THE CATHEDRAL CHURCH OF ST MARIE
with the Churches of Holy Family and Our Lady Queen of Heaven & St Oswald

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OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE (B)

24th November to 1st December 2024

Readings: ***I*** *Dan 7:13-14* ***Ps*** *92:1ab, 1c-2, 5.* ℟ *1a* ***II*** *Rev 1:5-8* ***G*** *Jn 18:33b-37*
Next Sunday: ***I*** *Jer 33:14-16* ***Ps*** *25(24):4-5b, 8-9, 10+14.* ℟ *1b* ***II*** *1 Thess 3:12–4:2* ***G*** *Lk 21:25-28, 34-36*
Readings can also be found at http://universalis.com/Europe.England.Hallam/mass.htm or on the Universalis app

Cathedral

Sat 23 November: OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE (VIGIL)
3.00pm For the Polish World War II Dead

Sun 24: OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE
8.00am Kathleen Wilson (anniversary)
10.30am Erika Krajcovicova (in thanksgiving)
12.30pm Helen Carroll (R.I.P.)
6.30pm Nupur (intentions)

Monday 25: Monday in Week 34 *per annum*
8.00am November Memorial List
12.30pm Leo Craggs (intentions)
5.30pm Alice Baptiste (R.I.P.)

Tuesday 26: Tuesday in Week 34 *per annum*
8.00am Ina (birthday)
12.30pm Rudolf Macko (R.I.P.)
5.30pm Dorothy O'Malley (birthday anniversary)

Wednesday 27: Wednesday in Week 34 *per annum*
8.00am Lucy Hazell (intentions)
12.30pm November Memorial List
5.30pm Neville Durham (R.I.P.)

Thursday 28: Thursday in Week 34 *per annum*
8.00am Rev Fr James Leavy (R.I.P.)
12.30pm Special intention
5.30pm November Memorial List

Friday 29: Friday in Week 34 *per annum*
8.00am Kery & family (intentions)
12.30pm Amen Tesfay (intentions)
5.30pm Tapan Kumar (R.I.P.)

Saturday 30: ST ANDREW
8.00am Mithun Thomas Michael (intentions)
12.30pm Rev Fr Clement Abah (in thanksgiving)

Next Weekend – Cathedral

Sunday 1 December: 1st Sunday of Advent
8.00am November Memorial List
10.30am People of the Parishes
12.30pm Pierpaolo and Chiara Finaldi (intentions)
6.30pm Rev Fr John Windle (anniversary)

Our Lady Queen of Heaven & St Oswald

Sunday 24 November: OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE
9.15am Elizabeth Lofars (anniversary)

Sunday 1 December: 1st Sunday of Advent
9.15am Parish Intentions

Holy Family

Sunday 24 November: OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE
10.30am People of the Parishes

Sunday 1 December: 1st Sunday of Advent
10.30am Parish Intentions

Svätá Omša v slovenčine
(*Slovak Mass*) – St Charles Borromeo

Sunday 24 November: NÁŠHO PÁNA JEŽIŠA KRISTA, KRÁĽA NEBA I ZEME
3.00pm Parish Intentions

Sunday 1 December: 1. adventná nedeľa
3.00pm Parish Intentions

Sacrament of Confession ..... *Monday–Saturday: 11.30am–12.15pm*

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament ..... *Monday–Saturday: 11.30am–12.15pm*
..... *Saturday: after 8.00am Mass (with Benediction)*

Rosary ..... *Friday and Saturday: after the 12.30pm Mass*

Adoration and Prayer Group ..... *Wednesday 27th November, 6.00pm*

Bible Study Group ..... *Wednesdays, 7.30-8.30pm (in Cathedral House)*

We pray for Sr Eileen Keating, P.B.V.M., Helen Carroll, Frank Prince (ex-Lord Mayor), Phyllis Caesar, Monica Varney, and all those who have died recently.

Please remember in your prayers our sick: Gloria Welsh, Elizabeth Sandy, Jean Hegarty, Rima Lattash, Margaret & John Whitehead, Angela Eddy, Mary Parkinson, Kevin Worsnop, Emma Green, Damian Osako, Patricia Allen, Mary Worsnop, Jean Rogers (*flowers*), Kingsley Owomero, Margaret Smith, Charles Teti, Jean Rodgers (*ex-sacristan*), Liam Blayney, Gabriel Ofodile Okafor, Margaret Brennan, Diana, Karen Parry, Sarah Betts, Ben Lipman, Jean Nowak, Rev Fr David Barnes, Liam Bambury, Owen Jenkinson, and all those who are suffering mentally, emotionally or physically.

Names will stay on the list for 3 months. Please contact Cathedral House if you wish your friend or family member to be included.

Anniversaries this week: 24 Nov – Kathleen Wilson; 26 Nov – Rudolf Macko Sr, 28 Nov – Hilaire D'Roza; 30 Nov – Valentino Ciro Ferraro, Rev Fr Hubert McNamara; 1 Dec – Rev Fr John Windle.

Children's First Holy Communion Programme (2025): The next First Holy Communion programme for children will begin in January 2025. For First Communions, all children who are in Year 3 and above are eligible to join the course. **Registration forms are now available to pick up after Sunday Mass.** Please return them to the Cathedral office, and the catechists will be in touch with you via phone or email with further details about the programme.

Children's Confirmation Programme (2025): This year's Confirmation preparation programme for those of secondary school age (Year 8 upwards) will run from January to June 2025. The Confirmations will be celebrated at Pentecost (8th June 2025). The sessions to prepare will be held on Monday evenings in term time. If you would like your child to be confirmed, you and they will need to meet briefly with a member of the catechetical team one Monday evening in December. There is a sign up from in the sacristy/at the back of church for you to pick a time to meet us. Please bring your child's baptismal certificate to this meeting. The deadline to sign up is this Sunday (24th November).

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion needed for the 12.30pm Sunday Mass: The Cathedral is looking to reintroduce Holy Communion under both kinds at the 12.30pm Mass, and Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion (EMHCs) will be needed to make this happen. If you are a baptised, practicing Catholic with a devotion to the Most Holy Eucharist, and are interested in finding out more about being an EMHC, please speak to Fr Posluszny or one of the other priests. There will be preparation and training sessions later this month.

There will be a presentation to Fr Clement after the 12.30pm Mass on Saturday 30th November, which he will celebrate, in thanksgiving for his ministry at St Marie's. Refreshments and the presentation will be in the Houlden Hall. If you would like to contribute to his gift, there are envelopes at the back of church which can be placed in the pedestals or through the door at Cathedral House.

Volunteers needed as Welcomers and Stewards at the 8.00am Mass on Sundays: Please speak to a Steward to find out more, and contact Candida by email to PPC@stmariecathedral.org.

Statement on Assisted Suicide by the Bishops of England, Wales and Scotland: Our Bishops have issued a statement on the Assisted Suicide Bill, which will have its second reading in Parliament on 29th November. Copies of the statement are available at the back of the Cathedral, along with postcards from Lord Alton of Liverpool on behalf of *Not Dead Yet UK*, to assist in contacting your MP to vote against this legislation.

The Big Thank You 2024—to all our Volunteers: This Sunday, as we celebrate Our Lord Jesus Christ as King of the Universe, we will also be celebrating our wonderful volunteers and all the blessings they bring our community. Every single volunteer gives both of their time and talents to serve our community, and we all benefit from their gift. This year we have 169 volunteers working in 33 different areas and ministries, fulfilling 259 volunteering slots – thank you, Holy Spirit! If you are one of those volunteers, there is a personal card of thanks for you; please collect yours. And there will also be some refreshments for you in Houlden Hall after both the 10.30am and 12.30pm Masses, so please join us if you can.

***In Memoriam*:** In the Mortuary Chapel, which is in the left of the church, and where the bodies of the faithful departed rested prior to their funerals the following day, there is an opportunity to pray for your loved ones. Fill in a card with names of your loved one and place on the Altar with an LED candle on top. The clergy who served at St Marie's are remembered in the wall tiles. *Requiescat in pace*.

Beacon of Hope, our Mission Event this Advent – looking for volunteers: On Saturday 14th December, 5.00-7.00pm, we will be inviting city centre shoppers to come in to light a candle from our Candle of Hope, and to meet Jesus-in-the-Eucharist. There will be live music in Adoration of Jesus during this time. We are now looking for volunteers to join the following teams: (1) the street team – to hand out gifts and invite people in; (2) the carol singing team – to sing carols in the porch and create a comfortable link between the secular and the sacred; (3) the prayer team – to pray silent Rosary / Divine Mercy / St Michael's prayers inside the Cathedral; (4) the hospitality team – to greet people into the Cathedral, and encourage them by showing them what to do; and (5) the Adoration music team – to fill time slots in order that we can offer worship and adoration of Jesus-in-the-Eucharist for the duration of this event. To get involved, please speak / message Candida, or email her on PPC@stmariecathedral.org.

New Sunday Missals (ESV-CE/Abbey Psalms): Sunday Missals with the new translation of the readings and psalms for Mass, which comes into force on the 1st Sunday of Advent (1st December), are now available in the bookshop for £19.95. Advent items and Christmas cards will also be available soon.

Next Parish Pastoral Council Meeting—Tuesday 3rd December, 7.30pm: If you wish to bring something to the PPC's attention, or come along as a guest, please get in touch with Niall, the PPC Secretary, on PPC@stmariecathedral.org. Thank you.

Mass for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing—Sunday 15th December, 3.00pm: A fully BSL signed Mass has been arranged by Caritas at St Marie's Cathedral for the 3rd Sunday of Advent (15th December) at 3.00pm. Prior to Covid, there was a well-attended Mass for this group of people, and in the future Caritas are hoping to schedule a number of such Masses throughout the Diocese. All welcome.

Red Wednesday at St Marie's Cathedral: Last Wednesday was Red Wednesday, part of Aid to the Church in Need's campaign to "Break the Silence" on the persecution of Christians across the world, and churches across the country were lit up in red. The spire of St Marie's will continue to be lit in red until the end of next week. To donate to ACN and help persecuted Christians around the world, please visit https://acnuk.org/our-campaigns/redwednesday/

The next Talk and Social of St Marie's Christian Village will be on Saturday 7th December, at 6.00pm in Houlden Hall. "Accepting Others" will be the theme of the event. Afterwards, there will be a shared supper and a chance to socialise with each other. CVSM exists for all Christian: young and old, those who live as families and those who live alone. Please bring a food or drink contribution. For more information, please speak to Rafid or Valeria (10.30am Mass), or send them a message to rafiduk@yahoo.co.uk.

Each Sunday after the 10.30am Mass there is an opportunity to get together with other parishioners over a cup of coffee or tea. Please join us, whether you are a regular member of the congregation or a visitor. Refreshments are served in the Houlden Hall (1st floor of the building next door to the church), and we look forward to getting to know you better – all welcome!

Women's Group at St Marie's, each Thursday—welcoming new members: The Women's Group continues to meet every Thursday, offering friendship and laughter, faith discussion and loving support—always over cups of tea and delicious cake and biscuits! Women of all ages are most welcome. If you would like to join us, please come along at 11.00am on Thursdays and we will meet you in the Cathedral by the piano.

The Legion of Mary meets after the 12.30pm Sunday Mass in the parish room. If you are interested in joining the Legion of Mary, or finding out more about it, please come along to the meetings, or contact Franklin via 07587 480738.

St Marie's Bible Group: St Marie's Bible group will be meeting this Wednesday for a 7.30pm start in Cathedral House. This week, we'll be looking at the ninth chapter of John's Gospel. All welcome!

Children's Liturgy at the 10.30am Mass – all children welcome! Please meet Candida and the team at the baptismal font at the start of Mass, or ring the bell for Houlden Hall if you are running late. If your child is under five years old, please come along to help and support them.

Next Good Shepherd Youth—Saturday 30th November, 4.00-7.00pm: Good Shepherd Youth is open to all secondary aged young people (whether they come to Church or not). Each session always involves Jesus, socialising, games and homecooked pizza! To find out more, please contact Candida on PPC@stmariecathedral.org.

As the new Lectionary comes into force at the beginning of Advent, the "Guide to Reading at St Marie's Cathedral" has been updated and reprinted. Please can all Readers collect their copy from the basket on the bookshelf under the bell tower. A WhatsApp group is also available for Readers, where vital information can be passed on, as well as last minute changes to the Reading rota. If you are not already in this group, please contact Bob Rae (bob.rae@stmariecathedral.org).

Devotion of the Month – Novena for the Holy Souls in Purgatory: During the month of November, we are all called to pray for those souls in Purgatory. Purgatory is an extension of God's grace beyond our earthly lives, and this final purification is needed to attain the holiness necessary to enter the joy of heaven. Please join us in praying a Novena for the Holy Souls, which you can find on our Facebook page, and on the Homepage of our website (https://stmariecathedral.org).

Saint of the Week – St Catherine Labouré & the Miraculous Medal: On Wednesday 27th November, we remember St Catherine Labouré who was born in France in 1806, the 9th of 11 children. When her mother passed away, Catherine was just 9 years old; it is said that she went home from the funeral, picked up a statue of the Blessed Mother Mary, and declared "Now you will be my mother". She and her younger sister moved in with their aunt for a couple of years, and it was there that Catherine had a dream of an old priest – later identified as St Vincent de Paul – telling her that that it is good to care for the sick, and that God had plans for her. In 1830, she entered the nursing order of St Vincent de Paul, known as the Daughters of Charity. On the eve of the feast of St Vincent de Paul that year, she experienced her first Marian Vision. Then on the 27th November of the same year, Mary returned to her once more, giving her both the image and details of what would become known as the Miraculous Medal of Our Lady of Graces. "All who wear them will receive great graces", Mary told her. Catherine spent forty years caring for the aged and infirm, and today, millions of people around the world wear the Miraculous Medal. She died at the age of 70, and her cause for sainthood was triggered by the discovery that her body is incorrupt.

Security

Be aware that thieves operate in the city centre so keep handbags & valuables with you at all times when in Church

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