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PART OF THE LODDON VALLEY PASTORAL AREA

23rd November 2008

Christ the King

- **Offertory collection**
16th November:
Envelopes £192.90
Loose cash £489.77
Standing Orders £650.00
Total: £1332.67

Thank you very much for your kind donations

- Special collection TODAY for **CAFOD Congo Crisis** or you can donate via the CAFOD FREEPHONE number: 0500 85 88 85
For up to date information: www.cafod.org.uk/congocrisis

- TODAY is **National Youth Sunday** - encouraging our youth to "reclaim the future"
- And today marks the **end of liturgical Year A**. Please bring back any Year A parish Mass books you may have borrowed!

THIS WEEK! Our next **parish prayer evening** is on **Tuesday 25th November** at 7.45pm. All welcome

Advent is coming!
Advent starts NEXT SUNDAY and marks the start of the liturgical year. We will be starting **Cycle B** in which we will hear mostly the Gospels of **St. Mark**



From Next Sunday you can get your copy of **Advent My Day by Day** and an **Advent prayer candle** here, to help guide your family through the season

CONFESSIONS available on **Friday evenings** from **7pm-7.30pm** in the confessional

Feast of Christ the Universal King

Most people would dread coming face to face with authority to account for what they have been entrusted with.

It could equally be exciting for those who are sure to please the King because they have worked very hard and diligently carried out the command of the King. The question is, on what basis is judgment made by other authorities or kings? Christ our King will simply base His accountability test on His commandment; love of God and love of neighbour, the very insignificant things we take for granted like the deeds analyzed by Jesus in Matthew's Gospel (25:31-46). At the end of time, we are simply going to be asked how we related with our neighbour and God; what we did and what we failed to do.

There are simple things we sometimes take for granted; never neglect to do those small good deeds, so that you have no regrets. So, "whatsoever you do to the least of my brothers, that you do unto me".

As we prepare to begin another phase of our Christian journey during the coming Advent season, ask yourself what more you can do to carry out the King's wish and command.

Fr. Anthony

"I tell you solemnly, in so far as you did this to one of the least of these brothers of mine, you did it to me"



DON'T FORGET! We're hosting an **INTERFAITH MEETING** here - **TOMORROW, Mon. 24th November, 7.30pm**. An opportunity to gather with

members of other faith communities as they hear Fr. Anthony talk about our Catholic faith, then a discussion before sharing supper. For catering purposes, if you want to come please contact Mel Noronha ASAP! See green posters

Lost property: if you have lost anything in church, please reclaim it from our **Lost Property box** outside the D.B. Room. Recent items found include a small gold 'flower' ring - is it yours?

Any items still here by end of November will be taken to a charity shop! PLEASE do not leave jumble/charity donations here - kindly take them to a charity shop

Only 1 week to go until the start of Advent!



Fair Trade Christmas cards will be available at all Masses next **Sunday 30th November**. If you urgently need them before then, please contact Joan on 0118 926 4729

Next Sunday 30th November the UCM will be holding their **Christmas sale after all Masses**, in the Advent Room. Come and support it - start your Christmas shopping! All proceeds will go towards our Senior Citizens' Annual Dinner

Parish of Our Lady and St. Anne, Caversham invites all married people to celebrate the sacrament of **marriage with Mass** on **Fri. 5th Dec.** at 8pm. See posters

Welcome ministry: the **new Rota** for Nov. 2008 - March 2009 has been drawn up and circulated by e-mail to those on the list. If you have not yet received the rota by e-mail, copies are now available at back of church (in Advent Room) for you to take. Due to a computer failure some information may not be up to date; please e-mail Catherine Kernthaler (via the Parish Office) who will amend the information. Thank you to all who participate as part of the rota and to those not on rota who step in when needed! God bless

CHURCHES TOGETHER: CHRISTMAS LEAFLETS Our allocation of leaflets for distribution in local roads is now in the Advent Room. Each bundle has been counted, so please could we have **volunteers** to deliver the appropriate bundle(s) of leaflets to houses in the named roads, **by ~mid-December?** Thank you

MASS TIMES and PARISH DIARY 23RD - 30TH NOVEMBER

DATE	TIME	DEDICATION	MASS INTENTION	PARISH DIARY
Sunday 23 rd Nov.	9 am 11 am 5pm	Christ the King	Ken Mansfield RIP (anniv.) Audrey & Michael Shaw (50 th wedding anniversary) Dora & Harry Ward RIP (Foundation Mass)	1pm-6pm: Pantomime group meeting (Carl Barton Room)
Monday 24 th Nov.	NO MASS	St. Andrew Dung-Lac & Companions		7.30pm: INTERFAITH MEETING (Church) 8pm: SVP meeting (at Rosemarie's house)
Tues. 25 th	9.45 am		Cardia Gonsales RIP	8pm: PARISH PRAYER EVENING (Church)
Wednes. 26 th Nov.	9.45 am		Holy Souls	~10:20am: Prayer Group after Mass 2.15pm: Rosary prayed in church 8pm: Choir practice for 9am Mass
Thur. 27 th	9.45 am		Hannah Turner RIP	7pm: Wedding rehearsal (Church)
Friday 28 th Nov.	7.30pm		Jane Mooney RIP	6.30pm: Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
Sat. 29 th	NO MASS		3pm: Wedding of Vikki Harris and Andrew Glancy	
Sunday 30 th Nov.	9 am 11 am 5pm	First Sunday of Advent	Bernie Pettit Laurie Aitken RIP Kathleen McAteer RIP	3pm-6pm: Pantomime Group meeting (Hall)

*** CHILDREN'S LITURGY during 9am and 11am Masses each week ***

*** CUBS Mondays 6.45pm / BEAVERS Thursdays 5.45pm / SCOUTS Fridays 8pm, each week ***

Please keep in your prayers all those whose anniversaries occur about this time:

† Violet Lefebure (1977), Martin Sexton (1995), Harold Nunn (2002), Kenneth Mansfield (1987),
Mary Underwood (2000), William O'Riordan (1996), Peter Sellen (2004), Z. Maratona (1991),
and Olive Henry (1991). †

Our 5pm Mass on Sunday 28th December will be offered for all those in our parish who have given so generously to the Priests' Retirement Fund. Mass is offered annually at each parish in the diocese for all such benefactors

Life in the Spirit seminars continue every **Wed.** evening up to & including 3rd Dec., **7.45pm** at **St. John Bosco**

THIS WEEK! **Charity screening of The Nativity Story:** Tues. 25th Nov., 10am at Vue Cinema, The Oracle, Reading. Tickets only £3 - call Coral at Prospects on 01189 516 965. **Come along!** All proceeds will go to the Prospects charity

FREE student tuition! Peter Gunasekera (qualified experienced teacher) is offering **free lessons** in **GCSE maths & chemistry** and **A-Level chemistry** on Saturdays, 3.30pm-4.30pm here at church. If interested please contact Peter on 0118 986 3692

Next ecumenical **Julian meeting of contemplative prayer** will be held on Thursday 27th November in the Upper Room at Abbey Baptist Church. The session will run from 10am to 10.45am and will be followed by coffee for those who wish to stay

Uphold the standards of TV and media
If you see or hear anything on TV/radio which you want to complain about, e.g. too much swearing/violence, you can and should write in about it. Please note down the **name, date & time of the programme** and write to:
OFCOM, The Contact Centre, Riverside House, 2a Southwark Bridge Road, London SE1 9HA
or e-mail: contact@ofcom.org.uk or Tel. 020 7981 3000.
Or you can contact the specific channel:

Is it possible to live this way? Come to the launch of a book co-presented by Cardinal Cormac Murphy-O'Connor at Westminster Cathedral Hall on Thurs. 27th Nov. at 6.30pm. All welcome. See poster and postcards in Advent Room

BBC: www.bbc.co.uk/complaints/
Tel. 08700 100222
ITV: dutyoffice@itv.com
Tel. 0870 600 6766
Channel 4: www.channel4.com
Tel. 0845 076 0191
FIVE: customerservices@five.tv
Tel: 020 7421 7270

CTEER invites everyone to celebrate Advent at an **Advent Service NEXT SUNDAY, Sunday 30th Nov.**, 6.30pm at Earley St. Peter's Church. **Come and get spiritually festive!**

URGENT - CTEER still needs a secretary ASAP! For details contact Rev. Keith Wilson keithwilson@tiscali.co.uk or Bernie waters home.waters@btinternet.com

Year 6 and Year 11 parents: St. Joseph's Convent School is now recruiting girls for entry Sept. 2009 for Year 7 in Senior Department and Year 12 in Sixth Form. Scholarships and bursaries are available. Year 7 Entrance Examination will take place on Tuesday 6th January 2009. For application form or further details, please contact Debbie Kendrick, PA to Headmistress, on 0118 966 1000 or visit www.st-josephs.reading.sch.uk

SUNDAY MASS TIMES IN LODDON VALLEY PASTORAL AREA

- ♦ **St. John Bosco, Woodley:** Sat. 6.30pm, Sun. 10am.
- ♦ **Christ the King, Whitley:** Sat. 6.30pm, Sun. 10am.
- ♦ **St. Thomas More, Twyford:** Sat. 6.30pm, Sun. 10.30am.
- ♦ **Our Lady of Peace, Wargrave:** Sun. 9am.

Emergency contact numbers for Ministry of a priest:

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PLEASE CALL YOUR OWN PARISH PRIEST FIRST

PARISH OFFICE is open this week Tuesday - Friday from 9am - 2pm