



St. Paul's Parish Ayrfield

Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe – C

20th November 2022



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Pastors Desk

Thinking of the end of time and what it could mean for each of us is not something that's discussed very often these days. What will happen to us? How can we best prepare for that time or moment in our lives?

Today our Gospel seeks to direct our thoughts on the subject by drawing our attention to the last moments of Christ's earthly life. We hear how he is condemned to death on the cross for claiming to be a King. Ironically the only crown he wore was the one made for him out of some thorny branches. They had written and placed the sign 'Jesus of Nazareth, King of the Jews' over his head.

While the Kings of this earth might rule from a palace here in complete contrast, we have Christ the King

reigning from the cross. His invitation was simply that people would give their hearts and minds and follow him freely, living their lives according to his word.

In our busy lives and world, we can easily lose sight of the truth that Heaven is our Final destination. Today's Feast is that gentle reminder or invitation to start living our lives the way Jesus taught us to live them and bring about a change of heart. His own lifestyle of service to others and respect for all should be the only inspiration we need to work hard to create a world of justice, love, compassion and peace for all in society.

Each of us is invited to make him King of our hearts and our lives in all matters.

Fr. Gerry.

Grow In Love

At 10:30am Mass this Sunday, we welcome the children who are preparing for their First Holy Communion and their families for the "Grow In Love" programme. During the month of November we have been remembering those who have gone before us. The leaves that the children will bring with them to this Mass serve to remind us of death and more importantly, of the promise of new life.

Note: We remind children who have not made their First Holy Communion yet to come up to the priest for a blessing at communion time with their hands crossed in front of their chest to signify this.



Learning About The Mass

WHO DOES WHAT AT MASS? At every Mass you will notice that some members of the assembly have different jobs. We call these jobs 'ministries'. Let's look at some more of them:

MINISTER OF THE WORD: Even though we sometimes call this person the reader, the proper name is 'Minister of the Word'. The readings of Mass come from the Bible. They are the Word of God and so we can say that we hear God speaking to us through the voice of the Minister of the Word.

THE COLLECTORS: The people who collect our gift of money during Mass.

THE MINISTER OF THE EUCHARIST: The person who helps to give out communion at Mass. They sometimes bring communion to those who are unable to come to Mass because they are sick.

MUSIC: Many parishes have choirs – groups of people who sing at Mass. Their singing helps the whole assembly to pray and we are all encouraged to join with the choir.

ARRIVING IN THE CHURCH

Usually when we come into God's house we bow our heads or go down on one knee. This is called 'genuflection'. It shows respect and love for Jesus. We genuflect or bow in front of the tabernacle, the special place where Jesus is present at all times. There will be a red light near the tabernacle, called the Sanctuary Lamp. This light tells us that Jesus, the Blessed Sacrament, is present inside. The Blessed Sacrament is another name for Jesus.

Mass Times

Saturday : 6 pm Vigil

Sundays : 10:30 am & 12:30pm

Weekdays : Tue, Wed, Thu & Fri. 10 am

Service of the Word with Communion : Monday 10am

Weekday service is preceded by the Rosary at 9:40am

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Our Lady of Knock Prayer Group

will meet in
St. Paul's Church, Ayrfield
this Thursday,

24th November from 8pm - 9pm.



St. Paul's Knitting Group

will hold a coffee morning & raffle in aid of the **Irish Motor Neuron Disease Association**



on **Sunday 27th November** from **10am – 1pm** in the Pastoral Centre



The Mater Hospital are holding a **Remember Me Walk in St Anne's Park** on **Sunday 27th at 10 am.**

The walk is to celebrate and remember those that have gone before us and raise much needed funds for **End-of-Life Care** in the Mater Public Hospital. We meet at The Red Stables.



Parish Pastoral Council - New Members Needed

Would you consider becoming a member of the Parish Council which meet monthly? Or would you know of someone who might be interested? If so, please check with the person first. If interested, please contact Fr. Deegan by **Sunday 27th November.**

Please see below the **Parish Mission Statement** which gives a certain understanding on what St. Paul's Parish Council strives to be.

"Through active listening, renewal, outreach and inclusiveness, the Council, guided by the Holy Spirit, seeks to continually support the faith life of the Parish and identify challenges facing our Parish Community and develop ways to respond to them."

Ministers of the Word & Eucharist

Would you like to be a Minister of the Word (reader) or a Minister of the Eucharist?

As the Church teaches, *"The diversity of ministers is essential to the fruitful celebration of the Mass. All of the faithful are summoned to a "full, conscious, and active participation" that burns with faith, hope and charity, by reason of their baptism."*

If you are interested, please contact :
Fr. Gerard Deegan on 01 8674007 or
the Parish office on 01 8160984

*We remember at Mass
and in our prayers
those who
have gone before us*



Saturday (Vigil Mass) **6:00 pm**

**Deceased members of the Legion of Mary
John Joe & Elizabeth Carters** Anniversaries

Sunday **10:30 am**

Peter Delaney Birthday Remembrance
Kay Walsh Anniversary

Sunday **12:30 pm**

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Tuesday **10:00 am**

Kay Walsh 9th Anniversary

Wednesday **10:00 am**

John & Tony Grehan Remembrance

Thursday **10:00 am**

Brian Cooling Anniversary

Friday **10:00 am**

Thomas "Tom" Browne Anniversary

May they rest in peace

Saturday (Vigil Mass) **6:00 pm**

Paul & Violet Shields Special Intention



Confirmation Workshop for Parents and children preparing for Confirmation in 2023 will take place in the Church at **7pm on Monday 21st**

November List of the Dead

Spare envelopes are available on both church stands near the doors. These envelopes with completed lists and offerings can be returned to the church and placed in the boxes provided.

Those on the November List of the Dead are remembered throughout the year at the First Friday masses when we pray for recently deceased and all on the Altar List of the Dead.

Pray the Rosary

The Rosary is prayed every morning,
Monday – Friday at 9:40am,
before 10am mass



Notice to Coeliacs: *If you have been advised to abstain from Gluten, please contact the Priest before Mass so that we can try to accommodate your requirements.*