

The Parish of
OUR LADY QUEEN OF PEACE
CHESTERFIELD and DRONFIELD

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THE SOLEMNITY OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST
UNIVERSAL KING

THE PARADOX OF CHRIST'S KINGSHIP

We are gazing at the pivotal moment of human history:
Jesus Christ being crucified on the hill of Calvary.

From one perspective, it is a disastrous event.

It shows mankind rejecting and destroying its creator, saviour and God.
And yet, today is the day when the whole Church, throughout the entire world,
celebrates Christ's universal Kingship.

Aren't kings supposed to be powerful? Aren't kings supposed to be successful?
Aren't kings supposed to be victorious?

So why are we staring at a dying, helpless man hanging from a cross?
Because the cross is our King's throne - Christ reigns not from velvet-covered,
diamond-encrusted, gold-plated seats, like passing earthly kings,
rather, he reigns from the cross.

How does this work?

How can this sign of utter defeat also be the sign of our King's everlasting victory?

This is what Pope John Paul II called the "paradox" of Christ's Kingship.

Christ's Kingdom begins in this world, but it is not of this world.

It begins in the hearts of Christians like us,
his followers, who believe in him and obey him.

The Church and the saints are living signs of this Kingdom,
as buds in springtime are signs of summer.

And so, since his Kingdom transcends this world,
it makes sense that Christ's throne is different from earthly thrones.

Christ's Kingdom is built on the unconquerable power of God's unconditional love
for each one of us.

On the cross Jesus reveals that love by suffering and dying for our salvation,
even while we were still sinners.

In the Resurrection he will reveal that unconquerable power.

And that's why our King reigns from such a throne.

NEW PARISH MASS/DEVOTION SCHEDULE

After consultation, and looking at the various ways in which Parish Life has changed,
we will implement the following program from

Monday 28th November 2022

MONDAY				
12 Noon Holy Mass Annunciation				
TUESDAY				
9.30am Holy Mass Holy Spirit		12 Noon Holy Mass Annunciation		
WEDNESDAY				
<i>11am – 12pm</i> <i>Adoration & Confessions</i> <i>Annunciation</i>		12 Noon Holy Mass Annunciation		<i>6.00pm – 7.00pm</i> <i>Confessions</i> <i>Annunciation</i>
THURSDAY				
9.30am Holy Family Holy Mass		12 Noon Holy Mass Annunciation		
FRIDAY				
12 Noon Holy Mass Annunciation				
SATURDAY				
11.00am Holy Mass Convent	<i>4.30pm</i> <i>Confessions</i> <i>Holy Spirit</i>	5.00pm Holy Mass Holy Spirit	<i>5.0pm</i> <i>Holy Hour &</i> <i>confessions</i> <i>(by appointment)</i> Holy Family	6.30pm Holy Mass Holy Family
SUNDAY				
8.30am Holy Mass Annunciation	10.00am Holy Mass Annunciation	<i>Baptisms by</i> <i>appointment</i> <i>Annunciation</i>	5.00pm Holy Mass Annunciation	

DECEASED PARISHIONERS OF OUR PARISH

A display has been made containing the names of those members of our Parish who died during the Covid-19 Pandemic. Due to the restrictions at the time many of those listed were not afforded the same funerals as we are now fortunate enough to celebrate, and had very few people (if any) in attendance to pray for them. Please remember these parishioners and all our faithful departed in your prayers.

DRONFIELD LIFE LUNCHESES

Holy Spirit Church in partnership with Life Dronfield CIO last week launched LIFE LUNCHESES. These sessions, held at Holy Spirit, church provide a warm space to meet with free/pay what you can refreshments, tea coffee, cakes.
Every Tuesday 10.30-2.00 soup and bread from 12.00 noon.

CHRISTMAS MASS TIMES 2022

Saturday 24th December: Christmas Eve

4.00pm	Vigil Mass	Annunciation
5.00pm	Vigil Mass	Holy Spirit
6.30pm	Vigil Mass	Holy Family
8.30pm	Mass during the Night	Annunciation

Sunday 25th December: Christmas Day

8.00am	Mass at Dawn	Annunciation
9.30am	Mass during the Day	Annunciation
11.00am	Mass during the Day	Annunciation

NO 5.00PM MASS

RED MISSIO BOXES

All boxes now emptied. There are still a few awaiting collection from Annunciation.
Please collect your box as soon as convenient

CHESTERFIELD FOOD BANK

With the cost of living soaring, the demands on the Chesterfield Foodbank are increasing as donations continue to fall. Every week we need to buy between £500 - £700 of food just to stay open (many foodbanks across the country have already had to close). If you are able to make a regular gift to the Foodbank through Direct Debit (no amount too small) please contact Pat or Roisin on 07984 589456. Mary Platts and Lisa Eustace will be running the Reverse Advent Calendar appeal again in December; details to follow!

RED WEDNESDAY AT ST MARIE'S CATHEDRAL

Wednesday 23rd November is Red Wednesday, and as part of Aid to the Church in Need's campaign to "Break the Silence" on the persecution of Christians across the world, churches across the country will be lit up in red. This year, St Marie's Cathedral will be lit in red from 4.30pm. After the 5.30pm Mass, there will be an opportunity to light candles and pray for our persecuted brethren until 9.00pm, with a Holy Hour at 7.00pm. Everyone is welcome! For more information about Red Wednesday, please see <https://acnuk.org/our-campaigns/redwednesday/>.

CHARITY MUSIC NIGHT WITH SALLY GLENNON

Singer-Songwriter Sally Glennon will be performing and entertaining with song on Saturday 3rd December 7.30pm at The Church of the Holy Family, Church Hall, Derby Road. Tickets are £7.00 each and proceeds from the evening will support the work of Mary's Meals. For tickets and/or more information please contact:

Maria on 07796080401

LITURGY TIMES AND INTENTIONS

<p style="text-align: center;">Monday 21st November</p> <p>The Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">12.00noon Annunciation</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Frances Whitworth</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">Tuesday 22nd November</p> <p style="text-align: center;">St Cecilia, Virgin, Martyr</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">12.00noon Annunciation</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Deceased Members of the Catenian Association</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">Wednesday 23rd November</p> <p>Dedication of the Cathedral of St Marie</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">12.00noon Annunciation</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Joshua Crune</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">Thursday 24th November</p> <p>Ss Andrew Dung-Lac, Priest, and Companions, Martyrs</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">12.00noon Annunciation</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">HM Queen Elizabeth II</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">Friday 25th November</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">12.00noon Annunciation</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Graham John Moore</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">Saturday 26th November</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">5.00pm Holy Spirit</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>5.00pm Holy Family</i></p> <p style="text-align: center;">6.30pm Holy Family</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Private Intention</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>Holy Hour</i></p> <p style="text-align: center;">John O'Malley</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">Sunday 27th November</p> <p style="text-align: center;">FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT YEAR A</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">8.30am Annunciation</p> <p style="text-align: center;">10.00am Annunciation</p> <p style="text-align: center;">5.00pm Annunciation</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Holy Souls</p> <p style="text-align: center;">People of the Parish</p> <p style="text-align: center;">For Vocations</p>