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Christ, the Universal King

Weekending 25th/26th November 2023

Mass Times This Week

Saturday Vigil – 5.30p.m. Sunday – 9.30a.m.

Eucharistic Services This Week

Monday 8.30a.m., Tuesday 8.30a.m., Wednesday 8.30a.m.,

Thursday 8.30a.m., Friday 7.00p.m.

Confessions

Saturday 11.30a.m. - 12.00noon

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THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR – (Liturgical)

Sunday **The Feast of Christ the Universal King**
Youth Sunday

Thursday **St Andrew**
St Andrew was one of the Twelve Apostles and who introduced Jesus to his brother, Simon. He also, together with St Philip, introduced the Gentiles to Christ. Finally, he introduced Jesus to the boy in the crowd who had five loaves and two fishes

Sunday **1st Sunday of Advent**

THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR – (Parish)

Saturday **2.00p.m.** *We welcome Joshua Thomas Hibbs into the parish community of St Joseph's, Shaw, on the occasion of his Baptism*

Sunday **10.30a.m.** *Ss Aidan & Oswald's School Christmas Fair incorporating a Coffee Morning (See below)*

7.30p.m. *Alcoholics Anonymous Meeting*

Monday *The Rosary will be recited after the 8.30a.m. Eucharistic Services this week*

Tuesday **2.00p.m.** *Dr Michael Boden's Reception into the Roman Catholic Church*

7.30p.m. *Alcoholics Anonymous Meeting*

Wednesday **8.45a.m.** *Babies' & Toddlers' Group*

Thursday **6.30p.m.** *Mass at St Patrick's, Collyhurst, Manchester in honour of the Apostolic Nuncio (See below)*

7.30p.m. *Alcoholics Anonymous Meeting*

Friday **6.00p.m.** *Holy Hour*

7.00p.m. *Eucharistic Service (First Friday)*

Sunday **10.30a.m.** *Coffee Morning prepared and served by the McGlade family*

10.30a.m. *The Credit Union Office is open*

7.30p.m. *Taize Advent Service (See below)*

7.30p.m. Alcoholics Anonymous Meeting

THE ADVENT EDITION OF WALK WITH ME – is available in the church porches **this weekend** free-of-charge! (Never say I don't ever give you anything!)

THE ADVENT EDITION OF MY DAY BY DAY – is on sale in the *Piety Shop* **this weekend** priced £1.00. (26/11)

THE ADVENT EDITION OF BIBLE ALIVE! - is on sale in the *Piety Shop* **this weekend** priced £3.00. (26/11)

THE NOVEMBER BOOK – is available near the sanctuary steps, for people to write the names of their deceased relatives and friends, whom they wish to be prayed for at Masses throughout November, the month dedicated to praying for the Holy Souls in Purgatory. Names already in the *Book* need not be duplicated. (29/10) (5/11) (12/11) (19/11) (26/11)

CHRISTMAS CARDS & GIFTS – are on sale in the *Piety Shop* **this weekend**. Please find the time to pop in and have a good browse! Whilst it is getting more and more difficult to purchase religious Christmas cards in shops, there are plenty to choose from in our *Shop!* (5/11) (12/11) (19/11) (26/11)

Ss AIDAN & OSWALD'S SCHOOL'S CHRISTMAS FAIR – will take place **today (Sunday)** from 10.30a.m. - 1.30p.m. There will be lots of stalls and games, etc. All proceeds will go to providing funds for much needed books. Although there will not be the usual *Coffee Morning* in the *Community Room* after Mass that day, nevertheless, tea, coffee and mince pies will be available in the new school hall. (12/11) (19/11) (26/11)

HIS EXCELLENCY ARCHBISHOP MIGUEL MAURY BUENDIA - *Apostolic Nuncio to Great Britain*, will make a pastoral visit to *Salford Diocese* on Tuesday and Wednesday. As part of his visit he will celebrate Mass at *St Patrick's, Collyhurst* **on Thursday** at 6:30pm where he will impart an *Apostolic Blessing* on all those present. All are welcome to attend the Mass and there is no need to register. (5/11) (12/11) (19/11) (16/11)

A TAIZE SERVICE FOR ADVENT – will be held, as usual, on the *First Sunday of Advent* at 7.30p.m., *i.e. next Sunday*. For further information please see the notices in the church porches. This special time of prayer and praise is a fitting preparation for the *Holy Season of Christmas*. I hope you will avail yourselves of this opportunity. (19/11) (26/11)

OUR ST VINCENT de PAUL SOCIETY – is hosting another *Saturday Luncheon*, this time on **9th December** in the *Community Room* at 1.00p.m. after the 12.15p.m. *Eucharistic Service*. Everyone is invited and it is free-of-charge! The *Luncheon* will include sandwiches, pastries, cakes, tea, coffee, soft drinks and wine! Anyone who requires transport is invited to telephone the *St Vincent de Paul's* hotline. The number may be found on page 1 of this *Newsletter*. Anyone who would like to provide transport for the guests should telephone the same number. Thank you. (26/11)

AS SALFORD DIOCESE - works to reach its goal of being net zero by 2038, the diocesan environmental team is looking to find out more about the travel patterns of people across the diocese. The team has put together a short survey to find out more about how people travel to and from church and would be very grateful for your response. The survey can be found at <https://forms.gle/skCHYCknBzhDrvbn9>. (26/11)

CARITAS SOCIAL ACTION NETWORK – in partnership with *St John of God Hospitaller Services*, an international Catholic charity, with many services for the vulnerable in the UK and Ireland, are matching Ukrainian people displaced by the brutal war with people in the Catholic community, willing to host them in their homes for six months. If you have room in your home and in your heart to consider welcoming a stranger displaced by war, then they would love to hear from you. For more information please visit: <https://sjog-homesforukraine.uk/> or pick up a leaflet from one of the tables in the church porches.

- There are also some prayer cards on those tables, for invoking the intercession of Our Lady of Kiev. Please feel free to take them and ask Our Lady's help for a solution to the conflict between Ukraine and Russia. (19/11) (26/11)

Keep safe and keep well.

May God bless you and St Aidan and St Oswald pray for you.

Fr Stephen. ©