

Prayer in preparation for Synod 2021

Father, we thank you for the love you have shown us in the gift of Jesus, your Son.

We thank you for the gift of the Church, through which you show us that you are always with us and are always at work in our lives.

As we journey together to Synod 2020 help us to become the Church that you are calling us to be.

May your Holy Spirit be powerfully at work among us. Strengthen each of us and guide Francis, our Pope and Malcolm, our Archbishop. Help us to respond to the challenges of our times in new ways, to bring your love to all our sisters and brothers.

We make this prayer through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

St. John Henry Newman,
Pray for us.

Parish Priest: Father Colin Fealey

Deacons: Rev. Adrian Anwyl
Rev. Sean O'Donovan

The Sanctuary Lamp, Blessed Virgin Mary Lamp and St. Paschal Baylon Lamp can be lit for your intentions. Please contact the parish office—donation £5.

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Monday 9am-3.45pm

Tuesday 9am-2.45pm

CLOSED all day Wednesday & Weekend

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Gift Aid

Anyone who pays tax can Gift Aid to the parish. For every £1 you give the parish can claim 25p from the HMRC with no expense to you. Standing orders can be organised via the parish office.



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28th March, 2021 Year B Passion Sunday Psalter Week 2

So they took branches of palm trees and went out to meet him, crying, "Hosanna! Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord, even the King of Israel!" And Jesus found a young ass and sat upon it; as it is written, "Fear not, daughter of Zion; behold, your king is coming, sitting on an ass's colt (Jn 12:13-15)!"

Today we commemorate Christ's entry into Jerusalem for the completion of the Paschal Mystery. In the old calendar before Vatican II, the Church celebrated Passion Sunday two Sundays before Easter, and then Palm Sunday was the beginning of Holy Week. The Church has combined the two to reinforce the solemnity of Holy Week.

The Palm Sunday procession is formed of Christians who, in the "fullness of faith," make their own the gesture of the Jews and endow it with its full significance. Following the Jews' example we proclaim Christ as a Victor... Hosanna to the Son of David! Blessed is He who comes in the Name of the Lord. But by our faith we know, as they did not, all that His triumph stands for. He is the Messiah, the Son of David and the Son of God. He is the sign of contradiction, acclaimed by some and reviled by others. Sent into this world to wrest us from sin and the power of Satan, He underwent His Passion, the punishment for our sins, but issues forth triumphant from the tomb, the victor over death, making our peace with God and taking us with Him into the kingdom of His Father in heaven.



Palm Sunday

We apologise when times and Mass intentions occasionally need to be changed at short notice for Requiem Masses etc.

Saturday	27th	5.30pm	People of the Parish
Sunday	28th	9.30am	Veronica McLindon RIP
		11.00am	Aline Harwood RIP
Monday	29th	7.00am	Safe Confinement
		10.00am	Requiem Mass: Dorothy Harris
		6—7 pm	Exposition & Holy Hour
Tuesday	30th	9.10am	Bill Woods RIP
		6—7pm	Exposition & Holy Hour
Wednesday	31st	6.00pm	Stations of the Cross
		6.45pm	Adam Ball RIP
Thursday	1st	7.30pm	Ann Fealey RIP
			watching until 10.00pm –ending with Night Prayer
Friday	2nd	9.00am	Office of Readings & Morning Prayer
		10.00am	Stations of the Cross
		3.00pm	Solemn Liturgy
		6.30pm	Meditations at the Cross

First Mass of Easter

Saturday	3rd	7.30pm	Kathleen Kidd RIP
Sunday	4th	9.30am	Parishioners
		11.00am	James Furlong

Masses received this week: Joe Davies RIP, Robert Brown RIP X 4, Josephine Gallagher RIP, Joan Gallagher Spec Int, Spec Int, Sr Maria Natella O.P, Elizabeth White RIP, Tom Hennessy Birthday, Brian Tolen, Dennis Adderley RIP x 2, Sarah Peacock, Sara Richardson, Tom Kearon RIP, John Pursall RIP, Thanksgiving Lucia Lowe, Helen McDonald RIP, Lena Tallon RIP.

Enrolled into Mass Association this week: Mary Cribben RIP William Daley , Elizabeth White RIP X 2, Sister Gloriana, Lena Tallon RIP, The Gannon family.

We entrust these and all our Intentions to the heart of our community of prayer.

2021, Year of St Joseph

With his Apostolic Letter ‘Patris Corde’ (***With a Father’s Heart***), Pope Francis recalls the 150th anniversary of the declaration of St Joseph as patron of the Universal Church. To mark the occasion, the Holy Father has proclaimed A Year of St Joseph, to be kept from December 2020 to the 8th December 2021.

Last Friday, 19th March, the Catholic Church throughout the world celebrated St. Joseph’s Feast Day. Throughout the rest of this special year dedicated to St. Joseph, his statue will be kept in our Church porch, offering us a welcome as we each enter into Christ the King Church. A petition box will be placed at his feet and any parishioners intentions or prayer request you have can be placed in the box. These intentions will then be remembered in our bidding prayers at mass. Also a sanctuary lamp can be lit alongside St Joseph as we seek his intercession and prayers. The lamp can be lit for a person, living or deceased, or for any parishioners special intentions you have. This will be noted in our weekly parish newsletter. If you would like to have the St Joseph candle lit at any point over this next year please contact the parish office for details.

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Covid19 Restrictions are still in place, please remember:

- ***Strictly no gathering in the church porch or on church property for conversations.***
- ***Please continue to wear your face covering until you leave the area where other people are.***

Whilst we will attempt to take appropriate precautions consistent with the advice of public health authorities, parishioners should understand that they assume the risk of contracting COVID-19 any time they enter a public space since such precautions do not eliminate the risk of infection.

Thank you from Missionaries of Charity Seel Street

Dear Fr .Colin & parishioners, we are sorry to send you this acknowledgement of your donation so late. We want to thank you for your very generous gift to Jesus in His poor. We and the poor who come to us are very grateful for your kindness. We hope and pray you are all well. Please keep us and the poor in your prayers.

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Good Friday Holy Land Collection

Just a reminder that the collection on Good Friday is traditionally held for the Holy Land and, while we are all facing continued financial pressures due to the pandemic, I would encourage you where possible to hold this collection *pro Terra Sancta* on Good Friday.

This collection was born from the desire of the Popes to maintain a strong link between all the faithful and the Holy Places. It is the main source of material support for Christian life in the Holy Land and is a way that the faithful across the world can express solidarity with the ecclesial communities of the Middle East. Through these funds, the Franciscan Custody of the Holy Land is able to carry out the important mission to which it is called: preserving the Sacred Places, the stones of memory, and promoting the Christian presence, the living stones, through many pastoral, educational, welfare, health and social structures. As a rule, the Custody of the Holy Land receives 65% of the collection, while the remaining 35% goes to the Congregation for the Eastern Churches, which uses it for the formation of candidates for the priesthood, the support of the clergy, educational activities, cultural formation and subsidies to the various ecclesiastical circumscriptions in the Middle East. This is a difficult time financially for everyone, including those who live and work in the Holy Land. May this year's collection *pro Terra Sancta* be an opportunity not to ignore the difficult situation of our brothers and sisters of the Holy Places but rather to lighten burdens.

With every good wish,
+Malcolm

Leaflets detailing all Holy Week and Easter Week Services for the Parish are available in the Church Porch.

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Readers and Eucharistic Ministers for the Easter Triduum Rotas are now available at the back of Church.

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Pray + Fast + Give

SICK AND HOUSEBOUND

Please remember in your prayers the sick, housebound and all in our hospitals and homes.

Baby Bethan Cooper, Mrs Sue Williams, Matthew Goodwin, Michael Fardey, Josephine Smith, Mrs Clare Battiste, Patricia Prentice, Julian James, Keith Nieman, Dorothy Harris, Pauline Roberts.

If you know of any Parishioner who would like to be remembered in the prayers of the Parish please pass the details into the Parish Office.

Lately Dead: Dorothy Harris and Sammy Lee. We offer our prayers and sympathy to their family and friends. May they rest in peace.

Anniversaries: Gerald Meehan, Josephine Johnson, Kathleen Coyle, Norah Brumant, Mary Quirk

We pray for all those whose anniversaries occur around this time.

Due to practicalities, anniversaries will be noted in the newsletter for up to 5 years after death. Thereafter they will be remembered in the priest's private prayer.

Weekly Collection:

Many thanks, your contributions are very much appreciated. You can now also donate on-line via the Parish website: www.ckandol.org If you would like to donate via Standing Order, please contact the Parish Office for a form.

The Sanctuary Lamp burns this week for:
Sister Regina O'Gorman

The Marian Lamps burns this week for:
Josephine Smith

The St Paschal Baylon Lamp burns for:
Andrew Preston – Birthday remembrance

The St. Joseph Lamp burns this week for:
Thanksgiving to our Parish Stewards



A Heartfelt Thank You

Fr Colin's 50th Birthday

I just want to express a huge word of thanks for all your good wishes, cards and gifts I received last week as I celebrated my 50th Birthday. Your kindness and generosity was truly overwhelming. I was touched by the many messages you wrote expressing so many kind words. Your support, prayers, friendship and encouragement means so much and is a real source of strength to me. It truly is a privilege to be your Parish Priest here at Christ the King and Our Lady. Once again from my heart,
Thank you.

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Rev Deacon Tony Downes

It is with sadness that last weekend we bid farewell to Deacon Tony as he moves on to pastures new. Tony who assisted Fr Colin at the 11am mass each Sunday, has recently moved house. He now lives in Fr Grant's parish in Lydiate and so will be helping at his parishes from Palm Sunday onwards. We thank Tony for the service he has given to CtK since his ordination and wish him well for the future. He takes with him our prayers and best wishes. Hopefully it won't be too long before he is able to pop back to see us and say hello.

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Exposition and Holy Hour Monday and Tuesday of Holy Week

6.00pm - 7.00pm

Each moment you spend with Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament brings joy, pleasure, and delight to his Sacred Heart!

"My joy, my pleasure, my delight is to be with you." (Prov 8:31)

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Easter Flowers

As Easter approaches we turn our thoughts to the decoration of the church to mark this great feast of new life in a fitting manner. If you would like your loved ones remembered in our Easter List masses, please list the names of your loved ones to be remembered on an Easter Flowers slip and place it in the printed envelopes at the back of church.

Message from Archbishop Malcolm Chrism Mass 2021

I would like to inform you that I have decided to celebrate the Chrism Mass on **Wednesday of Holy Week, the 31st March at 6.00pm** at the Cathedral. Unfortunately, due to ongoing restrictions and in order to ensure the safety of all those involved, I have decided to limit the number of concelebrating priests to deans and hospital chaplains only. This also means that clergy will not be able to sit in choir.

The Mass will be live streamed from the Cathedral so I do hope you will be able to join in from home. Any parishioners who wish to be present—and who can do so without infringing current Covid regulations— should be asked to register their attendance with Claire Hanlon using the same contact details (c.hanlon@metcathedral.org.uk) or 0151 709 9222).

Unfortunately, at this time, the cathedral will not be able to accommodate everyone who may want to attend, and therefore once the capacity is reached it will not be possible to take any further bookings, and parishioners will be directed to the appropriate social media platforms and the livestream. Registration will be on a first-come-first served basis. Please note in addition that, due to essential repair work, the Cathedral car park will have a limited capacity.

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Grand Easter Draw

Winning ticket no's 2, 6, 105, 171, 235, 267, 305, 320, 389, 411, 413, 427, 430, 444, 489, 508. Congratulations to the winners.

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FOODBANK

Any donations for the Foodbank would be very gratefully received.

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CHILDREN'S EASTER GARDEN

In the Porch there are some cut-out flower shapes. We are hoping that the children could help us decorate our Easter Garden by taking one home to colour it in, and bringing it back for us to display. Please help yourself to one from the box, but remember to return it to us by Good Friday. Thank you and happy colouring!