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20th NOVEMBER 2022

OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, King of the Universe

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Fr Daniel writes:

World Youth Sunday

The challenge as we grow up is how to find our place in the world, working out where we fit in. This is even harder for those of us who want to be faithful Catholics, as the values championed by society are no longer the same as ours. Young Catholics can have a particularly tough time of it as they find themselves caught between what can feel like two extremes, the will of God and the pressures of the secular world.

At times Christ's kingship can feel so far removed from our world that it seems far easier to discard it and say 'sorry, the way of Jesus has no place in the modern world'. Nothing could be further from the truth! Unlike the kings and rulers of this world, our God has truly become like us, he has suffered like we do, even died! He went through all this out of love for us, to rescue us from our own sinfulness, to show us the truth about our God: that he loves us and has given everything to open up a path for us to eternal life.

This is an extraordinary truth and one that can take some time to digest. Many of my secular friends when they heard I was training to be a priest would say "*such a waste*" or "*are you mad!?*" My friends who did understand were often the ones who had married out of love, they knew what it meant to love someone so much that you would do what others consider crazy to be with them. Christ our King gave his all, out of love for us. The question for each of us is how do we respond to this love?

Pope Francis last year urged young Catholics to not to be afraid to give their lives to God, to the service of others, because "*life is a gift that you receive by giving yourself, and because the greatest joy is to say, unconditionally, yes to love, - as Jesus did for us.*" Now more than ever the world needs to be reminded of the love and mercy of Christ the King, and it is up to us to bring this wonderful truth alive in our world. We can do this by following our King's example, going against the grain, and daring to stand up for what we believe. The future is ours, and if we wish to make it a hopeful, generous and charitable future, then we need to follow the example of Christ the King, and do what we do, not for money, power, or status, but out of love for the other.

OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, King of the Universe

Sat 19/11 6.30pm 6.30pm	Vigil Mass Grove Park	Lyn & Peter Dennis Paul Sfeir & Deceased Family	ANN RIP
Sun 20/11 8.30am 9.45am 10.00am 11.00am 12.15pm 3.00pm 6.30pm	OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST Gunnersbury	Holy Souls Garvan McFadden Cleta & Timothy Andradi John D'Souza John Brosnan Blessing of Graves, Gunnersbury Cemetery Margaret Boyle	RIP RIP RIP RIP ANN 55 th ANN
Mon 21/11 10.00am	Presentation of The BVM	Holy Souls	RIP
Tue 22/11 10.00am	St. Cecilia	Holy Souls	RIP
Wed 23/11 10.00am 6.00pm	Feria (Comboni Convent)	Holy Souls John Muldoon	RIP 1 ST ANN
Thur 24/11 10.00am	St. Andrew Dung-Lac	Holy Souls	RIP
Fri 25/11 10.00am 12.00 Noon 6.00pm	Feria Gunnersbury (PIME Convent)	Holy Souls Funeral of Bernard Keigher Kathleen Keane	RIP RIP RD
Sat 26/11 10.00am 11-11.45am 12.15pm 5-5.45pm 6.00pm 6.30pm 6.30pm	Feria Grove Park	Holy Souls Confession Baptism Confession Benediction Maria & Patsy Sweeney Habouss Baroud & Deceased Family	RIP ANN RIP

LET US PRAY

For those who are sick: Sandra Bocca, Cecil Pocock, Romeo Monthly, Mary Garrett, Fr. Eammon Conarty, Celine Duignon, Andy Cronin, Hugh Caldin, Elizabeth Fagundez, Alex Tuffy, Isabelle Ranle, Eileen McGuinness, Albie Korinek, Greta Gribben, John Monks, Jim Ryan, P.C.Wrynne, Ted O'Connor, Cecilia Walsgrove, Marion Sutton, Iris Faulkner, Mike O'Farrelly, Elizabeth Mulhall, Pascale Murphy, Claudio Bogi, Gloria Weymouth, Theresa Southern, Constance Redmond, Joss Kellond and those suffering.

For those recently deceased: Bernard Keigher, Gine Bridgeman, Roberto Gonito. May they Rest in Peace.

For those whose anniversaries are at this time: Lynn & Peter Dennis, John Brosnan, Margaret Boyle, Maria & Patsy Sweeney, John Michael Cahill, John Muldoon, 1st Anniversary. May they RIP.

THIS WEEKEND'S SCRIPTURE READINGS, Mass Book p.167

1st Reading: **2 Samuel 5:1-3**

Psalm: **121:1-5 response cf v2**

2nd Reading: **Colossians 1:12-20**

Gospel: **Luke 22:35-43**

NEXT WEEKEND'S SCRIPTURE READINGS, Mass Book p.82

1st Reading: **Isaiah 2: 1-5**

Psalm: **121: 1-2, 4-5, 6-9**

2nd Reading: **Romans 13: 11-14**

Gospel: **Matthew 24: 37-44**

COMBONI MISSION MAGAZINE & Mission Today calendars available **FREE** at the back of church.

THIS MONTH'S CATHOLIC HERALD – available at the back of church. Please pay £5 into the 'Catholic Papers' box.

NOVEMBER BEING THE MONTH OF THE HOLY SOULS the 'November Dead Lists' are at the back of church for the month in which one parish Mass each day will be offered for the Holy Souls.

NOVEMBER'S BLESSINGS OF THE GRAVES – in Gunnersbury Cemetery today, **20th November at 3.00pm.** (Warm clothing, wind- and waterproof recommended; also portable chairs for the elderly.)

SICK AND RETIRED PRIESTS' FUND COLLECTION – THANK YOU to those who were able to contribute to this collection recently. An additional **£475** was raised by Chiswick and Gunnersbury totalling **£2,806** and an additional **£30** from Grove Park totalling **£113**, bringing the overall **total to £2,919.** Amazing! *Thank you!*

YOUTH CONFIRMATION 2022/23 IS NOW OPEN - Fr Daniel has now published the application process as well as the teaching session dates from January to the Confirmation Masses 17th June 2023. Please go to the parish website and click on 'Sacraments' and then on 'Confirmation' and 'Form submission' for all details: www.ourladyofgracechiswick.org **The closing date for receipt of completed applications is Sunday 18th December.**

ADULT CONFIRMATIONS / THINKING ABOUT CATHOLICISM? If you know anyone considering becoming a Catholic or if a Catholic has missed out on any of the sacraments, the RCIA is the course to follow and which began **last Wednesday.** Details are on the parish website (under 'Sacraments'). **The next session is this Weds 23rd Nov at 7.00pm in the St Edward's Room.** Please contact the Parish Office; chiswick@rcdow.org.uk 020 8994 2877

ADVENT DAY RETREAT at COMBONI CENTRE – On Saturday 26th November from arrivals at 10.00am to departure at 1.00pm after Mass, Fr Louevi Louis of the Comboni Fathers will be leading this reflection for Advent at 2 Chiswick Lane. Please book with the Sisters at combonicentre16@gmail.com or phone 020 8994 1220. See poster at back of church.

SENIOR CITIZENS' CHRISTMAS DINNER - The annual Christmas dinner for our senior parishioners and neighbours will take place in the Parish Centre on Sun 11th Dec. This event is for our parishioners, as well as for other senior citizens who live within our parish boundaries. Anyone who wishes to attend must have a ticket, which can be obtained from the Parish Office. As usual we rely on volunteers to help with the successful running of the day. We need volunteers:

Sunday 11th Dec: 9.00am – 11.00am – setting up
1.00pm – 3.30pm – helping to serve
3.30pm – 5.30pm – helping to serve and tidy up

We also need drivers both before and after the party. This is absolutely essential as many of the guests are unable to travel without transport. Please contact Jackie Knight if you are able to help on 0771 2675020 jmq123@btinternet.com. It would be lovely to have some teenagers/young people also volunteering for the event which is always great fun. Also we like to give each of the guests a small gift, items such as small boxes of sweets, toiletries, or gentlemen's socks are very welcome, and can be handed in at the Parish Office by Fri 9th Dec.

OPEN MORNING at ST MARY'S CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL **Friday 25th November 9.30-10.30am** - St Mary's are holding an "Open Morning" for existing and prospective parents. This is an opportunity for parents to tour the school and observe the learning across the primary phases. A member of our school team will escort you around the building and answer any questions you may have. This opportunity is by request as we only have so much capacity and we must ensure that the learning is not disrupted. Please do not interrupt a lesson or attempt to converse with the teacher or pupils. To book your place please contact us on 020 8994 5606 or office@stmarys.hounslow.sch.uk Thank you and we hope you enjoy your visit. We look forward to meeting on Friday.

YOUNG ADULT SOCIAL in Chiswick. Following the success of these informal gatherings they will now happen weekly until Christmas and thus **THIS EVENING Sunday 20th Nov.** outside church after the 6:30pm Mass for a pub trip. For Catholics aged 18-35. New people welcome! Come and meet!

CENTERING PRAYER (CP) – The group is convening weekly via Zoom at 7.30pm with the next session Tuesday 22nd Nov. Contact: John O'Brien: 07747611616 or john@jobrien.co.uk

PRIMARY SCHOOL APPLICATIONS 2023: To obtain a Certificate of Catholic Practice (CCP), *if your Catholic practice allows for it*, pls contact the Parish Office to request a self-assessment form (preferably sent electronically) and an appointment with Fr Michael.

PUBLIC CONSULTATION on Cycleway 9, Chiswick High Road, Citing documentation sent from the Council: Hounslow Council has launched the construction of phase 3b of Cycleway 9 (C9), between Chiswick Lane and Heathfield Terrace. Construction is outlined for completion in mid December, subject to change depending on material availability and other logistical challenges. On Tuesday 4th October Transport for London (TfL) launched their six month public consultation surrounding the updates to the cycleway. This consultation forms an important part of the Experimental Traffic Order review process, where the feedback received, alongside monitoring data, will be used to inform the future of Cycleway 9 on Chiswick High Road. The consultation will be live until Tuesday 4th April, up until which time individuals are invited to submit as many responses as they see fit. Register your interest in participating in the consultation via the following:
Website: <https://haveyoursay.tfl.gov.uk/cycleway-9>
Email: Haveyoursay@tfl.gov.uk

**ST DUNSTAN'S, GUNNERSBURY
NOVEMBER'S BLESSINGS OF THE GRAVES**

The annual Blessings of the Graves in Gunnersbury Cemetery is at **3.00pm today.**

CATHOLIC CENTRE LOUNGE BAR: DRAUGHT BEER, MORE OPENING DAYS & MORE HOURS! The Catholic Centre Lounge Bar has freshly restored draught beer and is now open on Fridays 12.00 noon to 10.00pm, Saturdays 12.00 noon to 6.00pm and Sundays 12.00 noon to 6.00pm. All welcome, also to bring suggestions for more social events in the Centre. The Catholic Centre, 2 Dukes Avenue, W4 2AE.

WESTMINSTER CATHEDRAL QUIZ and FISH & CHIP SUPPER The *Friends of Westminster Cathedral* organisation is hosting its monthly Quiz and Fish & Chip Supper raising funds for the Cathedral on Weds 23rd Nov at 7.00pm. The evening's Quiz Master is **Fr Mike Maguire** who wonders if parishioners might wish to form a 'Chiswick Table'. Tickets per person are £18 (inclusive of supper). For details email co-ordinator: josephdavidallen@rcdow.org.uk

HOMES FOR UKRAINE MATCHING SERVICE – Caritas Social Action Network have launched a service to bring together Ukrainian people displaced by the brutal war in their country with people in the Catholic community willing to host them in their homes for six months. Once the match is confirmed the Ukrainian guest can apply for their visa. We know that coping with the cost-of-living crisis will be the main concern for many people this winter but if you have room in your home and in your heart to consider welcoming a stranger displaced by war, then we'd love to hear from you. For info please visit: <http://sjog-homesforukraine.uk/>

CATHOLIC UNION EVENT - Monday 28th November 6.30pm (Doors 6pm). **Baroness Sheila Hollins** will deliver the Catholic Union Craigmyle Lecture on "**Keeping Children and Vulnerable Adults Safe – Insights from the Vatican**" at the University of Notre Dame (1 Suffolk St, London SW1Y 4HG). In person and live streamed. Free, all welcome and followed by a Drinks Reception. To register and for livestream link, see [Eventbrite](https://www.eventbrite.com) or register at info@catholicunion.org.uk or 020 8749 1321.

REPOSITORY – On sale now NEWLY STOCKED with Christmas Cards, Advent Calendars and Year Diaries as well as sympathy cards, candles and rosaries etc. The Repository is open after all Sunday morning Masses for cards, gifts and many more items. **Please note**, due to unforeseen circumstances the Repository will **NOT be open on SUNDAY 11th DECEMBER.** Sorry for any inconvenience this might cause.

CATHOLIC TRUTH SOCIETY (CTS) BOOKLETS/LEAFLETS – are on a stand at the back of the church. Prices are marked on each. Please put the money for these purchases in the brown collection box marked 'CTS' at the back of the church.

TEA AND COFFEE MORNINGS – Tuesday morning post-Mass coffee morning at 10.30am in the St Edward's Room each week and a **Friday coffee morning** in the Parish Centre Lounge Bar at 10.30am. All are very welcome!

Collections for last weekend:
OLOG & St Edward's and St Dunstan's Chiswick
13/11/22 - £4,029.41
St Joseph's Grove Park 13/11/22 - £155.56
Thank you for your generosity.