

Christ the King Parish

Lent and Easter 2015

My Dear Parishioners

Lent is a very special season and a real opportunity for us to renew our relationships with Almighty God and each other. Following the success of last year's Parish Retreat, we have arranged another two day Retreat and Mission. This year, David McLoughlin, Senior Lecturer from Newman University in Birmingham will lead two evenings, on Monday 23rd and Tuesday 24th March. We will send out reminders nearer the time. We will also have our service of Healing and Anointing on Sunday 22nd March and will open this up to other Parishes.

During Lent we will have a full programme of events to help us make the most of the Season. We have the "Walk with Me" Prayer Books and Calendars to use each day. It is better to commit to one thing each week and keep to that, rather than taking on too much. There are things on most evenings for those at work during the day, as well as the early morning Masses at 7am (Breakfast to follow). Stations with the school children on Friday afternoons in Church is also very moving. This will be during term time at 2.30pm in both St Augustine's and at Christ the King.

God Bless

Fr Tom

<i>Ash Wednesday Masses:</i>	9.00 am	St Augustine's
	9.15 am	Christ the King
	12 noon	Christ the King
	7.00 pm	Christ the King

**Blessing and Distribution
of Ashes at all Masses**



The weekly programme for Lent will be

<i>Monday Masses</i>	9.15 am	Christ the King	
	7.00pm	Mass with Stations of the Cross (St Augustine's)	
<i>Tuesday Masses</i>	7.00 am	Christ the King (Breakfast after Mass in the Library)	
	9.15 am	Christ the King	
<i>Wednesday Masses</i>	9.00 am	St Augustine's	
	12 noon	Christ the King	
<i>Thursday Masses</i>	7.00 am	Christ the King	
	12 noon	Christ the King	
<i>Friday</i>	9.15 am	Christ the King followed by Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament	
	2.30 pm	Stations of the Cross at St Augustine's Church with the School (term time)	
	2.30 pm	Stations of the Cross at Christ the King Church with School (term time)	
	6.30 pm	Exposition of The Blessed Sacrament and Benediction at Christ the King	
	7.00 pm	Mass with Stations of the Cross at Christ the King	
<i>Saturday Masses</i>	10.00 am	Christ the King	10.30 ~11.30 am Confessions and Holy Hour.
	6.00 pm	Christ the King	7.00pm Confessions after Mass
<i>Sunday Masses</i>	9.00 am	Christ the King	
	10.30 am	St Augustine's	
	12 noon	Christ the King	
	4.00 pm	Stations of the Cross	





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There are booklets for the Stations of the Cross available at the First Station and this is a devotion you can pray on any visit to the Church.
 On Sunday 22nd March at 4.00pm we will have our Anointing of the Sick with Benediction, followed by an Easter Tea at 5.00pm.

On Sunday 29th March (Palm Sunday) at 4.00pm in the Parish Community Centre we will be celebrating a Passover Meal which will explain the link between the Eucharist, the Passover and the message of Holy Week. It will be both a spiritual and social event and you won't have to worry about Sunday lunch on that day if you come along. Suitable for all ages.

Don't forget the Parish Retreat, on Monday, 23rd March and Tuesday 24th March.

HOLY WEEK PROGRAMME

<i>Palm Sunday 29th March</i>		Blessing of Palms and Procession at all Masses	
<i>Saturday</i>	6.00 pm	Christ the King	
<i>Sunday Masses</i>	9.00 am	Christ the King	
	10.30 am	St Augustine's	
	12 noon	Christ the King	
	4.00 pm	Stations of the Cross	
	5.00 pm	Passover Meal in the Parish Centre	
<i>Monday 30th March</i>	7.00 pm	Service of Penance (Confessions with Visiting Priests) at St Augustine's	
<i>Tuesday 31st March</i>	7.00 pm	Service of Penance (Confessions with Visiting Priests) at Christ the King	
<i>Holy Thursday</i>	7.30pm	Mass of the Last Supper, Washing of Feet and Watching until Midnight At Christ the King	
<i>Good Friday</i>	10.00am	Office of Readings and Morning Prayer	
	3.00 pm	Solemn Liturgy of the Passion at Christ the King	
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	7.00 pm	Stations of the Cross and Veneration at Christ the King	
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<i>Holy Saturday</i>	10.00am	Office of Readings and Morning Prayer	
	8.00 pm	Easter Vigil at Christ the King	
		Easter Fire, Renewal of Baptism and Reception of Converts	
<i>Easter Sunday</i>	9.00 am	Easter Mass at Christ the King	
			10.30 am
	Easter Mass at St Augustine's		
	12 noon	Easter Mass at Christ the King	

There should be one thing on this sheet that we can manage to do each week so that we make the most of this Season of grace and receive the new life that God offers each of us at Easter.

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