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FEAST OF CHRIST THE KING – YOUTH SUNDAY - Divine Office Week 2

Retiring Collection for Youth Sunday

Sunday 22 November	**10.30am Mass** Holy Souls ***Children's Liturgy of the Word 10.30am*** **6.30pm Mass** Holy Souls
Monday 23 November *St Clement I, Pope and Martyr or St Columban, Abbot*	**12noon Mass** Holy Souls
Tuesday 24 November *St Andrew Dung-Lac, Priest and Companions, Martyrs*	**8.45am Morning Prayer** **9.00am Mass** Holy Souls
Wednesday 25 November *St Catherine of Alexandria, Virgin and Martyr*	**8.45am Morning Prayer** **9.00am Mass** Holy Souls
Thursday 26 November	**8.45am Morning Prayer** **9.00am Mass** Holy Souls
Friday 27 November	***No Morning Prayer or Mass***
Saturday 28 November	**8.40am Rosary for Vocations** **9.00am Mass** Holy Souls **Mass followed by Exposition**

Confessions - Saturdays after 9.00am Mass (9.40am-10.15am approx);
Sundays 10.00am-10.30am; 6.00pm-6.30pm and after both Masses.
After weekday Masses by arrangement by contacting Mgr Gerard.
I realise that many are unable to come on Saturdays or weekdays so I hope this helps. ***Mgr Gerard***

Saturday's Rosary now begins at 8.40am

THOUGHT FROM THICKET – 22 November- Christ the King

"Christ reigns wherever there are men and women capable of loving and caring for others. Let's not forget the words of St. John of the Cross:
'*When evening comes, you will be examined in love.*
Learn to love as God desires to be loved and abandon your own ways of acting.'"
(Bishop Silvio José Báez, OCD)
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Due to building work there is no parking at church this Sunday

ADVENT – the word comes from the Latin word for coming. We're awaiting the coming of Jesus Christ. We're awaiting the wonder, the miracle of God becoming flesh; the Son of God being born of a woman; the Word who came to live a sinless life in a sinful world.

We're awaiting in expectant wonder, this is the cry of Advent in the midst of a world that seems to have lost much of its ability to wonder, ponder or stand in awe. Seemingly we've seen it all. Often we're too busy for moments of amazement.

I see the Christmas markets in York are now open, and all the shops are full of Christmas cheer in preparation for the season of Christmas.

Are we ready for a season of wonder? Will you join the caravan to Bethlehem in preparing once again to receive and welcome the Child who welcomes you?

We prepare in Advent by going to confession and coming to Mass and making sure that we put a crib up as well as Christmas trees and the tinsel! ***Enjoy this Advent season. Mgr Gerard.***

FAIRTRADE STALL CHRISTMAS SPECIAL – TODAY: The stall will be available after both Masses for the sale of Advent Calendars, Christmas Cards, baubles, Christmas chocolates and sweets, gifts, dates, socks and Palestinian goods. A quantity of the usual goods will be available but not on display.

TEA/COFFEE next Sunday and every two weeks after our Sunday morning Mass. It is a good time to chat and meet new people; all proceeds go to help the children in St George's School. Thank you to the volunteers who are willing to support and help.

CALLING ALL MUSICIANS: I would like to **build** on the music ministry here at St George's Church on Sundays by inviting those that can play a musical instrument – guitar, keyboard, violin – any musical instrument - to develop a St George's music group for mainly the Sunday evening Mass, but more musicians could also join the musicians on Sunday mornings. I have a spare guitar, we already have keyboards so don't be shy and please come forward to have a word with me. It would be awesome to develop a music group to enhance our liturgy on Sundays. ***Mgr Gerard.***

CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD (CLOW): This is a special part of the Mass for children aged 3-8 years. They leave the main assembly before the scripture readings to hear, understad and respond to the Sunday gospel in a way suited to their age. ***Why it matters –*** Through an engaging, age-appropriate approach CLOW helps children to participate more fully in the Liturgy of the Word. It prepares them to keep listening and responding to God's Word – in worship and everyday life as they grow in age, grace and wisdom. ***A warm welcome –*** The CLOW team warmly welcomes more young children to join the sessions - it was good to see the number of children at recent sessions and hope it will continue. ***The CLOW Team.***

THE WELL – A DAY OF REFLECTION FOR CATECHISTS: Catechists are warmly invited to The Well, a day of reflection, prayer and renewal at Thicket Priory, York, on Saturday 30 January 2027, from 10.30am to 3.00pm. Led by Nicola Sweetman and Bernadette Murray, the day will provide an opportunity to pause, pray and be refreshed alongside other catechists from across the Diocese. Please bring a packed lunch; refreshments will be provided. There is no charge for the day. For further information or to register, contact adultformation@rcdmidd.org.uk.

ST BEDE'S PASTORAL CENTRE: For information about St Bede's Autumn Programme now underway email fiona@stbedes/org.uk, 21 Blossom St, York YO24 1AQ; 01904 464900.
Coming up or ongoing: Online Guided Prayer; Reading Christian Classics; Words for the Soul (usually first Tuesday of month); Worship on Wednesdays (second Wednesday of month); Wintering; Breathing Underwater; The First Christmas (Wed 25 Nov);
Hope and Harmony Singing Day (Sat 28 Nov). *Full details of the courses are available pinned to the notice board at the back of church.*

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WELCOME - if you are a visitor or a guest of a family, we are pleased to have you join us today. Also, if you are new in the area, please let us know by speaking to Mgr Gerard or to one of the welcomers.

God Bless - *Mgr Gerard*

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