

## Parish Bereavement Support Group

can be contacted via the Parish Office .

**Sat 5 Jan (2019)** Fr Leon Pereira, Chaplain to the English Speaking Pilgrims in Medjugorje is coming to our parish with a talk entitled "Experience Medjugorje and Our Lady's Messages". We will start with adoration at 11.00am, Holy Mass at midday, followed by lunch and talk and Benediction.

## Pilgrimage to Poland 2019

We are planning a pilgrimage to Poland in 2019 (June 5th -June 11th); the group, under the leadership of Father Stan, will be visiting Warsaw, Krakow, Czestochowa (the Shrine of the Black Madonna), the Salt mines, Auschwitz, Wadowice (the home town of St. John Paul II), and other places of interest. Sign in sheet in the Advent Room.

For more information please contact Nancy Johnson (0118 9262315/ 07745 434888/e-mail nancy.johnson7@btinternet.com

## Volunteers needed

**Offertory Counters Rota:** The Rota for 2019 will be issued next week and it would be wonderful if we could add a few new names to the list of volunteers. For more details or to

volunteer, please contact the parish office. Also if anybody on the current rota wants to come off the list for next year, please tell the office ASAP.

**11am Readers Rota:** Please contact the Parish office if you would like to join the 11am Reading Rota. Training will be provided.

## Pastoral Events

### "ON FIRE!" PRAYER & HEALING SERVICE – SATURDAY, 1ST DECEMBER: 5 – 7 PM

A celebration of Praise, and a Healing Service at St Joseph's, Tilehurst - Come and worship with us. Please bring your friends and family. Come for 2 hours or just for 10 minutes. See what wonders the Lord has for you! Do not be afraid to open your heart to the power of the Holy Spirit. All are welcome!

**CAFOD World Gifts – the true spirit of Christmas Giving** Give a gift that will change a life . There are gifts for every budget from £4 to £46. Each CAFOD World gift has been chosen for the real and lasting difference it makes to families living in developing countries. Catalogues in the Advent Room or visit [cafod.org.uk/worldgifts](http://cafod.org.uk/worldgifts)

**Youth Group Coordinator:** *Jean-Sixte*  
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**Emergency numbers for a Priest –**  
*Please call your own priest first*

Christ the King, Whitley	Sat 6.30pm; Sun 10.00am
St. John Bosco, Woodley	Sat 6.30pm; Sun 10.00am
St. James	Sat 6.00pm; Sun 11.00am
English Martyrs, Tilehurst	Sat 6.30pm; Sun 9.30am, 11.30am, 5.00pm
St. Joseph, Tilehurst	Sun 8.30am, 10.30am
St. William of York	Sun 9.00am, 11.00am (in Latin) 6.00pm (Students' Mass)
Our Lady & St. Anne, Caversham	Sat 5.30pm; Sun 10.00am, 6.30pm

Fr. Pat Madden	0118 931 4469
Fr. Bill Wilson	0118 969 3423
Cn. John O'Shea	0118 957 4171
Cn. Michael Dennehy	0118 957 2149
Fr. Peter Glas	0118 942 8632
Fr. Mathew Goddard / Fr. Patrick O'Donohue	0118 966 5284
Msr. Patrick Daly	0118 947 1787

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The Church is open on Tuesdays, Wednesdays & Fridays 11am-4pm

**Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe**

**25th November 2018**  
**Year B p91**

## The image of our King

Jesus Christ is the centre of the history of mankind and the centre of each of us as individuals. He is the Sovereign, even when it looks like that everything is lost. He reigns always, even during the period of great distress and confusion when we have already entered the valley of darkness, when the sun has lost its brightness. Jesus Christ is the Lord also during the historical moment when Pontius Pilate's made judgment over Him. He is the Lord at the time when He is put under our judgmental authority; when we are asked to join others in shouting 'crucify him!'. At the end, there is a very subtle tension on my heart: "if my conscience is the ultimate authority (?)"

Whatever we say, Jesus crowned with thorns standing at the feet of Pilate's seat, is a completely free person. He, who although being mocked and abused in public by authorities, is fully committed to the Father, full of tranquillity and serenity. In His face we see the Father, as if heaven became open to us in the middle of the world full of contradictions, tensions, hatred and violence.

Jesus Christ standing at the feet of the worldly authorities says 'yes' and 'no' and opens the narrow gate to the Father in the middle of various tensions found in us. In the middle of confusion and hatred then our conscience can also submit itself to Him, whose Heart is undivided: Behold the Man-God, the King of the Universe.

Fr Stan

**Psalm Response: The Lord is king, with majesty enrobed.**

**CUBS** Mon. 6.45pm / **BEAVERS** Thurs. 5.45pm / **SCOUTS** Fri 8pm in HALL

Date & Dedication	Time	Mass Intentions etc
Sun 25th Nov Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe (Solemnity)	8.30am 9.00am 11.00am 5.00pm	Rosary Angela Ritacco RIP Eric Skilton RIP Cajagne Maria RIP
Mon 26th Nov	9.30am 10.00am	Rosary Ken Mansfield
Tue 27th Nov	No Mass	
Wed 28th Nov	No Mass	
Thu 29th Nov	No Mass	
Fri 30th Nov St Andrew	No Mass 11.00am	Adoration till 8.00am Saturday
Sat 1st Dec	8.00am No Mass	Overnight Adoration finishes at 8.00am
Sun 2nd Dec 1st Sunday of Advent	8.30am 9.00am 11.00am 5.00pm	Rosary Alice Willson RIP (Foundation Mass) Michael John Shaw RIP Allen & Powell family RIP

### Sacrament of Reconciliation

20 minutes before Sunday & Weekday Masses. On Fridays and Holy Days of Obligation 6.00pm-7.15pm or by private appointment with Fr Stan

11am Mass Children's liturgy: Please register your child before Mass..

### Anniversaries: Please keep in your prayers

**25th:** Martin Sexton (1995); Harold Nunn(2002).  
**26th:** Kenneth Mansfield (1987); Eric Skilton (2014); **27th:** Mary Underwood (2000);  
**29th** William O'Riordan (1996); Peter Sellen (2004);  
**30th :** Z Maratona (1991); Olive Henry (1991);

### Collection 18th November 2018

	Main	
Envelopes	£	113.32
Loose Cash	£	418.63
Standing Orders	£	742.50
Totals	£	1,274.45

Thank you all for your kind donations.

### Resources

**November and Advent editions of My Day by Day** £1 per copy

**Shorter Morning Prayer** £9 per copy  
Please leave money in the boxes next to the books in the Advent Room

### This week

**Sunday 25th November**, feast of Christ the King, the Church invites young people to be at the heart of our celebration of National Youth Sunday. 11am Mass is dedicated to all the youth in our Parish.

**Sunday 25th Nov. Confirmation session:** After 11am Mass in Carl Barton Room.

**Tue 27th Nov at 7.30pm Journey of Faith (RCIA)** An Invitation to an informal enquiry evening with refreshments in the Dominic Barberi Room. Are you thinking about joining the Catholic Family? Do you as an adult wish to receive your First Holy Communion or be Confirmed? Are you a "resting" Catholic, seeking to be more active? Do you want to know more about Jesus Christ and his message? Come and find out more - there's no obligation! *Come and see* Jn 1:39

**Sat 1 Dec 6.30pm Parish Christmas Dinner** Please note the time change! We hope to have a wonderful time. Sincere apologies to parishioners who didn't manage to buy tickets in time.

### Advent

**Tree of Gifts** Please let John or Nancy know your suggestions for the charity that should benefit from this year's Tree of Gifts, ASAP!

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**Poem Competition** All Children and Youth are encouraged to enter the Christmas Poem competition. The topic could be anything relating to Christmas, such as the star or the stable. Entries need to be in by Sat 15th Dec - please send to church office, ideally by email.

**Christmas Resources** We have a plentiful supply of Christmas Resources on display in the Advent Room especially 2019 catholic diary and

Advent calendars. Please come and have a look in the Advent Room. Thank you.

**Mon 3rd Dec** You are invited to a **prayer meeting** in our church 7.45pm for 8.00pm prompt start until 9.30pm. It will include praise, thanksgiving, intercession, scripture reading and time to discuss.

**Fri 7th Dec 7.30pm Vigil Mass of the Immaculate Conception.** All welcome., Followed by continuation of Adoration through the night.

**Sat 8th Dec 12.30pm: Mass for The Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary .**

**Sat 8th Dec starting at 10.00am CWA and their dedication.** Led by Bishop Philip. Everyone welcome. Please come and pray for our group of women. Lunch (provided) after Mass.

**Traidcraft Christmas Cards** are now ready for collection. Pay with cash or by cheque (payable to "Our Lady of Peace Church"). Thank you.

**From Wednesday 5th Dec during Advent - Rorate Mass at 6.30am.** Come and celebrate Mass by candlelight before dawn at 6.30am followed by breakfast .

### Parish News & Future Events

**Mass Intention:** From this Sunday, Mass Intention book for 2018 & 2019 will be in the Advent room during Sunday's for you to book your Mass Intention. During weekday, the book will be in the Parish Office.

**Next First Holy Communion session :Sunday 2nd Dec.** Candidates to come for 11am Mass and have a meeting with Father Stan after Mass. Later meet for 3rd session in Church at 2.30pm.

**Baptism:** If you wish to celebrate the baptism (of a child) here, please contact Father Stan.