



The Catholic Churches of

# Christ the King

with St. Augustine's

& Our Lady  
of Lourdes



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## FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT

(Year C)

6th April 2025

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Dear Parishioners

This week we have a very important Pastoral Letter from the Archbishop on the Assisted Suicide Bill. I have produced a copy for you to read as well as it being read at Mass and there is a card to help you write to our Local MP. Already the promises made in the Bill are being changed and the matter is being rushed through, even though it is one of the most important changes debated by Parliament. Please give this matter very serious consideration.

This Sunday afternoon at 3.00pm we have our Anointing for the Sick and Housebound. Please invite anyone who you think will benefit from the anointing. I know it brings many people a great deal of comfort. It will be followed by an Easter Tea in the Library. If anyone needs lifts, please let us know. I am grateful to Fr Benedict and his friend Fr Lim Gamsi who will celebrate the Service of Anointing.

We also have a Parish Retreat Day next Saturday 12th April. This is something new this year, please try to come along.

We have put out the list for the Passover Meal which will be next Sunday, Palm Sunday 13th April at 4.00pm. We need to know by Monday 7th April if you would like to attend. It is an enjoyable experience and a good way of understanding the Passover and its links to the Eucharist also, a good way to start Holy Week. The cost remains at £10 for adults and £5 for children. We ask that you try to book as a family or friendship groups so that we can arrange tables accordingly.

Next Sunday at the 9.00am Mass, we will have a Palm Procession from the Parish Centre to the church and we will have Java the Donkey as part of the procession. We will have the blessing and distribution of the Palms at all of our weekend Masses. On Tuesday 15th April we have our Parish Penance Service with visiting priests at 7.00pm. Please make a special effort to come to Confession as part of your Easter duties.

I wanted to thank all those helping with our Parish Foodbank and to thank the schools

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Very Rev Canon Tom Farrell, PP [canon.tom.farrell@rcaob.org.uk](mailto:canon.tom.farrell@rcaob.org.uk)

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### Parish Website: [ctk-cov.org.uk](http://ctk-cov.org.uk)

and all the volunteers for their hard work. We have had an amazing response and are able to send out 70 large food parcels each week as well as providing bulk items to some of the family centres. Thanks for your generous support and time given by all the volunteers. On a practical note, you may wish to help with our Foodbank. We may need the occasional help to drop off items, so if you are a driver and willing to help please let us know.

We will be looking at how we visit the sick and housebound with Holy Communion. We will be asking some of our Eucharistic Ministers to help the Clergy in their home visits and we are grateful to Eucharistic Ministers for their help, not only in the church but with the home visits. We will be letting Ministers know about these arrangements over the next couple of weeks.

In May, the Relics of the Ulma Family will visit Coventry and we hope to have the Relics in Christ the King. The Ulma Family were a Polish family who hid Jewish families. When it was discovered, all the family, including an unborn child, were murdered. They have been recognised by the Jewish state and beatified by the late Pope Benedict. The Polish Church are also organising some events for the visit and we will let you know about them. We hope to have the Relics of St Gerard Majella visit the parish in 2026.

This weekend Matthew Roddy will be handing over the management of the club to Brendan Morgan who has been the Deputy Manager. I have arranged for Matthew to receive an award from the Church to recognise his work for the Parish Centre over the last 8 years. I will present this to him on Saturday evening at the 6.00pm Mass and we wish him every blessing. I know he has planned some overseas trips to visit family and friends. We look forward to working with Brendan who I am sure will keep up the high standards in the Centre. We wish him well.

God bless Fr Tom

### This week we pray for those recently deceased

Kevin Shakespeare, Katrina Caldwell, Chris Tunney,  
Yvonne Trickett, Armanda and Francesco Andrade  
*May they rest in peace*

### We pray for those preparing for Baptism

Darragh Sullivan

### Online Webcam



We livestream at both our churches.  
For more information please see our  
website and posters in church.

*The Parish operates in accordance with Statutory Safeguarding Guidance and the National and Archdiocesan policies & procedures at all times. Our Parish Safeguarding Representative is Sarah Pittaway. She can be contacted at: [sg.ctk.covty@rcaob.org.uk](mailto:sg.ctk.covty@rcaob.org.uk) or alternatively the Diocesan Safeguarding team can be contacted on 0121 230 6240 [safeguarding@rcaob.org.uk](mailto:safeguarding@rcaob.org.uk) if you have any concerns.*



Christ The King Church		
Saturday	9.30am	People of the Parish. Eva Stanton. Anniv.
	10.00am	<b>Holy Hour and Confessions</b>
Fifth Sunday of Lent 6th April 2025	6.00pm	Sally Roddy. Anniv. Willie Thorpe. 1st Ann. Mary Cole and Family. Anniv.
	9.00am	The McKeever Family. Dec'd.
Monday	12 Noon	Pauline Long. Birthday Memorial.
		Karen Pollard. Anniv.
Tuesday		Phyllis, Pat and Phillip O'Farrell. Anniv.
	9.30am	Special Intention (M.M.)
Wednesday	10.30am	<b>Requiem Mass</b> - Katrina Caldwell. RIP
		Josie Byrne. Anniv.
Thursday	9.30am	Jane Kalnins. Birthday Memorial.
	7.00am	The McCarthy Family's Intentions.
Friday	9.30am	Paddy O'Dea. Anniv.
	12 Noon	<b>Funeral Reception</b> - Kevin Shakespeare. RIP.
Saturday	7.00pm	Charlie Ward. Dec'd.
		<b>Requiem Mass</b> - Kevin Shakespeare. RIP.
Palm Sunday 13th April 2025		Daphne Harrison. Dec'd.
		Sha Ferguson. 90th Birthday Intentions.
	9.30am	Peter Ronan and Kieran Amphlett. Anniv.
	6.00pm	Kathleen and Patrick O'Donnell. Anniv.
		Johnny Murphy. Anniv.
		John Griffin. Dec'd.
		Timmy Ryan. Anniv. and the Ryan Family. Dec'd.
		Paddy and Kathleen Kavanagh. Anniv.
St Augustine's Church		
Sunday	10.30am	Lily Gallagher. Anniv.
Wednesday	9.30am	Sister Rita. Birthday Intention.
Sunday	10.30am	John O'Mahoney. Anniv.
		Colman O'Donoghue. Anniv.

## Collections

Thank you for your weekly offerings

Collection for 30<sup>th</sup> March

Loose Plate £ 863.00

Gift Aid £ 694.10

**TOTAL £ 1,557.10**

**STANDING ORDERS  
FOR JANUARY  
= £2,192.10**

**Thank you for your continued support!**

Please notify the parish office if there has been any changes in your circumstances i.e. name, home address or if you no longer pay sufficient tax on your income. Email [ga.ctk.covty@rcaob.org.uk](mailto:ga.ctk.covty@rcaob.org.uk) or phone 024 76 591618

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## This week's diary

**Monday 7<sup>th</sup> April 2025**

**9.00am Toddler Group.**

**5.00pm Legion of Mary**

**7.00pm Knights of St Columba** (meet on the third Monday of the month in the Library at CTK. Contact Peter on 07565 966103)

**Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> April 2025**

**9.00am Toddler Group**

**7.00pm Youth Group**

**Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> 2025**

**9.00am Toddler Group**

**Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> April 2025**

**9.00am Toddler Group**

**7.00pm Justice and Peace meeting in the Library**

**Friday 11<sup>th</sup> April 2025**

**No Toddler Group**

**12.30pm - 2.00pm - AA Group in the Library**

## Future Dates for your Diary

**Anointing of the Sick - 6<sup>th</sup> April at 3.00pm.**

**Palm Sunday - 13<sup>th</sup> April. Passover Meal - 13<sup>th</sup> April at 4.00pm.**

**Easter Sunday - Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> April**

## St Augustine's Sports Centre

### Christ the King Boxing Club

train every Wednesday & Thursday. 6.00pm - 8.15pm. All welcome.

**Contact Brendan Malone-07950 690122**

Zumba - Wednesdays at 10.30am with Nina

## Baptisms

Please talk with one of the Priests after Mass giving your name, address and 'phone number, so that we can arrange a home visit and give you the necessary application form and literature.

## Christ the King Rota

**5<sup>th</sup> / 6<sup>th</sup> April**

**Readers**

**Ministers**

**6.00pm** A French

M Duke

T Luff

K Moroney

**9.00am** B Wright

J Griffin

T O'Connor

Sister Felicity

**12 Noon** P Farrell

A McFeeley

M Baldwin

R Askew

**12<sup>th</sup> / 13<sup>th</sup> April**

**6.00pm** C Duckett

T Luff

R McGrath

C Corkerry

**Narrator** E Hughes

K Millage

**9.00am** H Thomas

B Wright

F McLintock

I Keogh

**Narrator** R Donaldson

Fr Tom

**12 Noon** J O'Farrell

N Amatobi

M Brennan

K Lowe

**Narrator** M Baldwin

Fr Benedict

## St Augustine's Rota

**6<sup>th</sup> April**

**Readers**

**Ministers**

**10.30am** B Burke

G Reidy

S Mawson

C Keane

**13<sup>th</sup> April**

**10.30am** S Mawson

V Cruz

B Burke

J Lee

**Narrator** K Bosworth

K Millage

## CTK TEA ROTA

**5<sup>th</sup> / 6<sup>th</sup> April**

**12<sup>th</sup> / 13<sup>th</sup> April**

**6.00pm** The Blanche Family

**6.00pm** M Duke / B Cannon

**9.00am** T Little / M Murray

**9.00am** P & S Carlin

**12 Noon** P & P Fitzmaurice

**12 noon** G & P O'Connell

## Community Centre [www.ctkparishcentre.co.uk](http://www.ctkparishcentre.co.uk)

**Mercia Friendship Club** Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> April

1.00pm - 3.00pm - Bingo and Chat

**SUNDAY NIGHT IN THE CENTRE: Bingo** from 8pm-9pm.

**Music by "Wild Rover". Jackpot** £370 on 51 numbers or less.

**OPEN THE BOX - 1 X £300 & 14 X £50 = £1000.**

**Monday nights Upstairs - Keogh Academy of Irish Dance.** Children's

Lessons, Beginners to Championship levels - 7.00pm

Adults Ceili Lessons - Beginners to Advanced levels - 7.30pm.

**Saturday - 9.30am - 11.30am - all ages.**

Please contact Imelda on 07980 664116 for further information.

**WHIST DRIVE at 1.30pm Every Monday** (1pm First Monday of the

month) For further details please call Brian on 024 76 338234.

**Tuesday Morning Gentle Yoga** 10.00 -11.00am £5.00 per session.

**Tuesday 8.30pm - Accoustic Guitar Sessions**

**Wednesday Yoga Classes** relax and get fit: try our Sun Power Yoga!

6.30pm to 8.00pm All welcome, beginners, men & women - First Class

Free!! £7.00-£9.00 per session for details contact Maureen 76415586 /

07507636623.

**Wednesday - 9.00pm-11.00pm** 25 Card Game. All welcome!!

## OTHER ITEMS OF INTEREST

**CTK COMMUNITY LUNCH** - Monday 7<sup>th</sup> April at 12.15pm. Easter Theme! Chef's hot 2 course lunch, tea/coffee, after dinner mints, subsidised drink, entertainment and dancing. Meet your friends - old and new. **Tickets only £15pp** from June-02476 332744 or Helen -02476 275775.

**DAVID PARNELL. RIP** To mark the sixth month anniversary of the death of David Parnell, his family would like to express their heartfelt thanks for all of the support from so many people in the parish at the time of his funeral. A special thank you to Fr Tom, Fr Benedict, the Deacons and the Sisters of the Holy Rosary for their wonderful pastoral care. Thank you to Christ the King Football Club for the very fitting tribute of the guard of honour. Also, thank you to the Flower Fairies for the beautiful floral arrangement. David loved this parish and he would be very humbled by the community spirit displayed. The family very much appreciate the get well wishes for Josie. A thanksgiving Mass will be offered for you all.

**YOUNG ADULTS GROUP MEETINGS:** St Osburg's, 7pm to 9pm. Next meeting 8th April. To find out more please email Fr Benedict

[fr.benedict.skipper@rcaob.org.uk](mailto:fr.benedict.skipper@rcaob.org.uk)

**FIRST SATURDAY DEVOTIONS TO OUR LADY OF FATIMA** celebrated on the First Saturday of each month at the Saturday morning Holy Hour.

**PILGRIMAGE TO MEDJUGORJE** Departure dates for 2025 Pilgrimages - 4<sup>th</sup> - 11<sup>th</sup> May and 16<sup>th</sup> - 23<sup>rd</sup> October. Airline - Jet2. Depart from Birmingham to Split (airfares and travel insurance by each traveller) Cost based on two people sharing, twin or double room £320 per person. Single room - £350 per person. Please see poster for details or contact Deacon Keith - 07860 109029 or email: [janettemillage@gmail.com](mailto:janettemillage@gmail.com). 3 May.

**HOLY WEEK REFLECTIONS** on Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> April at 6.00pm in St Thomas More. A chance to reflect on the week ahead through word and music. During this service Luke (our Seminarian on placement) will reflect on the upcoming Holy Week. There will also be musical reflections sung by Hannah, his sister-in-law. The service will conclude with solemn Benediction. Light refreshments will be available in the MRR afterwards. Please see the poster for more information.

**COUPLES RETREAT** on 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> May (7.00pm - 9.00pm) in the MRR. A chance to enrich your marriage as you understand God's purpose for your married life. A retreat led by Br Colin Calmiano. £15 per couple. Limited seats so registration is important. Please call 07438 774231 or 07405 889088. Please see poster for more information. Please see the poster for more information.

**CTK FOOTBALL CLUB TOTE** March '25.-1<sup>st</sup> No 128 - J Parnell, 2<sup>nd</sup>-No 129 - N Dixon, 3<sup>rd</sup> No 89 - D Goodall, 4<sup>th</sup> - No 168 - M McCarthy.

## Useful Information

**There are 24/7**

Live Cameras

Operating in both Churches.



**If you hear the Fire Alarm.** Leave by the nearest exit, go to the assembly point in the car park and await further instructions.



## Parish Contact numbers:

Presbytery: 76591618, Community Centre: 76593444

Christ the King Primary School: 76335790

St Augustine's Primary School: 76596988, Sports Centre: 76601118

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**Parish Website:** [www.ctk-cov.org.uk](http://www.ctk-cov.org.uk)

**Twitter:** <https://twitter.com/ctkcov>

**Parish Secretary:** Fiona McLintock: [ctk.covty@rcaob.org.uk](mailto:ctk.covty@rcaob.org.uk)

**Newsletter items to:** [ctk.covty@rcaob.org.uk](mailto:ctk.covty@rcaob.org.uk) by Thursday evening



## Baby Changing Facilities.

Available in the Disabled Toilet



**Please switch off your mobile phone** when in the Church.



**An induction Loop System** is provided in the church. Please switch your Hearing Aid to the 'T' position

