# SOLEMNITY OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE (LAST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME) YEAR C 23rd NOVEMBER 2025: Mass Time

Sunday 23 <sup>rd</sup> November	11:00 AM	SOLEMNITY OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE	Unknown Soldier +
Tuesday 25 <sup>h</sup> November	9:30 AM	WEEKDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	Deceased family members of Salomon +
Sunday 23 <sup>rd</sup> November	11:00 AM	FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT (YEAR A)	Marie Morrison +



#### Sacrament of Reconciliation

Please feel free to contact Fr. Nnam Di Obi to arrange confession

If Father Obi is not available and a priest is required urgently, please call: St. Mary's: 01793 535089/Holy Rood: 01793 522062/ St. Peter's: 01793871167

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## St Joseph's Catholic Church, Wroughton

We welcome visitors and anyone who is visiting us for the first time. We pray for God's special blessing on you. We wish you a very Happy and Holy worship with us.



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Readings Eucharistic Prayer	Sunday Mass Cycle C: Ordinary Time Week 34 Year 1. Psalter 1		
Entrance Antiphon	How worthy is the Lamb who was slain, to receive power and divinity, and wisdom and strength and honour. To him belong glory and power for ever and ever.		
First Reading	: 2 Samuel 5:1-3		
Psalm Response	Let us go rejoicing to the house of the Lord.		
Second Reading	: Colossians 1:12-20		
Gospel Acclamation	Alleluia, alleluia! Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord! Blessed is the coming Kingdom of our father David! Alleluia!		
Gospel	: Luke 23:35-43		
Communion Antiphon	The Lord sits as King for ever. The Lord will bless his people with peace.		

#### THIS SUNDAY'S READINGS

1st Reading

They anointed David king over Israel.

2<sup>nd</sup> Reading

He has transferred us to the kingdom of his beloved Son.

Gospel

Lord, remember me when you come into your kingdom.

This is the Last Sunday of the liturgical year.

Next Sunday will be the first week of Advent. We celebrate today, the Solemnity of Jesus Christ, The King of the Universe.

The people of old, at the time of Samuel, longed for a human King - a political leader. It was an honest yearning, but they were reminded that human leadership comes with human imperfections. David was the people's unanimous choice.

In our own time - God has come down himself to be the shepherd, in the person of his Son Jesus Christ. He is the ideal Priest, Prophet and King.

His own kingship is different from the world's. He is the Servant King.

The homage he demands is not servitude or slavery.

He calls us to be free to serve each other.

This homage is to treat others the way we would want to be treated. Only those who would pay him sincere homage, by loving God and others, would be admitted to his eternal kingdom. May we hear those final words at the end of time, "Today, you will be with me in paradise."

## SECOND COLLECTION: TODAY 23rd NOVEMBER IS FOR CATHOLIC YOUTH

**CHRISTMAS CARDS ARE NOW AVAILABLE:** We are selling our beautiful Christmas cards now! Get into the holiday spirit and send warm wishes to your loved ones with these festive designs. Available for a limited time. Don't miss out on the chance to spread some cheer this season!

**Bible Alive invites you to "Step into Scripture:** The Christmas Story," a series of meditations on the Christmas story, beginning this week. Join us on Wednesday, 26th November, at 2:30 PM in St. Jo's Parish Room. The cost is £8.99, and all are welcome to attend. Refreshments will be provided, so come along for a time of reflection and fellowship as we prepare for the Advent season. For more details, contact **Diana on 07813 940076**.

ACHIEVE AFRICA CHRISTMAS LUNCH 2025: The Annual Achieve Africa Pre Christmas Lunch will take place on Sunday, 14th December 2025, from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. at Holy Family Primary School. This special event offers an opportunity to come together in the spirit of Christmas to share joy, fellowship, and generosity. Tickets will be available after Mass, and proceeds will go toward supporting children in need. Your participation and kindness will help make this Christmas a brighter and more hopeful season for many. Thank you for your continued support of Achieve Africa.

**MASSES:** Feast of Saint Francis Xavier is on Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> Dec. at 9am and 6:30pm. Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary on Monday 8<sup>th</sup> Dec. at 6.30 pm in Holy Family Church.

Mary's Yes – An Advent Day of Reflection: Mary's personal story is more fully told than that of any other follower of Jesus except Peter. If Peter illustrates for us our weakness and ability to fail yet still be welcomed by God, Mary's story lays before us just how costly saying "Yes!" to God can be. We are invited to place our own story alongside hers and see what we can learn about the effects of an intervening God let loose in our lives. Our Advent Day of Reflection will offer us a chance to reflect and pray about the significance of Our Lady's response to the Angel when she said 'Yes' to becoming the mother of God. Together, we will explore how we respond to God's invitation in our own life and the challenges and joys it can bring. This will take place on Saturday 6 December at the Apostle Room, Cathedral Church of St Peter & St Paul. Please contact us at: adult.education@cliftondiocese.com

**THE CATHEDRAL MASS:** Bishop Bosco will be celebrating Mass in the Cathedral on Saturday 14th February (12 noon) and is inviting all families to join him to acknowledge the joys & challenges of family life. In addition, we will celebrate those couples with significant anniversaries in 2026. If you are, or know of a couple, celebrating a special anniversary during 2026 please do let us know. You just need to send names to: adult.education@cliftondiocese.com with an address so that a personal invitation can be sent out from the bishop. Please include the number of years celebrating. It is always a wonderful to have Mass at the Cathedral, we look forward to seeing you there.

**FIRST HOLY COMMUNION**: The date for First Holy Communion 2026 is on Saturday 6th June 2026 at 11:00am and Sunday 7th June at 2pm. There will be a meeting for the Catechists, parents and children for First Holy Communion on 13th Dec. at 10am.

**CONFIRMATION**: The date for the Sacrament of Confirmation in 2026 is on Tuesday 9th June 2026 at 7:00pm. This will be held at Holy Family Church.

**PARKING**: At busy times, such as Sunday Mass, do consider parking in the free public car park in the Ellendune Centre, when the Church car park is full. Please keep the roads and pavements near the Church clear and avoid blocking people's residence and shops.

**TEA & COFFEE :** Tea & Coffee will be served in the Parish Hall after mass on Sundays and Tuesdays

**PARISH ACCOUNT DETAILS** 

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<u>Anniversaries</u>: We pray for the dead, and those who have died recently and all whose anniversaries occur at this time. May they rest in peace. Amen.

<u>Diocesan Prayer Link:</u> English Martyrs, Chard, with Crewkerne & Ilminster

<u>Pope's Message:</u> Throughout November, our pope's prayer intention is for the prevention of suicide. Let us pray that those who are struggling with suicidal thoughts might find the support, love, care they need in their community, and be open to the beauty of life.