

CATHOLIC PARISH OF CHRIST THE KING



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Safeguarding: If you have any worries or concerns about **Safeguarding** please email either Celine Duckworth at wimbledonparksg1@safeguardrcaos.org.uk or Simon Cowdry at wimbledonparksg4@safeguardrcaos.org.uk or alternatively ring/text 07565 141 281.

5th November 2023
31st in Ordinary Time (A)



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OUR CHURCH IS OPEN SEVEN DAYS A WEEK until 7.30 p.m

WEEKLY COLLECTIONS:

First Collection (Cash): £181.93 First Collection Gift Aid Envelopes: £ 83.90
 First Collection (Contactless): £183.00
 Standing Orders: £840.00
Total for last weekend: £1,288.83

Mass Intentions for this weekend:			4/5 Nov 2023
Sat 4 Nov	Vigil Mass	6.00pm	People of the Parish
Sun 5 Nov	Family Mass	8.30am 10.30am	Frank O'Connell Deceased Priests of the Diocese
Mon 6	Feria	9.30am	Edith Matthews
Tues 7	The Dedication of Cathedral of St George	9.30am 10-10.30am	Carole Harris on her 50 th Birthday EXPOSITION
Weds 8	Feria	9.30am	Tony Green
Thurs 9	The Dedication of the Lateran Basilica	9.30am	Kazimierz & deceased members of the Watrach Family
Fri 10	St Leo the Great	9.30am	Nora & Richard Smith
Sat 11 Nov	St Martin of Tours	9.30am	Private Intention
Next Weekend:		11/12 Nov 2023	Sunday Masses Thirty-Second Sunday (A)
Sat 11 Nov	Vigil Mass	6.00pm	People of the Parish
Sun 12 Nov	Family Mass	8.30am 10.30am	Intentions of John & Liz Pierse Matthew Roche on his 50 th Birthday
CONFESSIONS ON REQUEST Just ask.			




QR CODE

Parishioners can use their smart phones to scan this **QR code** to make donations to any of our weekly collections. These donations can be gift-aided – just following the instructions on the screen. The QR code will take you to our parish **Give A Little** web donation page.

MISSIO RED BOX THANK YOU & APPEAL: This weekend we welcome Fr Joseph Thangaraj Balaswamy MHM, (Mill Hill Missionaries), to give a **Red Box Appeal**. Thank you to parishioners who already give to Missio, the Pope's charity for world Mission. Your generous donations either through the Red Box or Direct Debit support the Church around the World where it is young and in need. **There will not be a second collection as the appeal is for membership to the Red Box scheme.** Please keep the work of Missio and the Mill Hill Missionaries in your prayers. To find out more: www.missio.org.uk

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION: Preparation Sessions, for those enrolled, start **THIS Sunday 5 November at 9.45am in the Hall prior to attending 10.30 mass.** There will be no late admissions. *Any queries please contact Anna- Maria Garzolini on anna-maria@garzolini.co.uk.*

JESUIT MISSIONS PARISH APPEAL – NEXT WEEKEND OF 11/12 NOV: Jesuit Missions is the international mission & development office for the Jesuits in Britain. They support partners in over 20 countries on 3 continents, who are working with some of the most marginalized communities. The range of the projects that JM supports is diverse, including anti-human trafficking, education & environmental sustainability. Lynn McWilliams, Community Engagement Office at JM, will be speaking at Masses to share info about their work. Please give generously! Your donations help to improve the lives of thousands of people around the world.

 **POST 10.30AM TEA, COFFEE & CONVERSATION IN HALL:** All are invited to come and have a cup of coffee/tea, biscuits and a chat. **VOLUNTEERS ARE NEEDED TO SERVE THE DRINKS –** **Sign-up sheets are on the notice board in the hall kitchen. So please do sign up if you want this to continue – Thanks!**

HIRING OUR CHURCH HALL –Our church hall is available to hire for children's parties at the weekends. Sats until 5.30pm and on Suns between 1-6pm. Please note that our hourly rates will be increasing from 1 January 2024. The rate for parishioners will then be £35.00 and for non-parishioners £40.00. ***For any further information please contact Joanne in the parish office.***

GIFT AID – ARE YOU REGISTERED ON THE PARISH SCHEME AS YET? For those not yet on the scheme please do consider joining up. If you are a UK taxpayer, Gift Aid is a great way to make your offertory donation more valuable to CTK by an extra 25%! Also, you have the option of setting up a **Standing Order** which makes it even easier to make a regular contribution to the parish. *Please download & complete the forms which are available on our [website](http://www.christthekingparish.org.uk) - www.christthekingparish.org.uk. Or pick up the form(s) from the Repository table at the Church entrance.* Completed forms can be returned either by email to our parish office or put through the Presbytery door.

SAVE THE DATE(S) – Events in our Church & Church Hall

Christmas Fair: Sat 18 Nov at 11am-3pm (*See separate yellow sheet on newsletter tables for all info & contact details of organisers*)

Seniors' Christmas Lunch: Sun 10 Dec at 2pm in the Hall – Info to follow.

Midnight Mass Scratch Choir Rehearsal: Fri 22 Dec 2-5pm in the Church

Ladies' Dinner: Fri 26 January 8pm in the Hall

Men's Dinner: Fri 2 February 8pm in the Hall. More info to follow on these.

CHRISTMAS FAIR – DONATIONS NEEDED: Over the last four weeks we have asked for donations of **NEW GIFTS, BOTTLES, JEWELLERY & CHRISTMAS ITEMS, BOOKS, DVDs & CDs & Chocolates.** Please can you have a look at home & also consider buying something to contribute when you next do your weekly shop? That would be much appreciated! For next weekend we are asking you for donations of **TOYS that are new or nearly new. Games/puzzles must be complete & sealed so nothing falls out. Soft toys must be BRAND NEW.** Boxes are at the back of the church for donations.

TREE OF PROMISES: Our most popular, highest earning stall. Green sheets explaining more are on the newsletter tables. Please consider making a 'promise' and, if you or a member of your family, know of a business you feel able to ask to donate a voucher/product or other service, such as any children's extracurricular activity.

GRAND CHRISTMAS DRAW: The main prizes will be £250, £100 & £50 Tickets are on sale after masses or just pick up book(s) from back of the church and return completed stubs with cash in an envelope – at weekend masses to the **BLACK BOX**. **Or you can pay via the card machines.** Tickets cost £1 each & £5 for a book. It would be great if each family in the Parish could buy at least one book

CHRISTMAS TREES: We will be ordering high quality non-drop trees to be delivered here to CTK, or for a small fee, to your home, should you wish, on Fri 8 December. **Please pick up an order form this weekend from the newsletter tables.** And why not take a few extra for friends and neighbours too?

NEW PARISHIONERS: Welcome. Please take a Parish Directory Leaflet (light blue). Please also complete Parish Registration & Gift Aid Form at church entrance & return to the Presbytery Letterbox at 9 Crescent Gardens.

BAPTISMS: Please see the poster in lobby for more info.

Please **DO NOT** choose your godparents without consulting Fr Anthony.

MARRIAGES: Please give at least six months' notice.

CTK FACEBOOK GROUP: has **176 members.** It is a private, 'closed' group, so please do ask to join if you are on Facebook, **'Parishioners & Friends of Christ the King, Wimbledon Park'**. **Fr Anthony** helps us know our Faith better by giving each week a very short comment on the various articles of our Faith. Have a look.

