



## Parish of Holy Trinity, Worsley

Served by the churches of Christ the King, St Edmund and Our Lady and the Lancashire Martyrs

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### 28 November 2021 – First Sunday of Advent

#### Greetings

**Synod:** Pope Francis has called a Universal Synod which is taking place in every Catholic diocese across the world. The Synod is themed: "For a Synodal Church: Communion, Participation, and Mission". This is a vital opportunity for the Church to re-discover its missionary vocation – its proclamation of the Good News for all the people of God. We want to hear from as many people as possible, those involved in the church and those who are not. There will be more on this in tomorrow's email, but we hope to begin our own share in the synodal journey sometime in the new year. We might think, initially, of how to get the news of this first part of the process to those who are Catholics but not currently coming to church

**Christmas:** As we can see from the news, Covid is not going away and still poses a threat and so our programme of Masses over Christmas is still uncertain. As soon as we can, the timetable will be published but even then .... Advent has begun and as our children remind us, it has little to do with parties and presents but, as part of our preparations for the great Feast, it is customary across the three churches to have a collection of children's presents for distribution by Caritas and local charities. Gifts should be unwrapped or, if wrapped, to indicate whether it is for a boy or girl and approximately what age it is intended for

#### Sacramental Programme

Our Pizza Evening for those who were confirmed earlier this year was a great success. Ten young people came and committed themselves to meeting again with the possibility of building an Impact group (part of the YCW family)

We will be continuing with our programme of preparing our children and young people for the Sacraments of Reconciliation, Holy Communion and Confirmation. On Thursday evening, those children who are attending other schools are invited to begin their preparation by coming to Christ the King church

**Repository Stalls:** The repositories at the rear of Christ the King Church and St Edmund's are now open and re-stocked. Christmas cards, Nativity sets and gifts etc are available. If anyone is not at present going to Church and wants anything, please phone:-Julie Bloomer on 0161 790 8180 or mobile 07547388075 who will be happy to deliver. Thank you

#### Weekend Mass

For those who need to attend Mass on screen, there are many livestream options at 11.00am, particularly at Salford Cathedral. <https://www.dioceseofsalford.org.uk/watch-the-salford-cathedral-livestream> However, we still need to use the hand sanitiser and masks. Please remain seated during Mass for the time being. If you know anyone who needs particular support during these difficult times please inform Fr John or a member of the SVP or the Safeguarding team

**Outreach:** The Food Bank donations can be left at church or in the blue box at the back of the presbytery at CTK

#### This week

We are continuing to look at the need for booking in for Mass but for now please remember to book on for Sunday Mass in church by contacting Maureen Hawes: her email is [MaureenHawes@live.co.uk](mailto:MaureenHawes@live.co.uk)

#### Saturday: (today)

12.30pm Mass at Our Lady and Lancashire Martyrs

5.00pm Mass at Christ the King

#### Sunday:

9.00am Mass at Christ the King 11.00am Mass at St Edmund's

**Monday:** No Mass

**Tuesday:** 9.30am Mass at Lancashire Martyrs

**Wednesday:** 9.30am Mass at St Edmund's

**Thursday:** 9.30am Mass at Christ the King with Years 5&6

6.30pm First Communion class at CTK church for those children not attending a Catholic school

**Friday:** 6.00pm Mass on Zoom

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12.30pm Mass at Our Lady and Lancashire Martyrs

5.00pm Mass at Christ the King

#### Sunday:

9.00am Mass at Christ the King; 11.00am Mass at St Edmund's

#### Prayers please

For those who are sick: Frank, Elaine, Jean, Adela, Angie, James, Simon, Lyn, Nieve, Audrey, Sylvia and Anne Margaret, Joan, Margaret, Jim, Michael, Tony, Eric, Michael and all whose anniversaries are at this time. In prayer, we remember all those on the 'frontline' in any kind of way. We think especially of our doctors, nurses and carers, and those who must care for people who are vulnerable in any kind of way. We must continue to remember our school staffs and pupils

**Masses received:** Freda Jones, Emily Louise Jones, Lol Carney, Margaret Carney, Margaret Dargan, Jean Clowes, Jim Johnson, Michael Anthony Seward, Graham Winnard, Tony Barrett, Barrett family, Vera Buffey, Eric Scott, Michael Connelly, Deceased family and friends, Stephen McArdle