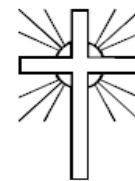


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OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST KING OF THE UNIVERSE 2021

Sunday 21st November 2021

Today we celebrate the last Sunday of the liturgical year, the Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe.

"I am the Alpha and the Omega," says the Lord God, "the one who is, and who was, and who is to come, the Almighty." Apocalypse 1:8

Advent Sung Vespers

During Advent we will be having sung 'vespers' – the evening prayer of the church - at All Saints Church each Sunday evening at 5pm. This is a beautiful and peaceful service offering a focus to our preparations for Christmas.

The first sung vespers service is next Sunday, 28th November.

REMEMBERING OUR LOVED ONES:

On the First Sunday of Advent, 28th November, the names of all who have died from either parish since November 2019 will be read out during **Vespers, 5pm at All Saints Church.**

Please let Father Martin (or Christine, Margaret or Maddy) know of any names that need to be added to those taken from the Register of Deaths of each parish.

May each one rest in peace. God bless and bring comfort to those who mourn their loss.

Parish News:

We have managed to get a stall at the **Old Glossop Christmas Market** on Sunday 5th December selling Irish coffee. Would anyone be available to help set up and clear away afterwards the tables, gazebo, lights etc please? This will be at approximately 11.00am and 4.30pm. Help on the stall would also be greatly appreciated. Please contact Andrea Strogen SMC or Margaret Maloney ASC. If anyone would like to donate a bottle of whiskey or Baileys Irish cream that would also be appreciated.

Due to Covid-19 restrictions we will not be having the Christmas Fayre this year. If anyone would like to make a donation to church funds in lieu - thank you, this can be given to Father Martin.

CAFOD World Gifts: The True Spirit of Christmas Giving

Give an inspired gift this Christmas and help our sisters and brothers who have so little. Gifts include a family 'keep clean kit' for £6, a 'vegetable garden kit' for £5, an 'emergency water kit' for £5. There are many gifts offering ways to help those in need.

Thoughts from today's Gospel Reading: Jn 18:33b-37

This Sunday is the last Sunday of the Church's liturgical year, when we celebrate the Solemnity of Christ the King. Each year we set aside this Sunday to reflect upon this title that we have given to Jesus.

In John's Gospel, Pilate is shown in a more favourable light than in the other Gospels. Today we hear one of two dialogues between Jesus and Pilate that are reported in John's Gospel. Pilate questions Jesus about the charges brought against him. Caiaphas and the high priests have charged Jesus with a political crime, one that would require a punishment of death.

Pilate distances himself from the Jewish leaders who accuse Jesus; he is not a Jew, and seems to want little to do with this Jewish affair.

In his responses to Pilate's questions, Jesus distinguishes his kingdom from the political powers of this world. King and kingdom may be appropriate terms for Jesus' mission and promise, but only by analogy.

Jesus is king, but not the kind of king we imagine or expect. He was certainly not the kind of king Pilate feared he might be.

Jesus refers to a kingdom that does not belong to this world. This has been mentioned earlier in John's Gospel. Recall that in his prayer during the Last Supper discourse, Jesus prayed for his disciples who are in the world but do not belong to the world. Yet like Jesus, they are sent into the world for the world's salvation. Today, we see Jesus identify the final proof that his kingdom is not of this world: if his kingdom were of this world, then there would be people fighting to save him. Again we hear echoes of John's theme—salvation is worked out through a cosmic battle.

It is helpful to return to the first chapter of John's Gospel to understand the context for Jesus' words to Pilate. Jesus came into the world, but the world did not know him. In John's language, the world prefers the darkness, and yet the light will not be overcome by the darkness.

Truth has been another important theme in John's Gospel. We see it emphasized in the conclusion of the dialogue between Jesus and Pilate. Those who know the truth will recognize Jesus as king and will know how to interpret this insight. Yet Jesus' kingship was hidden from many of his contemporaries. Only those chosen, those who have the eyes of faith, are able to see. As modern disciples of Jesus, we also struggle at times to recognize Jesus as king. Today's Gospel invites us to see with eyes of faith that we might recognize that Jesus, through his crucifixion and death, is indeed king and Saviour of all.

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The Week Ahead (ASC = All Saints Church, SMH = St Mary's Hall, SMC = St Mary's Church)	
Parish Mass Book: This weekend's Readings: p.160, Gloria p. 9, Creed p.12	
Saturday 20th 6.00pm,	Feria ASC Holy Mass (Vigil Mass) (The People of the Parishes)
Sunday 21st 9.15am, 11.15am, 3.30-5.00pm,	Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe SMC Holy Mass (The welfare of Eileen Robinson (SC & KP)) ASC Holy Mass (Anthony & Howard Mellor & Kevin Fallon RIP (S.M-F)) SMH Synod 2023 Second Meeting
Monday 22nd 10.00am,	St Cecilia, Virgin & Martyr ASC Holy Mass (The Ellison Family (Foundation Mass))
Tuesday 23rd	St Clement 1, Pope & Martyr <i>Fr Martin will offer Holy Mass today for the Holy Souls</i>
Wed'sday 24th 11.45am,	St Andrew Dung-Lac, Priest, and Companions, Martyrs St Charles Borromeo, Hadfield, SK13 1PQ – Funeral Mass of Mary Perry RIP <i>Please pray for today's Pastoral Council Meeting</i>
Thursday 25th 10.00am,	St Catherine of Alexandria, Virgin & Martyr SMC Holy Mass (The welfare of Patricia Boulton (RH))
Friday 26th 10.00am, 7.00-8.00pm,	Feria SMC Holy Mass (Vernon Johnson – 80 th Birthday Blessing (CJ)) SMH Prayer Group
Saturday 27th 10.00-10.30am, 12.00-12.30pm, 6.00pm,	Feria SMC Confessions, <i>Please come dressed for the weather as you may need to wait outside</i> ASC Confessions, <i>Please come dressed for the weather as you may need to wait outside</i> ASC Holy Mass (Vigil Mass) (Gerald James Riley RIP – 12 th Anniversary (JR))
Sunday 28th 9.15am, 11.15am, 5.00pm,	First Sunday of Advent SMC Holy Mass (Kath & Frank Turton RIP (CH)) ASC Holy Mass (The People of the Parishes) ASC Sung Vespers (Evening Prayer of the Church)
<u>Forthcoming Events in the Parishes:</u> <u>GLOSSOP ROSARY:</u> We are continuing the Rosary on Monday 22 nd November with the Glorious Mysteries. Theresa Alessandro is coming to give a talk about the work of Pact in St Mary's Parish Hall on Wednesday 1 st December, 11am-1.30pm. Pact is a national charity that supports prisoners and their families to make a fresh start. Refreshments provided. Please feel free to bring a sandwich if you're attending in your lunch break. All are welcome. "I was in prison and you came to visit me", Mt 25:36 <u>HELPING HANDS:</u> During the pandemic, 'Helping Hands' has responded to requests for help with shopping and prescription collection as well as other requests. Drivers and shoppers are available to help those who are unable to leave the house. CONTACT: Wynne or Rob. <u>All Saints Draw:</u> The winner of the October draw for £100 was Mrs B Craven, number 6. <u>Very Easy Dementia Friendly walks:</u> Easy walk to enable those living with dementia and carers supporting loved ones to enjoy meeting up, being outdoors and sharing experiences. Walks led by trained Walk Leaders who have a good understanding of dementia. Dates and locations: 3 rd Dec Arnfield. Meeting Place: Arnfield Fisheries Café, Tintwistle, SK13 1HP: 17 th Dec Manor Park. Meeting Place: Outside Shepley Street Café.	