

OUR LORD, JESUS CHRIST, UNIVERSAL KING

FIRST READING (2 Samuel 5:1-3)

A reading from the second book of Samuel

All the tribes of Israel came to David at Hebron. "Look" they said "we are your own flesh and blood. In days past when Saul was our king, it was you who led Israel in all their exploits; and the Lord said to you, 'You are the man who shall be shepherd of my people Israel, you shall be the leader of Israel.'" So all the elders of Israel came to the king at Hebron, and King David made a pact with them at Hebron in the presence of the Lord, and they anointed David King of Israel.

The word of the Lord.

Response: Thanks be to God.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM Psalm 121

**Response: I rejoiced when I heard them say:
"Let us go to God's house."**

1. I rejoiced when I heard them say:
"Let us go to God's house."
And now our feet are standing
within your gates, O Jerusalem. **R/**
2. Jerusalem is built as a city
strongly compact.
It is there that the tribes go up,
the tribes of the Lord. **R/**
3. For Israel's law it is,
there to praise the Lord's name.
There were set the thrones of judgement
of the house of David. **R/**

SECOND READING (Colossians 1: 12-20)

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Colossians

We give thanks to the Father who has made it possible for you to join the saints and with them inherit the light.

Because that is what he has done: he has taken us out of the power of darkness and created a place for us in the kingdom of the Son that he loves, and in him, we gain our freedom, the forgiveness of our sins.

He is the image of the unseen God and the first-born of all creation for in him were created all things in heaven and on earth: everything visible and everything invisible. Thrones, Dominations, Sovereignities, Powers — all things were created through him and for him. Before anything was created, he existed, and he holds all things in unity.

Now the Church is his body, he is its head. As he is the Beginning, he was the first born from the dead, so that he should be first in every way; because God wanted all perfection to be found in him and all things to be reconciled through him and for him, everything in heaven and everything on earth, when he made peace by his death on the cross.

The word of the Lord.

Response: Thanks be to God.

ALLELUIA VERSE

Alleluia, alleluia!
Blessings on him who comes in the name of the Lord! Blessings on the coming kingdom of our father David!
Alleluia!

THE GOSPEL (Luke 23: 35-43)

The Lord be with you.
Response: And with your spirit.
A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke
Response: Glory to you, O Lord.

The people stayed there before the cross watching Jesus. As for the leaders, they jeered at him, "He saved others," they said "Let him save himself if he is the Christ of God, the Chosen One." The soldiers mocked him too, and when they approached to offer him vinegar they said, "If you are the king of the Jews, save yourself." Above him there was an inscription: "This is the King of the Jews."

One of the criminals hanging there abused him. "Are you not the Christ?" he said. "Save yourself and us as well." But the other spoke up and rebuked him. "Have you no fear of God at all?" he said. "You got the same sentence as he did, but in our case we deserved it: we are paying for what we did. But this man has done nothing wrong. "Jesus," he said "remember me when you come into your kingdom." "Indeed, I promise you," he replied "today you will be with me in paradise."

The Gospel of the Lord.

Response: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ



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24TH NOVEMBER 2019

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Sat	23rd	18:15	November Dead List	St Patrick's
Sun	24th	09:00	November Dead List	Our Lady's
	Our Lord Jesus	11:00	November Dead List	St Patrick's
	Christ, King of the	12:30	Baptism	St Patrick's
	Universe	17:00	Mass in Polish	St Patrick's
Mon	25th	Ferial 12:00	Liturgy of the Word and Holy Communion	St Patrick's
Tue	26th	Ferial 11:00	Funeral Mass for Olga Mascarenhas	Our Lady's
Wed	27th	Ferial 12:00	November Dead List	St Patrick's
Thur	28th	Ferial 12:00	November Dead List	Our Lady's
Fri	29th	Ferial 12:00	November Dead List	St Patrick's
Sat	30th	St Andrew, Apostle 13:00	Wedding of Krzysztof Drzymala & Inez Wanat	St Patrick's
Sat	30th	18:15	David Hawkins	St Patrick's
Sun	1st	09:00	Marion Stainer	Our Lady's
	1st Sunday	11:00	Antony Raj Anniversary	St Patrick's
	of Advent	17:00	Mass in Polish	St Patrick's



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Please send items by 5pm on Wednesday

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PRAYER REMEMBRANCES

We remember in prayer all who have died, all who are mourning the death of a loved one, especially **Olga Mascarenhas** and **Mary Moruzzi**, and all those whose anniversaries occur about this time.

MONEY MATTERS

Last Sunday's Offertory Collections:

St Patrick's: £ 995.02

Our Lady's: £ 595.64

Thank you for your continued generosity.

CLERGY EDUCATION & TRAINING FUND - SPECIAL COLLECTION

Today the annual Collection for the Clergy Education & Training Fund is being held. Special Envelopes are available for you to use. If you wish Gift Aid to be claimed on your donation, please write in your name and full address (including postcode) on the front of the Special Envelope provided. It will then be possible to claim Gift Aid on your donation.

A Leaflet about the Fund is also available which provides information on how you can make a regular donation to the Fund (by Standing Order or Cheque), and how you can donate Online at www.dioceseofshrewsbury.org/clergy-education-and-training-fund. It also explains how to take advantage of Gift Aid to boost your donation to the Fund.

On the training and formation of Priests, the future of our Diocese so much depends, and I would ask that you give your support in whatever way is possible. It is in every sense an investment in the future of the life and mission of the Diocese.

With every good wish,

Yours sincerely in Christ

+Mark

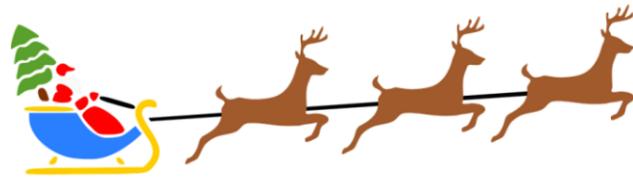
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CRIB SERVICE REQUEST

This year's children's liturgy service, on the Saturday before Christmas, is a Crib service. The children are invited to dress up and act out the story of the nativity whilst the story is read out loud (no words to learn!)

Our supply of nativity costume was lent out after its last use and not returned so we need new outfits. If you have old angel, shepherd, wise men, donkey or camel costumes lurking in your cupboards can we have them please? You can hand them to any member of the Children's Liturgy Team.

All children are welcome to attend the Crib Service and party afterwards. Please keep an eye on the newsletters during Advent for details.



PARISH CHRISTMAS LUNCH

This year's Christmas Lunch will take place at The Ramada Hotel on Forge Gate in Telford town centre on Sunday, 15th December at 1pm for 1.30pm. It will be a three-course lunch (with three choices per course) followed by tea/coffee and mince-pie. Tickets are £15 for adults and £7.50 for children.

Please note there is ample free parking at the Ramada Hotel.

Booking Forms are available from the church porch and when completed, should be returned by next Sunday, 1st December, to Fr Alban or to the Parish Office. Booking are coming in, so to secure your place, please return the Form.

THE CAFOD GROUP

The Group are most grateful for the support given by parishioners for their work in raising funds for the work of the Catholic Aid agency

Over the last 20-week session of the 150 Club the sum of £1,245 was raised by members towards the work of CAFOD. The Fast Day held in October raised a further £596.05 from parishioners; and the Frugal Lunch held after Mass on the first Friday of November raised £83.84. The Group wish to thank parishioners for their support.

Payment is now being collected for the next twenty-week session of the 150 Club. Payment can be made in full (£20) or in instalments. There are four prizes every week of £30, £15, £10 and £5. The final draw, in week 20, will include a first prize of £100. If you are not already a member of the 150 Club now is your chance to join. See the CAFOD representative in the Church porch.

VOLUNTEER LAY CHAPLAIN SOUGHT FOR HOLY TRINITY ACADEMY:

Could you be available a day a week, or once a fortnight at lunchtime, and on other occasions (such as Parent's Evenings) to be a positive presence in the School, available to talk to both students and staff, build friendships and be an encouragement? Role & Person specifications, together with an application form can be obtained from the school website: www.holytrinity.academy

CWL CAKE STALL

The CWL thanks everyone who made or bought cakes last weekend £151.00 was raised.

ROTAS

New Rotas are being prepared that will begin in the new year.

If you need to make changes to your current ministry or would like to join our teams of Welcomers, Repository, Extra-ordinary ministers of Holy Communion, Readers, Counters or Cleaners, please let Moira in the office know.

The more helpers we have, the lighter the workload for all.

YELLOW RIBBON APPEAL

Yellow Ribbon, (looking after people coming out of prison and settling in community), have a need for bedding again!

We would like single and double sheets and duvet covers, also bath, hand & tea towels.

We all have excesses in our cupboards, so please do a de-clutter and call me: Rita Wilkinson on 07803 281971.

You can drop them into Meeting Point House (back door for ease of delivery) or call me and I will collect.

Thank you for your generosity. *Rita*

ECUMENICAL GATHERINGS

There will be an Ecumenical gathering on Tuesday 3rd December at Our Ladies starting at 7.00pm. There will be an Advent theme – this service is the regular monthly meeting, rearranged from November. All are welcome to come along and join-in.

OUR LADY'S SVP BRING-AND-BUY

Members will be holding a Bring-and-Buy Sale in aid of SVP funds after Mass on Sunday, 8th December.

We would be most grateful if you would support this sale which will take place after 9am Mass by bringing an item for sale and buying an item. Maybe you could bring something that would make a Christmas gift – toiletries, jewellery or bric-a-brac. Or maybe a cake?

Janet Beyer – SVP President

The Christmas and New Year seasons are an expensive time for all of us, but especially for the demands made upon the SVP funds. Please be as generous as you can.

GIVE A SPECIAL CHRISTMAS GIFT: CAFOD

Cafod has designed "gifts" that can be bought and given as presents: chickens, goats, water, & mosquito nets.

These are opportunities to help make Christmas a time of blessing not just for ourselves but for those most in need. Catalogues are in the porch.

THE SVP's SUDAN APPEAL

St Patrick's SVP will be holding a "Frugal Lunch" after the 12:00hr Mass on Friday, 29th November. All donations will be sent to the Sudan Appeal. We have already donated £500.00 to the Appeal, but recently, the Appeal organisers have indicated that donations are significantly down, and they will have difficulty in forwarding to the Appeal, the funds which have been promised.

APF RED BOXES

Some of the Red Boxes have been emptied and are ready for collection from the Sacristy – if your box is not there don't despair there's more to follow next week

RCIA

We will begin a new RCIA course in January. The dates will be announced soon. Please add your name to the sheet on the notice board if you would like to attend. The course is for anybody wishing to have a deeper understanding of our shared faith.

A MESSAGE FROM MYANGA

A message from Sister Marion,
"There has been terrible flooding in Myanga, many people have lost their homes and are turning to the Sisters for help. The convent has been flooded twice but with concrete floors has been easier to clean.
Bless you all for the money raised enabling the Sisters to help the families in need.
Thank you"

PARISH DIARY

SP = St Patrick's; OL = Our Lady's

24th Christ the King
Clergy Education and Training Collection
Baptism SP
25th PFC Meeting SP
27th Knit and Knatter SP
28th SVP meets OL
28th Social Committee Meeting SP
30th Polish Wedding SP

December

1st 1st Sunday in Advent
3rd SVP meets SP
8th 2nd Sunday in Advent
10th St Luke's School Carol Concert (2pm)
12th St Luke's School Carol Concert (6pm)
15th 3rd Sunday in Advent
Parish Christmas Lunch
SVP meets SP
17th SVP meets SP
18th St Patrick's School Carol Service (in school)
21st Crib Service and Children's party
22nd 4th Sunday in Advent
25th Christmas Day