Saturday 7pm

St. John Bosco Junior Altar  
Servers  
Tuesdays 5.30pm

Adult Altar Servers  
Sunday after 11.30am Mass

## MASS TIMES & INTENTIONS

### SUNDAY 21ST NOVEMBER

**6.00PM**

### OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE

SYLVIA & ASHLEY BASTIAN, PRAYING FOR THE RIP OF THEIR LOVED ONES. ROSE ONYE, RIP. COMFORT NWACHUKWU, RIP. MONICA FERNANDES, RIP

**10.00AM**

MACK MANGAN, RIP

**12.NOON**

CHIGOZIE JOHN IKETE, IN THANKSGIVING. ELIANE, ROGER, PHILOMENE, JOSEPHINE, ANTOINE & JOHN CHEONG – SEE, RIP. THE QUARSHIE & SWARAY FAMILY IN THANKSGIVING TO THE LORD FOR PRISCILLA ESENAM QUARSHIE'S FIRST BIRTHDAY.

**6.00PM**

PEOPLE OF THE PARISH

### MONDAY 22ND NOV

**9.00 AM**

### MEMORIAL OF ST. CECILIA

GUISE PHAM VAN TUAT, RIP. TERESA COHTIN, RIP. SUSANA NGUYENTHITUAT, RIP

**7.00PM**

### FERIA

MARIA LETHI THUNHAM, RIP. ANTON TRANVAN BINH, RIP. GRACE VILLANUEVA, BIRTHDAY THANKS

### WEDNESDAY 24TH NOV

**9.00AM**

### ST. ANDREW DUNG-LAC & COMPANIONS (M)

**7.00PM**

### FERIA

### THURSDAY 25TH NOV

**9.00AM**

**7.00PM**

### FRIDAY 26TH NOV

**9.00AM**

**7.00PM**

### FERIA

EVELYN OYERONKE MARTINS– TAILOR, RIP  
PRINCE AFAM ORIZU, SUCCESSFUL SURGERY AND SPEEDY RECOVERY.

### SATURDAY 27TH NOV

**10.00 AM**

**6.00PM**

### THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

DANIEL AND ALICE O' KEEFFE, RIP  
FLORENCE EJIMOOGU, RIP

## MISSION STATEMENT

We, the Parish community of Sacred Heart, Camberwell celebrates the presence of Christ in our lives. Central and true to our name, we celebrate, we stand, and we dedicate our lives, witnessing to the unfailing love and friendship of God, through His beloved Son, in whose Heart of love we find daily strength for our journey.

We are a catholic community, diverse and multicultural. Everyone has a voice and everyone is welcome.

We strive to make visible, God's love and care for the world in word, sacrament, and service to all. Nourished by the sacraments and in our diversity, we strive to create a supportive parish family that fosters communication. We use our talents as responsible stewards-accountable to God, to our neighbour, to our community and to the world at large.

Rev Fr Victor Darlington .

## SUNDAY READINGS

## SOLEMNITY OF CHRIST THE KING —YEAR B

## ENTRANCE ANTIphon

## REVELATION 5: 12; 1: 6

How worthy is the Lamb who was slain, to receive power and divinity, and wisdom and strength and honour.  
To him belong glory and power for ever and ever.

## FIRST READINGS

## DANIEL 7:13-14

I gazed into the visions of the night. And I saw, coming on the clouds of heaven, one like a son of man. He came to the one of great age and was led into his presence.

On him was conferred sovereignty, glory and kingship, and men of all peoples, nations and languages became his servants. His sovereignty is an eternal sovereignty which shall never pass away, nor will his empire ever be destroyed.

The Word of the Lord

**Thanks be to God**

## RESPONSORIAL PSALM

## PSALM 92(93):1-2,5

**R. The Lord is king, with majesty enrobed .**

The Lord is king, with majesty enrobed;  
the Lord has robed himself with might,  
he has girded himself with power. **R.**

The world you made firm, not to be moved;  
your throne has stood firm from of old.

From all eternity, O Lord, you are . **R.**

Truly your decrees are to be trusted.

Holiness is fitting to your house,  
O Lord, until the end of time . **R.**

## SECOND READING

## APOCALYPSE 1:5-8

Grace and peace to you from Jesus Christ, the faithful witness, the First-Born from the dead, the Ruler of the kings of the earth. He loves us and has washed away our sins with his blood, and made us a line of kings, priests to serve his God and Father; to him, then, be glory and power for ever and ever. Amen.

It is he who is coming on the clouds; everyone will see him, even those who pierced him, and all the races of the earth will mourn over him. This is the truth. Amen. 'I am the Alpha and the Omega' says the Lord God, who is, who was, and who is to come, the Almighty .

The Word of the Lord

**Thanks be to God**

## GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

## MARK 11:10

**Alleluia, Alleluia!**  
**Blessings on him who comes in the name of the Lord!**  
**Blessings on the coming kingdom of our father David!**  
**Alleluia!**

## GOSPEL

## JOHN 18:33-37

'Are you the king of the Jews?' Pilate asked. Jesus replied, 'Do you ask this of your own accord, or have others spoken to you about me?' Pilate answered, 'Am I a Jew?

It is your own people and the chief priests who have handed you over to me: what have you done?' Jesus replied, 'Mine is not a kingdom of this world; if my kingdom were of this world, my men would have fought to prevent my being surrendered to the Jews.

But my kingdom is not of this kind.' 'So you are a king then?' said Pilate. 'It is you who say it' answered Jesus. 'Yes, I am a king. I was born for this, I came into the world for this: to bear witness to the truth; and all who are on the side of truth listen to my voice.'

The Gospel of the Lord -  
**Praise to You Lord Jesus Christ**

## PRAYER OVER THE OFFERINGS

As we offer you, O Lord, the sacrifice by which the human race is reconciled to you, we humbly pray, that your Son himself may bestow on all nations the gifts of unity and peace.  
Through Christ our Lord .

## COMMUNION ANTIphon

## PSALM 28: 10-11

The Lord sits as King for ever.

The Lord will bless his people with peace

## PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Having received the food of immortality,  
we ask, O Lord,  
that, glorying in obedience to the commands of Christ,  
the King of the universe, we may live with him eternally in  
his heavenly kingdom.  
Who lives and reigns for ever and ever

# NOTICES OF THE WEEK

## PARISH FINANCE: WEEKLY DONATIONS

Donations can be paid into the Parish Account:

**Sacred Heart Church Camberwell.**

**Sort Code:** 60-50-01

**Account Number:** 79102409

### PARISH FINANCE COLLECTION

**First collection** amounted to £411.44

**Gift Aid** amounted to £245 not including standing orders.

**Second Collection:** Diocesan Administration amounted to £ 122.55

### GIFT AID & OFFERING

We have the Offering and Gift Aid boxes at the entrance and exit doors for our offering. Thank you for your generosity.

### FROM THE FINANCE DESK

We can now register our gift aid envelope online by picking a form from the parish website. After the details are entered , kindly email to:

camberwellfinance@rcaos.org.uk

### GIFT AID USERS

Please all gift aid users are kindly encouraged to pick up their envelopes at the exit door of the church with your names & numbers indicated on the envelopes.

### GIFT AID ENVELOPES

Gift aid envelopes for one off donations: we have now gift aid envelopes for anyone wishing to make a one off donation to the church. Please speak to any priest or pick up one from the sacristy.

### SECOND COLLECTION

Our second collection for today is for `the Catholic Youth Services.

### INFANT BAPTISM

Infant Baptism is ongoing. Kindly see any of the priest after Mass to discuss when you want your child baptised.

### LEGION OF MARY—JUNIOR PRAESIDIUM

The junior praesidium of the Legion of Mary is will be held every Sunday after 12noon mass, at our Lady's chapel.

### RCIA

The RCIA programme holds every Wednesday at 7pm in the hall. The enquiry period is still open for those who want to deepen their Catholic faith.

### CHRIST THE KING OLD BOYS ASSOCIATION SIERRA LEONE

This Sunday Christ the king old boys association Sierra Leone . This Sunday we welcome the old boys association of Christ the king Sierra Leone to our parish for their annual feast day celebration. This year they are having a separate mass at 2pm.

### MASS BOOKINGS

We have spaces available for the weekday Masses. Kindly call or text any of the priests to book a Mass.



### SUNDAY 5 PM ADORATION

We are reminded that Adoration of Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament takes place every Sunday at 5pm to 6pm followed by Mass.

### BAPTISM AND FIRST HOLY COMMUNION CLASSES 2022

Baptism and first holy communion classes 2022 The first class for children over 5 years old preparing for baptism and first holy communion will be on Saturday 8th January at 9am in the parish center All classes are compulsory and many thanks to all the parents and children who have registered for this programme. If you missed the introductory session no worries please come along on the first day of class and your child will be enrolled

### PEW REFURBISHMENT

The pews at St. Joseph's chapel is now open for our use. The pews at the back on the far left of the baptismal font will be undergoing refurbishment for the next two weeks. Please use the pews in other areas of the Church at this time. Thank you for your understanding. A big thank you to all those who continue to donate towards the ongoing pew refurbishment.. More donors are still needed for the back pews, anyone interested please speak to Fr Victor . Thank you for your generosity. For those who have pledged to support the pew refurbishment, kindly start redeeming your pledges. Thank you for your cooperation..

### MEMORIAL MASS FOR DECEASED CLERGY

The Priests of Camberwell Deanery, will hold a memorial Mass for deceased priests here in our parish on Friday 26th November at 7pm. All parishioners are encouraged to attend the Mass to pray for the souls of our departed priests. The choir should please take note. May their souls rest in peace. Amen

### BEDROOM WANTED

A parishioner is looking for a bedroom to rent in the South east area. Please contact any of the Priests if you can help.

# NOTICES OF THE WEEK

## OBITUARY

I received the sad news of the death of our dear parishioner Dorothy Esohe Imakon Agho, a young mother with four young children still in school. Please keep her husband and her children in your prayers at this sad time. As we await more details about her funeral, her children has set up a go fund me memorial / funeral support scheme for voluntary donation. The link is on the parish WhatsApp forum. May her gentle soul rest in peace Amen.

## THE SEASON OF ADVENT

Next weekend we shall begin the holy season of Advent. A special time set aside to look ahead to Christ's second coming and to remember his first coming - at Christmas. It is a time we prepare our hearts to welcome him again at Christmas, thus it is a period of devout and expectant delight.

I encourage you all to make the best use of this special season spiritually. Individual Confessions are encouraged at this time, please speak to any of the priests if you want confession or go to Westminster Cathedral if you like to see a different priest. May the advent season be truly blessed and fulfilling for us all Amen.

## CONFIRMATION 2022

Confirmation forms are now available for catholic children who are not in sacred heart school and are in year 9 or year 10 and have not done their confirmation. Please pick up a form from the sacristy. The forms will need to be completed and returned back to the priests latest by Sunday 19th December with copies of your baptism and first holy communion certificates. The first compulsory class for candidates and one parent is Sunday 16th January immediately after the 12 noon mass. During this meeting the format and modality of the programme will be explained.

## THE COMMISSION FOR PROMOTING RACIAL AND CULTURAL INCLUSION

This is the last week of the survey . Please scan the QR code or click on the link on the parish website and on the parish WhatsApp forum to take part in the survey

For those who picked hard copies of the survey, please submit them to any of the priests or to our seminarian Mark this week.

Thank you for your cooperation.



## NOVEMBER- THE MONTH FOR PRAYING FOR THE DEAD

November is that special month we pray for our loved ones who have passed on. As usual we shall place a box in front of the sanctuary for your mass intentions for the holy souls. In addition we shall display our picture board in memory of all our loved ones.

This last two years we have seen so many people passed on, they all shall be in our prayers. For those who wish to submit photographs of their loved ones who have died please pass them on to any of the priests or to our seminarian Mark .

## Sacred Heart Catholic Church "Tap to Donate" Online

Please be informed that the parish have started using the two devices for our contactless method of donation which are now located at the two entrances of the church.

**Thank you for your generosity.**



## **Donation by Credit/debit card**

We can use our credit/debit cards in the contactless/chip and pin terminals in church. Nowadays, we often don't carry cash with us when we go out, and many venues encourage cashless payments. With credit/debit cards, we can donate as we do online:



- the general parish funds (the same as the first collection at Mass)
- for a specific fundraising purpose in the parish
- Mass offerings
- Charitable/second collections (when they occur)

# NOTICES OF THE WEEK

## CONSULTATION AND FORM SIGNING

Since the presbytery and the parish office is not Covid-19 risk assessed, unfortunately face to face consultation and form signing with Fr. Victor is not permitted at this time. However, for those who wish to sign any forms or other documents, they are encouraged to fill in their parts and then drop off the form through our letter box addressed to me. Such forms will be ready for pick up by next day between 10am and 4pm.

For sacred heart school forms please show your baptism and first communion certificates to the priest or seminarian after mass and submit the form. You will then have to follow up to submit copies of same to the school along with the supplementary form.

For other school forms, please submit same way to the priests or seminarian and pick them up from the parish office during the week for submission to the school concerned yourselves.

For any other consultations please email [camberwell@rcaos.org.uk](mailto:camberwell@rcaos.org.uk) or call any of the priests directly or by text message, we shall respond to you promptly. Thank you for your cooperation.

## FOUNDATION GOVERNOR

St Francis Xavier Catholic Sixth Form College, Balham, a successful provider of outstanding full-time education to 16 - 19 year olds from the whole community, is seeking a foundation governor. Do you have an interest in education with skills and experience that would be useful to our governing body, responsible for preserving and developing the educational character and mission of the College; its solvency and assets and the achievements and safeguarding of its students? This is a voluntary but demanding, interesting and professional role for a practising Roman Catholic who has the time to prepare for, attend and participate in at least six evening meetings each year (full Board and minimum one sub-committee). The governors are particularly, but not exclusively, seeking volunteers with current experience / expertise in Human Resources management or accountancy / audit.

If you are interested, or would like to know more, please contact Eleanor Lewis, Clerk to the Governors (020 8772 6062 – e.lewis@sfx.ac.uk). Website: sfx.ac.uk

## NHS TEST AND TRACE APP

For those who have registered with this app you don't need to write down your names as you enter the Church. The parish now have the QR code which you can scan as you enter the church. This is located at the entrance of the Church. For those without the App, please continue to sign in on the sheets provided for each Mass, for the safety of us all. Thank you for your cooperation.

## **Do you have skills to offer as a Governor or Trustee in the Catholic schools in Southwark?**

The Education Commission for the Roman Catholic Archdiocese of Southwark ([rcaoseducation.org.uk](http://rcaoseducation.org.uk)) is looking to build up its list of people able to offer time, expertise and commitment to support primary, secondary schools and sixth form colleges in Southwark.

The Diocese needs local people from its parishes to volunteer as foundation governors in Catholic maintained schools and academies. It also needs people to become trustees/directors in their multi-academy trusts.

Could you spare a few hours a month?

These are fulfilling roles though not without challenges. Governors and trustees work together as a team to ensure a good standard of education is being achieved. Being a governor or a trustee is an opportunity to develop the skills you have, undertake service to the community and to improve the futures of children today.

You do not need to be a parent or work in the education sector. The Diocese welcomes interest from all sectors of society and across all ages. It is looking for people with finance and accounting, legal and HR, premises and health and safety experience. Induction, training and mentoring will be provided.

Some further information can be found here: [DBS-Role-of-Foundation-Governor.pdf](http://rcaoseducation.org.uk) ([rcaoseducation.org.uk](http://rcaoseducation.org.uk))

If you would like to know more, please fill in the form below to register your interest. A member of the team will be in contact shortly to talk with you about the process. Suitable candidates will then receive a statement of support from their parish priest, provide 2 referees and undertake a DBS before allocation to a school.

Could you become a Governor? – Education Commission for the Roman Catholic Archdiocese of Southwark ([rcaoseducation.org.uk](http://rcaoseducation.org.uk))

*Those interested please speak to any of the priests or to see exact details in the parish newsletter in the parish WhatsApp forum or on the parish website*

## SYNOD RESOURCES - 1

### About the Synod - Helping people walk the Synodal Way

#### Introduction

Pope Francis has asked the whole Catholic Church worldwide to engage in a process of discernment under the guidance of the Holy Spirit. This process is called a synod. It involves everyone in the Church - clergy, religious, and lay Catholics, each participating according to the gifts and charisms of their vocation. The word 'synod' comes from two Greek words 'sun' meaning together and 'hodos' meaning way. The English word synod therefore mean making our way tougher, journeying together along the way, united in Christ, the Way, the Truth and the Life.

In our Archdiocese, Archbishop John is inviting everyone to respond to the invitation of Pope Francis and take part in the initial diocesan listening phase of the Synod. Each local parish is asked to host a meeting, or series of meetings, where conversations about the Church's mission in the life of the parish and the diocese can be prayerfully examined; and where the will of the Lord can be discerned, as we seek to go in faith and number.

Coming together in this way, we place ourselves in the presence of the Lord, and one another, to hear His voice more clearly. All of this is done to help us to witness more effectively as missionary disciples in our parish and diocese as the Local Church.

To help with this phase of the process, we offer some meeting templates, together with prayer resources for parish meetings. These are to assist everyone who gathers to both listen and hear what the Lord is saying to his Church.

We would like every parish to have two delegates to enable this process. We also, therefore, offer guidance about how you might approach the selection of your parish delegates.

Every person matters to the Lord and his Church, every voice matters and every story is important.

To help in gathering together people from across the life of your parish and community, we have also included some commonly asked questions to help explain the Synodal Way and to encourage people to enter into this vital period of discernment.

#### **Next Steps?**

The Archbishop is calling us to take part in the listening phase of the Synod which Pope Francis has invited the whole Church to join.

Our parish delegates are Madeleine Merrifield and Anthony Asagba they will support the process in our parish and will attend the diocesan meetings on our behalf in the diocese. They will help to collect and co-ordinate our parish response in this process. We are very grateful for both of them for doing this on our behalf.

For more information, see below;

Websites: [rcaos.org.uk/synod](http://rcaos.org.uk/synod) (from 18 October 2021)

[aec.rcaos.org.uk/synod](http://aec.rcaos.org.uk/synod) (from 11 October 2021)

#### Prayer cards for the Synod

**Please pick up prayer cards for your family and friends at the entrance and exit doors as we all pray daily for the guidance of the Holy Spirit towards a successful Synod.**