



NEWSLETTER

SOLEMNITY OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST

WE REMEMBER ALL THOSE WHO HAVE DIED RECENTLY:

Sue Lewis, Michael Connor,

WE REMEMBER ALL THOSE WHOSE ANNIVERSARIES OCCUR AT THIS TIME:

Raffaele Pizzi, Monica Roberts, Dorothy James, Dorothy Thomas, Eileen Parr, Mary Nickolls, John Netley, Sylvia Hird, Mrs Cook, Basil Devitt, Bernard Ryall-Mack, John Sheerin, Brian Rowlinson, David Lyons, David Gant, Madge Smith, Mary Carroll, John Quinn, Jim Treanor, Gabriel Melao, Michael Enright, Mary Auty, Ted McCabe, Georgina Tuck, Eric Hill, John Carter, Edward Wilson, Mrs Wilson, Margita Jakes, Hryhorii Ryback.

AND THOSE WHO ARE SICK & HOUSEBOUND:

Elizabeth Smart, Brian Smart, Julia Tucker, Catherine Twomey, Sister Theresa Smythe, Sue Atkins, Madeleine Page, Alma Hamilton, Jill Tansley, Anna Hradil, Penny Watson, Michael O'Connell, Paul Thorpe, Maureen Hughes, Anna Bingham, Mary Hutchings, Margaritha Gibson, Anne King, Graham King, Hazel Grimoldby, Mavis Parsons, Marie Mackay, Richard Fairfax, Roger Dore, Florencia Duga, Sandra Jones, Christopher Browne, Eveleen O'Farrell, Jane Tolfree, Carmel Allan, Sean Carroll, Martin Connolly, Joseph Hughes, Imogen Jenkins, Paul Jones, Riza Carol Khan, Esther Page, Lochlan Quinlan, Sr Raymond SSJA, Michael Sigsworth, Vera Terry, Mary Wallace.

MASS TIMES & INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK:

Sat	22 nd	5:30pm	St John Fisher	Solemnity of our Lord Jesus Christ	Jim Grace RIP
Sun	23 rd	8:00am	St George	Solemnity of our Lord Jesus Christ	Ken and Kelly Chisholm RIP
Sun	23 rd	9:15am	St George	Solemnity of our Lord Jesus Christ	John Carrington RIP
Sun	23 rd	11:00am	St Teresa	Solemnity of our Lord Jesus Christ	Al and Pat Parry RIP
Mon	24 th	9:30am	St George	Memorial of St Andrew Dung-Lac, Priests and Companions	Minnie Crossman RIP
Tues	25 th	9:30am	St George	Weekday in Ordinary Time	Mgr Patrick Lynch RIP
Tues	25 th	1:15pm	Musgrove Chapel	Weekday in Ordinary Time	Mary Howson RIP
Wed	26 th	9:30am	St George	Weekday in Ordinary Time	Deceased Members of the Crossman & Boyce Families
Wed	26 th	6:15pm	St George	Weekday in Ordinary Time	Christopher Sutton RIP
Thurs	27 th	9:30am	St John Fisher	Weekday in Ordinary Time	Fr James Byrne RIP
Thurs	27 th	12:30pm	St George	Weekday in Ordinary Time	Veronica Twort RIP
Fri	28 th	10:00am	St Teresa	Weekday in Ordinary Time	Gerrard & Kathleen McStay
Sat	29 th	9:30am	St George	Weekday in Ordinary Time	Victor Smith RIP
Sat	29 th	5:30pm	St John Fisher	First Sunday of Advent	People of the Parishes
Sun	30 th	8:00am	St George	First Sunday of Advent	Deceased Members of the Mann and Boalch Families
Sun	30 th	9:15am	St George	First Sunday of Advent	Pauline Atherton RIP
Sun	30 th	11:00am	St Teresa	First Sunday of Advent	In Thanksgiving for Joshua's Recovery
Sun	30 th	3:30pm	St George	Advent Service	

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The Feast of Christ the King invites us to contemplate a kingship unlike any other—one revealed not through earthly power but through self-giving love. In Luke 23:35–43, Jesus reigns from a cross, a place associated with shame rather than majesty. The leaders mock Him, soldiers taunt Him, and even one of the criminals crucified beside Him joins in the derision. Yet it is precisely here, in His apparent defeat, that Christ reveals the true nature of His kingship.

The second criminal recognizes what others cannot: that Jesus' kingdom is not abolished by suffering but mysteriously established through it. His plea—"Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom"—expresses a faith that sees beyond the immediate horror of the cross to the deeper reality of divine mercy and authority. Jesus' response, "Today you will be with me in Paradise," reveals a king whose power restores, forgives, and welcomes.

Paul's hymn in Colossians 1:12–20 deepens this vision. Christ is "the image of the invisible God," the one through whom all things were created and in whom all things hold together. The cosmic glory described here is astonishing, yet it is the same Christ who hangs on the cross. His kingship is both infinite in scope and intimately personal. He reconciles "all things" and yet responds tenderly to the faith of a dying criminal.

Reflecting on these passages, we discover that Christ's kingship overturns our assumptions about power. His sovereignty is expressed in compassion, His victory in self-giving love, and His kingdom in reconciliation. To honor Christ the King is to allow His way of mercy and truth to shape our own lives.

FATHER DAVID SAVOURY

NEWS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

DEMENTIA FRIENDLY SERVICE: thank you to everyone who attended the service for those with dementia and their carers last Sunday and made it such a success. A similar service will take place in the New Year. Details to follow.

ST JOHN FISHER ADVENT LUNCHESES: As part of our Advent preparations at St. John Fisher we are planning to hold four Advent Lunches where over a packed lunch we will explore themes linked to the season. The first will take place on Wednesday 26th Nov & then 3rd, 10th and 17th December. Meetings will be from 12 -1.30. The theme for the first will be Journeys. You are invited to bring scriptural readings, poems, hymns or anything linked to the theme or just bring yourselves and a packed lunch-hot drinks provided.

ADVENT SERVICE OF READINGS, REFLECTIONS AND MUSIC – 3.30pm, Sunday 30th November, in St George's Church, followed by refreshments in the Parish Centre. All welcome.

REMEMBRANCE BOOK: is now at the back of St George for Parishioners to write the names of the dead they wish to be remembered this month.

WEST SOMERSET CIRCLE OF THE CATENIAN ASSOCIATION: welcome Peter Rand, a longtime supporter of Catholics in the Holy Land. He will talk about the current plight of our brethren and the appalling conditions in which they now live and the difficulties in working to earn money to feed their families. Monday 24th November at the Walnut Tree Hotel, North Petherton starting at 2.15pm. Any parishioners wanting to lunch beforehand, please contact Mike Keenan on 01984 634731 or mikejkeen@btinternet.com. Those wishing to attend only for the talk will be more than welcome.

ADULT EDUCATION: the Diocesan department for Adult Education have a new newsletter available on the Diocese Website. Feedback or suggestions are welcome.

CONFESSION TIMES: At St George's: Sat 10am-10:30am; Thurs 12 noon -12:30pm

At St Teresa's: Fri 9:30am -10am at St John Fisher: Sat 5pm-5:25pm

ADORATION TIMES: At St George Tues-Sun-6:30am-7:30am;

Wed 6:30am-9:30am; Tue-Fri 5-6pm; Thurs 12 -12:25pm; Fri 5:00am – 9:00pm
Saturdays 10am-11am (Children's Holy hour); St Teresa: Mon 10am; St John Fisher: Wed 5pm-6pm; Thurs 10-12pm

BENEDICTION: 7pm Fridays at St George's Catholic Church

PARISH COMMUNITIES & FELLOWSHIPS:

LEGION OF MARY: meet Thursday 6:30-pm in the Catholic Centre. All welcome
AFRICAN CATHOLIC FELLOWSHIP: meet Sunday 7th December after 9:15am Mass in the Parish Centre.

PINOY CLUB: next meet Sunday 21st December after 9:15am Mass in the Centre

IMPACT YOUTH GROUP: next meet Sunday 30th November for teens 12-18years in the Rectory from 530pm-7pm.

NOTICES

Diocesan Prayer Link: English Martyrs, Chard; with Crewkerne & Ilminster.

Standing Orders: 16/11/2025

St George: £2153.42 St Teresa: £369.92

St John Fisher: £176.08

Offertory Collection: 16/11/2025

St George: £444.68 St Teresa: £286.10

St John Fisher: £197.90

MRS SUE LEWIS: the widow of Father Michael Lewis recently died at her home in Wales. Following a Requiem Mass in her home parish church, her body will be brought for burial at North Curry Parish Church, at 11 am Thursday 27th November

SECOND COLLECTION: Poor Missions of the Diocese on the weekend of the 7th December.

ST TERESA: Next event will be soup & a roll on the 30th November. Thanks to all at who supported CAFOD we raised £265- with gift aid just under £400- see the difference gift aid makes!

BOOK GROUP: will next meet on Wednesday 3rd December 2.00 pm. We are reading "Northanger Abbey" by Jane Austen. Fr Peter is keen to recruit new members. The reading is for enjoyment in friendly company, and you would be welcome. More details from the Parish Administrator.

FAMILY MASS: Bishop Bosco is to celebrating Mass in the Cathedral on Saturday 14th February (12 Noon). He invites all families to join him.

CALLING ALL SINGERS: if you would like to sing at the Christmas service please do come and join in. St Georges Choir practices 7.30pm – 9.00pm
Thursday evenings, Junior Choir 7.00pm – 8.15pm.

PRAYER GROUPS:

Charismatic Prayer Group: 2nd and 4th Wed 10am-11.30am
St. George's Centre

Led Holy Hour: St George's on the last Wednesday of the month 7:30-8:30pm

Mother's Prayer: Every other Thurs 8-10pm Parish Centre.

Prepare for Sunday praying the Mass readings together:

St George's Centre, 2pm on December 4th and 18th

Pray the Rosary: Tues 6:15pm St George's Church; 1st Tuesday of the month at 10:30am St John Fisher Church.

HEALING PRAYER MINISTRIES:

1st weekend each month after all Masses except 8am & after Mass on 3rd Sat at St. George.

Also appointments are available by mail:
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