



# OUR LADY OF MOUNT CARMEL, REDDITCH

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NEWSLETTER 1943 **SOLEMNITY OF CHRIST THE KING** 22ND NOVEMBER 2020

Readings Ezekiel 34:11-12, 15-17 Psalm 22 1 Corinthians 15:20-26,28 Gospel Matthew 25:31-46

## Reflection for this weekend .....

Today we celebrate the feast of Christ the King.

In Matthew's scene of the Last Judgement, Christ is portrayed as a stern King and Judge. But this image shouldn't be over-emphasised. Ezekiel (*First Reading*) has a gentler image—that of a good shepherd who, while caring for all the sheep in his flock, shows particular care for the weak and wounded ones. This was the image Christ himself used to describe his person and his mission. And his followers show that they truly belong to his kingdom by their service of 'the little ones.'

Paul says that at the end of time Christ will triumph over all evil, the last evil being death.

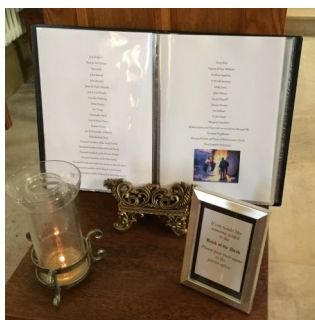


## Private Prayer

Mount Carmel Church will be open for Private Prayer Monday—Friday at 11am—12 noon

On Saturdays and Sundays Private Prayer with Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament 11am—12 noon

Face Coverings: It is mandatory that these **ARE WORN FOR PRIVATE PRAYER** please bring your own face covering with you.



## Mount Carmel Live Streamed Mass Sundays at 4.30pm

Every Sunday at 4.30pm Fr Tony will celebrate Mass in Mount Carmel Church.

The Link is : [www.eventcast.uk/live](http://www.eventcast.uk/live) (Please note : type the link into the browser on your computer, do not use a search engine)

## November—Month of the Holy Souls Book of Remembrance in Church

Please place the names of the faithful departed in an envelope and either hand into the parish office or through the letter box together with a donation if you wish to do so. Their

names will be entered into the Book of the Dead which will be present on the sanctuary throughout the month of November.

**Mass for deceased parishioners November 2019—November 2020 will be the live-streamed Mass next Sunday at 4.30pm.**

## MASS INTENTIONS SOLEMNITY OF CHRIST THE KING 22ND NOVEMBER 2020

<b>Saturday</b>	Peter & David McHugh
<b>Sunday</b>	Tim Herlihy (a), Deceased members of the Grady Family, Eithne Lyons, Peter McBennett (a) 4.30pm live-streamed Mass : Jerry Rohan
<b>Monday</b>	Eileen & James Herlihy. Angela McDaid
<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>NB NO PRIVATE PRAYER 11.30am Funeral Mass Lydia Slevin, Tony Gallagher (a), Patricia Morgan</b>
<b>Wednesday</b>	Jess Creswell, Pat Finn
<b>Thursday</b>	Mary O'Brien, Marian Rutter
<b>Friday</b>	Bronislawa & Wojciech Slobodzian (b'day a), Patricia Smith
<b>Saturday</b>	Christine Latham

## FIRST SUNDAY IN ADVENT 29TH NOVEMBER 2020

<b>Saturday</b>	Thomas Meagher (a)
<b>Sunday</b>	George Robins (a), Charles Bright 4.30pm live-streamed Mass : <b>Mass for Deceased Parishioners (Nov 2019-Nov 2020)</b>

**For the dead ...** Your prayers are asked for **LYDIA SLEVIN** Funeral Mass 11.30am Tuesday 24th November, **KATHLEEN VANSTONE** Funeral Mass 11 am Monday 7th December, **MARY BAK (NEE BRIGHT)** Funeral details not yet known. May their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen

## For the Sick ...

Your prayers are asked for **BRIAN DIXON, KAREN, MARGARET LYNCH, MARY WITHERS, KEN MCARDLE, BERNARD BYRNE, JESSICA HINDSON, , DYMPHNA MOORE**

## Lamp at the Shrine of Our Lady

This week the lamp burns for the intentions of the **DURKAN FAMILY**  
Next week for **ELLA'S INTENTIONS**

## Lamp at the Shrine of the Sacred Heart

This week the lamp burns for **ELLA'S INTENTIONS**  
Next week for the intentions of the **HARDCASTLE FAMILY**

## Saints for the Week ...

**Sunday** Solemnity of Christ the King, Youth Sunday

**Monday** **Saint Clement I, Pope, Martyr** or of **Saint Columban, Abbot, Missionary**  
(+97) St Clement was the third pope after St Peter and author of the famous letter to the Corinthians, an early example of the Bishop of Rome's universal jurisdiction. Tradition records him being sentenced to hard labour in the Crimea and thrown into the sea, tied to an anchor.  
(c540-625) St Columban was born in Leinster, Ireland, and entered the monastic life at an early age. With a dozen companions he travelled to the continent and founded many monasteries in France and Italy, including Luxeuil and Bobbio, although his strict discipline sometimes aroused opposition. He died in Bobbio in 615.

**Tuesday** **Saint Andrew Dung-Lac, Priest, and companions, Martyrs**  
St Andrew Dung-Lac was a Vietnamese priest martyred in 1839. He was one of a group of one hundred and seventeen martyrs put to death in the nineteenth century. They were canonised in 1988. Altogether between 130,000 and 300,000 Catholics were martyred in Vietnam from the seventeenth to the nineteenth centuries.

**Wednesday** **Saint Catherine of Alexandria**  
St Catherine lived during the fourth century. She was a learned girl of noble birth who protested against the persecution of Christians which was ordered by the Roman Emperor, Maxentius. She converted the Emperor's wife, and defeated in debate the best scholars sent to oppose her. Very little is known about her life; she was popular in the Middle Ages.

**Saturday** **Our Lady on Saturday**

## Walk with Me Booklets for Advent

These are available from the side porches (they are individually wrapped) to take home with you.  
If you wish to leave a donation, please place in the Offertories Basket located in the side porches. Thank you.

## Mount Carmel Diaries 2021

These are available from the parish office, £1 each

## St Thomas More Catholic First School

Need to apply for a school place for your child?

Start your child's journey 'Learning, loving and living together with Christ' at St Thomas More First School

Take a look at their tour of Reception Class on their school website:

<https://www.stthomasmorefirst.com/reception-2021-intake/>



First School (Reception) - if you have a child born between 1st September 2016—31st August 2017 you need to apply for a place at a first school. Applications have to be made on line. **Closing date 15th January 2021.** Parents & Carers will be advised of the outcome on the National Offer Day on 16th April 2021.

## Messages to the Brave

Fr Alfred Buju, Maisoon Badawi, Palwasha Hassan, Claudelice Silva do Santos, the Guapinol Water defenders and the La Larga and Tumaradó Afro-Colombian Community Council are all human rights defenders and environmental activists risking everything to defend our brothers and sisters and protect our common home. As an act of solidarity and support CAFOD is inviting Catholics to send them a Christmas Card. More than 300 human rights defenders were killed last year while fighting to protect their lands, nature, to halt the climate crisis or stand up for peace and human rights. Hundreds more were threatened. This Advent, amid the bustle of the season and the waiting in joyful expectation, remember they are waiting too—for justice and safety. In the face of threats, your card will help show them that they aren't alone in their struggles but that there are people in the UK who are praying and standing by them. Please send a card of solidarity to the brave. You can either send a card on line or by post (to arrive by 7th December). To find out more and how to send the cards visit <http://cafod.org.uk/Campaign/Latest-campaigns/Messages-to-the-brave> or if you don't have access to the internet post to : (Name of Human Rights Defender), Campaigns Team, CAFOD, Romero House, 55 Westminster Bridge Road, London SE1 7JB

## Christmas Shoe Boxes—new collection date

The collection date for boxes this year is **5th—14th November**. They can be taken to Christ Church, Matchborough. During this pandemic, an idea could be to do a box online using the following website: [www.samaritans-purse.org.uk/occ](http://www.samaritans-purse.org.uk/occ) - simply choose which age and gender to pack for, select from a range of gifts, add a personalised note or photo, make your donation and this will be packed and sent for you. The children will really love to have these boxes this Christmas after a difficult year.

## Mount Carmel 500 Club Winners for October

1st Prize £120.00 No 174 Michael Russell 2nd Prize £50 No 30 Mary Cummins

## Pray without ceasing Churches Together in Redditch Prayer Service for Climate Change

You are invited to join them for a short service of prayer, reflection and action on climate justice with friends from around the world. World leaders should have been gathering in Glasgow for COP26, now postponed until November 2021; to mark the original date, and to reflect on our role for more ambitious climate action, we will gather from all over the world for a short service of prayer & reflection. To register visit [www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/prayer-service-for-climate-justice-tickets-126525259457](http://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/prayer-service-for-climate-justice-tickets-126525259457)

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