



## SACRED HEART CHURCH

41 Thirsk Road  
Northallerton DL6 1PJ

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### Mission Statement

*Sacred Heart is a Catholic Christian Community, commissioned by Baptism, nourished by the Eucharist and empowered by the Holy Spirit, in bearing witness to our faith in Jesus Christ as we strive to live by his Gospel in loving service of one another and of our neighbour, building up His Kingdom to the greater glory of God.*

## Christ the King Year B

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Weekend Masses at 6pm on Saturday and 10am on Sunday.

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament 4.45-5.45pm on Saturday.

Sacrament of Reconciliation: 11-11.30am & 5.15-5.45pm on Saturday

Morning Prayer of the Church: 9.15am on Mon, Tues, Thurs and Fri.

Office Week 2 Year 1

### Mass Time

### Mass Intentions

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| <b>Saturday</b> | 6pm }  | Christ the King   | Holy Souls           |
| <b>Sunday</b>   | 10am } | Christ the King   | Holy Souls           |
| <b>Monday</b>   | 9.30am | Eucharistic Service (Feria - 34 <sup>th</sup> Week of the Year) |                      |
| <b>Tuesday</b>  | 9.30am | SS Andrew Dung-Lac & Companions                                 | People of the Parish |
| <b>Thursday</b> | 9.30am | Feria   | Holy Souls           |
| <b>Friday</b>   | 9.30am | Feria   | Holy Souls           |
| <b>Saturday</b> | 6pm }  | 1 <sup>st</sup> Sunday of Advent (Year C)                       | Holy Souls           |
| <b>Sunday</b>   | 10am } | 1 <sup>st</sup> Sunday of Advent                                | People of the Parish |

**Collection** - Last Week's Collection was £427.76 Thank You.

### **Welcome**

A warm welcome to Fr Patrick Cope who is saying the two weekend Masses.

### **Parish Christmas Fundraiser**

There are some more Smartie Tubes at the back of the Church for those who have missed out so far. Please return them on or before December 20<sup>th</sup> to the "Noel" box in the Church porch or posted through the Presbytery letter box. This has been very well supported in previous years thanks to the wonderful generosity of parishioners. Thank you.

### **Knitting for Africa**

Do you have any unwanted balls or scraps of wool? Lady living in the Parish knits for destitute Aids Babies and Orphans in Zimbabwe and South Africa. Garments would be displayed before despatch in March/April 2010. If you have any unused or donated wool please telephone 01609 760771. Thank You . Your generosity is very much appreciated.

### **Women Churches Together**

There will be a pre-Advent Service on Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> November at 2.15pm in the Sacred Heart Church. If you can offer help of any kind eg welcoming, reading, baking cakes, tidying up in the Hall afterwards, etc, please telephone Claire Binns on 774458 or Flora James on 776044. Many thanks. All Welcome.

### **Advance Notice of Mass of Anointing of the Sick**

On Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> December, in addition to the 10am Mass and the 6pm Saturday Mass there will be a third Mass in our Church at 2pm which will include the Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick. This will take place after the homily. Anyone is welcome to attend this Mass (which obviously fulfils the Sunday Obligation), and anyone who is sick or aged or infirm may receive the Sacrament of the Sick. The newly re-created Society of Vincent de Paul in the Parish are arranging for a number of housebound in the Parish to come. If you know of anyone in the Parish who may wish to receive this Sacrament please bring them along. There will be refreshments in the Church Hall after Mass till 4pm.

### **Hymn Books**

If anyone would like to dedicate one of the Hymn Books to a loved one, particularly during the month of November, there are still some Hymn Books without a dedication. Sponsoring a Hymn book is the cost of the Hymn Book ie £5.

### **Assisted Suicide**

The director of Public Prosecutions (DPP) has published guidelines governing the prosecution of cases of assisting suicide. It is very important that Catholics should know what these guidelines say and make their views known to the DPP. A short briefing note "**Having your say on assisting suicide**" can be found in the Church Porch explaining what this is all about and what you can do about it. There are also details online at [www.catholicchurch.org.uk](http://www.catholicchurch.org.uk)

### **Meditation**

Pope Pius XI universally instituted The Feast of Christ the King in 1925 in his encyclical *Quas Primas*. Pope Pius connected the denial of Christ as king to the rise of secularism. At the time of *Quas Primas*, secularism was on the rise, and many Christians, even Catholics, were doubting Christ's authority, as well as the Church's, and even doubting Christ's existence. Pius XI, and the rest of the Christian world, witnessed the rise of dictatorships in Europe, and saw Catholics being taken in by these earthly leaders. Just as the Feast of Corpus Christi was instituted when devotion to the Eucharist was at a low point, the Feast of Christ the King was instituted during a time when respect for Christ and the Church was waning, when the feast was most needed. In fact, it is still needed today, as these problems have not vanished, but instead have worsened.

Pope Pius hoped the institution of the feast would have various effects. They were:

1. That nations would see that the Church has the right to freedom, and immunity from the state (*Quas Primas*, 32).
2. That leaders and nations would see that they are bound to give respect to Christ (*Quas Primas*, 31).
3. That the faithful would gain strength and courage from the celebration of the feast, as we are reminded that Christ must reign in our hearts, minds, wills, and bodies (*Quas Primas*, 33).

### **Humour**

Church Bulletin Bloomers -  
Low Self Esteem Support Group will meet this Thursday at 7pm.  
Please use the back door.

***God Bless You All, Fr James***