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Christ the King 22nd November 2020

Due to Covid 19 Restrictions,
we are no longer able to open
for Public Worship!

Our **Church is open** for
Private Prayer on the
following Days & Times:

Monday 9.30am – 12noon

Wednesday 9.30am – 12noon

Friday 9.30am – 12noon

Sunday 10.00am – 12noon

Please observe the safety
guidelines!

Parish Office Opening Hrs

Mon – Fri 9am to 1pm

Saints Days

Mon 23rd - St Clement I &
St Columban

Tue 24th St Andrew Dũng -
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Wed 25th - St Catherine of
Alexandria

Catholic Proficiency Forms -

Will be signed by our Priests
between Monday 7th to Friday
11th December from 3pm to
5pm. Bring your completed
signed forms with you!

To Print:

Catholic Proficiency Forms:
Go to Catholic Education
Service - School Guidance-
Admissions

Sunday Reflection: “Christ is King when mercy rules” – Talk of Kings and Kingdoms in the secular world conjures up notions of Power and Authority over subjects in a defined territory. All of this is dependent on the trappings of Governments and Armed Forces to maintain in place. “The Kingdom of God” is altogether different from those images. In today’s Gospel Matthew gives us a vision of the last judgement when all the Nations are assembled before the judgement seat of Jesus Christ. He alone has the authority to judge and his yardstick is simple – “how did you respond to the human needs before you?” While presented as a last judgement scene, it would be a pity to restrict this to “the Last Judgement”, It is also a first judgement! Elsewhere in the gospel Jesus says, “Whoever gives a cup of cold water to one of those little ones... I tell he shall not lose his reward”. Where Jesus rules, little acts of human kindness have an eternal significance. Jesus is “at home” in a community where basic human needs are met. The requirements for citizenship in his Kingdom are simple. There is no need for prolonged training and academic qualifications. All that is required is that you pay attention to the world around you and respond to the needs that confront you. When the hungry are fed, when the thirsty are given to drink, when strangers are given hospitality, when the naked are covered with dignity, when the sick are attended to and prisoners are visited Jesus is present as King and mercy reigns. Those who respond to these human needs are authentically human, and deeply religious, indeed they are “blessed of the Father”. When you react in that way to the human needs before you, you have glimpsed the broken body of Christ in the human brokenness around you, and you are not far from the Kingdom of God; in fact you are living it.

November Dead Lists – Envelopes are available for your Mass offerings and your list of names of deceased family, friends, and those you wish to remember. Please return envelopes through our letterbox and they will be placed on the Altar for the Month of November when Mass is offered for them daily.

Novena Mass for Christmas/Simbang Gabi – from Tuesday 15th to Wednesday 23rd December Novena Masses will be at 8pm.

RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults) – registration is now open. A course for adults who have not been baptised and would like to be, as well as for Christians of other denominations who would like to be received into the Roman Catholic Church, and Roman Catholics who have not been confirmed. Please email the Parish Office for a registration form.

Confirmation – Details of the Celebration of Programme 2019/2020 will be announced shortly.

First Holy Communion – Dates of registration for our next programme will be announced shortly.