

CHURCH OF OUR LADY MOTHER OF DIVINE GRACE, Raheny

Sunday 24th November 2019 Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe
Cycle C Week 2



Confessions: After 10:00 a.m. Mass on Friday (Except during Funerals) and on request.

New selection of Mass cards available from the Parish office, 10am to noon, Monday to Friday.

Eucharistic adoration after 10am mass on Thursday only. Free Parking

Annual Crosscare Food Appeal starts next weekend. Crosscare are requesting donations of non perishable food items and toiletries to stock the food banks. Items can be left in the parish office. Your generosity would be most appreciated.

St Francis Hospice

We are looking for Home Visit volunteers to join our team. The role would be to visit patients in their own homes, to sit and have a chat or bring them out into the community. The time commitment is 2 hours once a week. If you are interested please contact Brenda / Joyce on 01 8327535 01 8294000 or email volunteers@sfh.ie Thank you

Manresa, the Jesuit Centre for Spirituality, Clontarf is holding a number of evenings of prayer and reflection in the run up to Christmas. Please check Manresa.ie for further details.

Many thanks for your generous contributions to last weekend's collections.

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Christ the King

This is the final Sunday of Year C and as we draw to a close our reading of Luke's Gospel we hear the account of Jesus' crucifixion. It is the Feast of Christ the King and this Gospel certainly gives us an opportunity to lay aside a lot of cultural baggage we may have about kings, leaders and kingdoms. Jesus' kingdom is unlike the one that Pilate, or many other earthly leaders know. It is a kingdom built on love, service, justice, reconciliation and peace. Few 'kings' can measure up to this: responding to violence with forgiveness, giving those with no hope a reason to hope, putting the crisis of the world before financial gain or power. Who do you know in our world today who is the more living example of this type of kingship, making daily sacrifices in endless service to those around them?

We hear much about the climate crisis in our world today, the loss of bio-diversity, the breakdown of our ecosystems and the lack of political will to embrace the solutions that are available. This is due to greed and the powerful influence of so called leaders. Once again many will gather in Chile next month for the 25th UN Conference on Climate Change. We must pray for them, that they will be courageous and put the future of our environment above financial gain and lead for the best interests of our world and for the generations to come.

Today's Gospel gives a powerful image of Jesus as servant King, shining like a beacon of light for society in today's world.

'The power of truth, of honesty, of forgiveness – with no frills! How different the world would be if it was governed by this kind of power.' Michel de Verteuil

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MASS INTENTIONS

Vigil	6.00pm	Tom Considine (1st Anniv.) Jennifer Brady (Anniv.) Laura Brady (Anniv.) Michael and Eugene Hogan (Anniv.) Special Intentions
Sun	8.30am	John Hogan (R. D.) Josephine Nangle (R.D.) Ellen and James Byrne (Anniv.) Nuala O'Toole (Anniv.)
	10.00am	Mervyn Reid (1st Anniv.) Mary Kennedy (Remembrance)
	11.30am	Paddy Farrell (Anniv.) Mick and Mabel Morrissey (Anniv.) Deirdre O'Gorman (Anniv.) Michael O'Connor (Anniv.) Seamus Byrne and all deceased members of the Byrne family (Anniv.) Robert McMahon (B. Rem.)
Mon.	10.00am	Parishioners Intentions
Tues.	10.00am	Health Intentions
Wed.	10.00am	Christy Kennedy (Rem.)
Thurs.	10.00am	Jimmy Galvin (R.D.)
Fri.	10.00am	Mary Holly (Momth's Mind)

We pray for the happy repose of the souls of **Joe Rush** and **Peig King** whose funerals took place this week. We also remember those who died recently and whose anniversaries occur at this time. May they rest in peace. AMEN.

Feast Days this week

Saturday 30th November, St. Andrew

Next Sunday's readings : First Sunday of Advent

Is 2:1-5. Ps 121:1-2. 4-5, 6-9, R/ cf. v 1. Rm 13:11-14. Mt 24:37-44.