

HEMEL CATHOLIC PARISHES

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Our Lady Queen of All Creation + St Mark

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CHRIST THE KING

24th/25th November 2018



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Wednesday 12 noon. Items to:

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We find ourselves at the end of the liturgical year and we have the wonderful Feast of Christ the King to celebrate. There aren't too many of us that have ever met royalty, but being in Britain we know a thing or two about royalty and sovereignty.

Kings and Queens have sovereignty over their kingdoms, and those who are their subjects offer them allegiance and honour, and we live in a country where our Queen is honoured and respected all over the world by so many people. You only have to look at the media hype when a member of the royal family is traveling around the world.

Today we celebrate the feast of Christ the King, as we recall and contemplate the far-reaching implications of this in our lives. His kingship extends to all places, all people, and all times. And his kingship is manifested through his passion on the Cross, as he offers his salvation to all people.

There are many things in our world that demand allegiance, that demand our honour. Today's feast reminds us of the great truth that Christ must be in charge of our lives that we must give him sovereign power over our bodies, our thoughts, our heart and our will. In every moral decision we face there is a choice to follow or reject the teachings of Christ the King. The one who seeks to live in Christ's Kingdom is the one who says. *"Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven."*

This feast gives us a moment, in our busy lives, to reflect on the kingship of Jesus in our hearts. Are we trying to live as ambassadors of Jesus, serving him in all those that we meet? Do our lives at home, and the way in which we deal with friends, come under the kingship of Jesus? Where do we place our allegiance?

We show allegiance and honour to Christ our King when we listen to him, love him, serve him and follow him. We are about to enter a really busy period of the year, and it is always worth taking a moment to remind ourselves just who our King is, and what it means to live in His Kingdom.

Fr Kim

Confirmation Application Deadline is **Friday 30th November**. If you are in Year 9 or above and would like to be confirmed, please don't forget to apply. See inside for details!

<https://hemelcatholic.typeform.com/to/Kwda2H>

Cross Parish Notices

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturday 10.30 – 11am (*Our Lady's*)
Saturday 11am – 11.30am (*Boxmoor*)

ADORATION & BENEDICTION

Saturday 10.30-11am (*Our Lady's*)

First Friday after 10am Mass at BM & from 2.30pm at OLQ. Exposition at Grovehill after 10am Mass on Thursday.

Going into Hospital? If you are going into Hospital do ask to see a Catholic Chaplain. Please call the Chaplaincy office on 01923 217994 for Watford and St Albans.

Getting Married in Church?

Please be aware that you must give at least 6 months' notice if you want to get married in a Catholic Church. This is because there is often a lot of paperwork to get done and couples have to attend a pre-marriage course. Don't set a date until you have spoken with a priest.

Forthcoming Funeral

Michael Morrisey RIP: Friday 30th November 10am at Grovehill.

May he rest in peace and rise in glory

Baptism Preparation

Parents who wish to have their children baptised are required to attend our baptism course. At least one parent must be a practising Catholic and be known to the priests.

Our pre-Baptism seminars take place every 3 months and the next one will be on **Saturday 8th December** at St Mark's Church. Dates are set at the seminar. Parents are asked to speak to the clergy and read the new baptism information sheet, found in the porch.

4th Boxmoor Scout Group is open to new members from all four parishes: Please call Pete West on 07949 936 994 or email peteandsue8@virginmedia.com.

We invite our teenagers who wish to be confirmed next year, to apply online to join the preparation course. Those in year 9 or above can apply and they must do this by Friday 30th November, when we will close the applications. As ever, the candidates for Confirmation must be baptised, have made their 1st Communion and really want to receive this sacrament which will help them in their discipleship of Christ. Parents should not force their children to get confirmed at this age...they may feel more ready later on in life to make this commitment. Candidates will be expected to attend Mass every weekend if they don't already do so and participate fully in the programme. To apply go to <https://hemelcatholic.typeform.com/to/Kwda2H>.

Parents who are applying for reception places at St Albert's, St Roses and Year 3 at St Cuthbert Mayne will need a certificate of Catholic practice from their parish priest. We can only give these out to parents who come to Mass. Certificates will be offered at the end of Mass over the next few weeks.

Churches Together Prayer intention for the week:
Street Pastors.

St Roses: The admissions process for children starting in Reception September 2019 opened on Monday 5th November. You are invited to visit St Roses on Friday 30th November at 9.15am. Please contact the school office to reserve your place.

Pray Hemel will be meeting on Saturday 1st December at Cornergate Foundation, c/o Cedar House, Featherbed Lane, HP3 9JD. Breakfast at 8am. Prayer from 8.30am - 9.30am. All are welcome.

The Bereavement Support Group will be meeting on Thursday 6th December, 1.30pm until 3pm in St Joseph's Hall, Boxmoor.

St Catherine of Siena Primary School will be holding their annual Christmas Craft Fayre on Thursday 20th December, between 8am and 4pm. The Christmas Craft Fayre will be taking place in the school hall on Horseshoe Lane, Watford, WD25 7HP.

St Albert the Great Primary School is going to consultation on the admission arrangements for 2020 - 2021. For more information, please see the school website for a copy of the School Admission Policy, Supplementary Information Form and the Admission Consultation letter.

St Cuthbert Mayne Junior School is consulting on the proposed admissions arrangements for the school year 2020/21 and is seeking responses from parents/carers, schools and community groups. The proposed changes are: to give priority to children previously looked after by the state abroad and subsequently adopted. The proposed admission can be found at www.hertfordshire.gov.uk/admissions2019. Please send your comments regarding the proposals to the school direct at admin@cuthbertmayne.herts.sch.uk

St Roses are consulting on their school admissions policy for 2020/21. You are invited to review the proposed admissions arrangements at the following link: www.hertfordshire.gov.uk/admissions2019. The changes on the policy to which we are asking for are: criteria 2 which has changed and criteria 9 which has been added. Please contact the Chair of Admissions c/o the school office, or by email to admin@stroses.herts.sch.uk by the consultation deadline 6th January 2019.

JFK are seeking to appoint a Cover Supervisor and a Duty Officer for weekends. Please see their website for more details www.jfk.herts.sch.uk.

Margaret Griffiths will be taking part in the DENS Sleep out on 7th December. If you would like to sponsor her go to www.justgiving.com/Margaret-Griffiths4.

Lourdes 2019: We would like to take a group to Lourdes next year at the same time as the Diocesan pilgrimage. At this stage we need to know how many people would be interested in going. The dates are 21st-26th July. 4 star hotel full board and flights from Luton. £595 per person sharing. Please let Fr Paul know of your interest.

Four Parish Party 2019: After the success of this year's party we are hoping to run it again next year. Without a team of amazing volunteers this won't be possible. We are looking for 2 people from each Mass to dedicate 5 minutes of your time after Mass throughout September 2019 to sell tickets. We are also looking for 2 volunteers from St Alberts, St Roses and St Cuthbert Mayne. I can't stress enough how imperative this team is to the party going ahead for next year. If this sounds like something you can do please call Haylea Gavin on [07964871765](tel:07964871765) or email haylea02@hotmail.com.

Rotary Santa Sleigh: We will be touring the streets of Boxmoor with Santa and his sleigh, between 5.45pm and 8.30pm in partnership with parishioners from St John's. If you can help please contact Lynn Bassett on 07803 986716 or email Lynnbassett@gmail.com.

Church of the Resurrection Henry Wells Square, Grovehill, HP2 6BJ

Welcome to Highfield and Grovehill Parish Community. If you are new to the parish you are invited to complete a 'New to the Parish', form, which you will find at the back of the church.

For Parish Room or Church bookings contact Pedro on 07917 813 476 or entapryz@hotmail.com.

We pray for the Deceased: Elsie Simpson, Jean Walpole, Walter Benn, John Finn, Terence McPherson, Elizabeth Duckett, Sebastian Fernandez, Bernard McConnell, Michael Morrissey & Gerry Mason

We pray for the Sick: Pat Finn, Ita Murray, Lorraine Shardlow, Kathleen Griffin & Lilian Behrendt

Nicky Mansfield will be sleeping out for DENS on 7th December. Please sponsor her at Mass or you can donate on her JustGiving page. Please ask her for more details.

Ss Mary & Joseph St Johns Road, Boxmoor, HP1 1NR

Welcome to Ss Mary & Joseph's Parish Community. If you are new to the Parish you are invited to complete a 'New Parish Records Form', which you will find on the table at the back of the church.

Parish Centre Bookings or Enquires: If you are interested in using the Parish Centre for an event, party or meeting, please telephone 07533 965 372 or email hallbookings@smj.hemelcatholic.org.

Caretaker: Mick Prindiville. Contact on 07926 141800.

We pray for the Deceased: Mary Light & William & Bella Hegarty

We pray for the Sick: David DeBono, Lucinda, Ted Turvey, Peter & Elizabeth Renwick, Robert Frampton, Len Cash, Mary Langton & Joanne Pascale

2nd Collection for the Building Fund: Our normal weekly collection enables us to continue to pay off the Diocesan loan for building of the Presbytery. We have made monthly payments of £3500 since September 2011. The loan now stands at £66,000 at 31st October and our aim is to make the final payment by May 2020. **In addition**, we have to fund the regular and one off costs of maintaining/improving our buildings. The fund paid for the recent changes to the Sanctuary which will be completed before Christmas. The numerous individual fundraising events like the Christmas Fair and the two Special 2nd Collections each year need your continuing support and generosity to ensure we have a fitting place of worship and community. Envelopes are available at the back of the church and can be returned over the next two weeks. If you are a UK taxpayer donations can be GiftAided. **Please be as generous as your circumstances allow.**

Ss Mary & Joseph Christmas Fair Sunday 25th November, 9.30am until 2.30pm in the Parish Centre, Boxmoor. There will be a tombola raffle, craft stalls, stocking fillers, Advent calendars and Christmas cards. There will also be soup and roll, tea/coffee and cakes. Donations of bottles, good quality gifts and handmade crafts very welcome.

CAFOD World Gifts Catalogue: Stuck for a Christmas present for a friend or family member who might appreciate a gift that helps poor communities to access basic health care, clean water and education? Please think of World Gifts. CAFOD provides a gift certificate detailing the gift given on your behalf. Catalogues can be found at the back of Church.

Catholic Women's League Boxmoor: We are holding a raffle for a special unique handmade quilt. Tickets will be on sale after all Masses this weekend. Tickets will be available at the Parish Christmas Fayre. The Draw will also take place at the Christmas Fayre.

Catholic Women's League, Boxmoor: Our next Soup Special will be held on Thursday 29th November, 12.30pm until 2pm in the Parish Centre, Boxmoor. Soup and Roll £2. Cake and tea/coffee £1.50. All are welcome.

Our Lady Queen of All Creation

Rant Meadow, HP3 8PG

Welcome to Our Lady's Church & Parish Community.

If you are new to the parish you are invited to complete a 'New to the Parish' form, which you will find at the back of the church.

If you are interested in booking the Parish hall contact Shirley Bailey at hallbookings@olq.hemelcatholic.org or call 07519 837 130. **Caretaker:** Mick Prindiville. Contact on 07926 141 800.

Prayer lists: Please fill out the form in the church foyer. Names will remain on the list for four weeks unless otherwise requested.

We pray for the Sick: Jack Barrett, Nora Watson, Nick Mayes, Kitty Hampton, Jagin Rogtiley, Ann Langley, Matthew Hay, Suzy Monvoisin, Bernard Cronin and Family, Simon de Winter, Ed Riley, Peter Lynch, Doreen Lynch, Stacey Berryman, Terence Penn & Vilma Fernandez

Catholic Women's League, Adeyfield: We will be selling tickets for the Christmas raffle after all Masses this weekend. Please support our charities and maybe win a hamper!

Film Tubes: If you still have a film tube at home, please return it to the offertory basket to enable us to use it again next year.

St Mark

Hollybush Lane, Warners End, HP1 2PH

Welcome to St. Mark's Church and Parish community. If you are new to the parish you are invited to complete a 'New to the Parish' form, which you will find at the back of the church and place it in the "New to Parish" folder in the porch.

Please pray for the Sick: Joe Smyth, John O'Sullivan, Antonia la Fuente, Vera Collimore, Sally Howes & Lily Dalimore, Mick Reeve.

Please pray for the Departed: Walter Burley, Jean Smith, Pat Briggs, Bridget Gavin, Kevin Finnegan, Albert Cornish, Lynn Pinchin, Theresa Green, Walter Prince, Claude Mezieres and Henry Massey.

Christmas Raffle: This will take place on Sunday 23rd December. Tickets will be available over the next few weeks. Take an envelope home and purchase the tickets you want and return the money and stubs with your contact details on. Also please nominate a Local charity that you would like the funds to go to. Tickets are £1 a strip. There is £5 worth of tickets in each envelope. There is no obligation to buy all of the tickets. Any donations for raffle prizes will be most welcome.

DENS Christmas cards will be on sale over the next few weeks, priced at £3.50 per pack of 10.

Hemel Ordinariate Mission

Pastor: Fr Simon Chinery

Email: simon.chinery@ordinariate.org.uk or call 387 195.

Welcome. We are based at St Mark's; meeting on Sundays at 8.45am and Wednesdays at 7.45pm for Mass. Morning Prayer is celebrated on Sundays at 8.15am.

All are welcome at our services

Mass Times and Intentions this week

(GH) Grovehill, (BM) Ss Mary & Joseph Boxmoor, (SM) St Mark, (OLQ) Our Lady's, (ORD) Ordinariate	
Sat 24 th	5pm (OLQ) Holy Souls 6pm (BM) Mary Light RIP
Sun 25 th	8.45am (SM/Ordinariate) 8.45am (BM) Holy Souls RIP 9am (GH) Noel Gastardo Thanksgiving 10.15am (SM) Albert Cornish RIP 10.30am (OLQ) Dale Langham RIP 11.45am (BM) William & Bella Hegarty RIP ANNIV 12 Noon (OLQ) Miriam & John Croucher & Family INT
Mon 26 th	10am (OLQ) Jack Barrett INT
Tues 27 th	10am (OLQ) Holy Souls
Wed 28 th	10am (BM) 7.45pm (SM/Ordinariate)
Thurs 29 th	10am (GH) Gerry Mason RIP
Fri 30 th	10am (BM) Holy Souls 10am (GH) Requiem Mass for Michael Morrisey RIP 6.30pm (OLQ) Holy Souls
Sat 1 st	10am (OLQ) Fr Raymond Legge RIP 5pm (OLQ) Ann Gallagher RIP 6pm (BM) Sheila Watts RIP
Sun 2 nd	8.45am (SM/Ordinariate) 8.45am (BM) Siobhan Gibbons RIP Birthday 9am (GH) Breda & Christina Kelly 10.15am (SM) Barry Albert RIP 10.30am (OLQ) Dale Langham RIP 11.45 (BM) Martin Byrnes RIP Birthday 12 Noon (OLQ) Moira Hanniffy RIP