



St. Paul's Parish Ayrfield

Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe – C

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Pastors Desk

Thinking of the end of time and what it could mean for each of us is not something that's discussed very often these days. What will happen to us? How can we best prepare for that time or moment in our lives? Today our Gospel seeks to direct our thoughts on the subject by drawing our attention to the last moments of Christ's earthly life. We hear how he is condemned to death on the cross for claiming to be a King. Ironically the only crown he wore was the one made for him out of some thorny branches. They had written and placed the sign 'Jesus of Nazareth, King of the Jews' over his head.

While the Kings of this earth might rule from a palace here in complete contrast, we have Christ the King

reigning from the cross. His invitation was simply that people would give their hearts and minds and follow him freely, living their lives according to his word.

In our busy lives and world, we can easily lose sight of the truth that Heaven is our Final destination. Today's Feast is that gentle reminder or invitation to start living our lives the way Jesus taught us to live them and bring about a change of heart. His own lifestyle of service to others and respect for all should be the only inspiration we need to work hard to create a world of justice, love, compassion and peace for all in society.

Each of us is invited to make him King of our hearts and our lives in all matters.

Fr. Gerry.

Do This In Memory Programme

At 12:30pm Family Mass this Sunday, we welcome the children who are preparing for their First Holy Communion and their families for the "Do This In Memory" programme. During the month of November we have been remembering those who have gone before us. The leaves that the children will bring with them to this Mass serve to remind us of death and more importantly, of the promise of new life.

Note: We remind children who have not made their First Holy Communion yet to come up to the priest for a blessing at communion time with their hands crossed in front of their chest to signify this.



Learning About The Mass With Kath And Qumen

WHO DOES WHAT AT MASS? At every Mass you will notice that some members of the assembly have different jobs. We call these jobs 'ministries'. Let's look at some more of them:

MINISTER OF THE WORD: Even though we sometimes call this person the reader, the proper name is 'Minister of the Word'. The readings of Mass come from the Bible. They are the Word of God and so we can say that we hear God speaking to us through the voice of the Minister of the Word.

THE COLLECTORS: The people who collect our gift of money during Mass.

THE MINISTER OF THE EUCHARIST: The person who helps to give out communion at Mass. They sometimes bring communion to those who are unable to come to Mass because they are sick.

MUSIC: Many parishes have choirs – groups of people who sing at Mass. Their singing helps the whole assembly to pray and we are all encouraged to join with the choir.

ARRIVING IN THE CHURCH

Usually when we come into God's house we bow our heads or go down on one knee. This is called '**genuflection**'. It shows respect and love for Jesus. We genuflect or bow in front of the tabernacle, the special place where Jesus is present at all times. There will be a red light near the tabernacle, called the Sanctuary Lamp. This light tells us that Jesus, the Blessed Sacrament, is present inside. The Blessed Sacrament is another name for Jesus.



Mass Times

Saturday : 6 pm Vigil
Sundays : 10:30 am & 12:30 pm
Weekdays : Mon, Wed, Thu & Fri. 10 am
Service of the Word with Communion : Tuesday 10am

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Dates For Your Diary :

Ministers of the Word and Eucharist

Fr. Gerard Deegan would like to invite all Ministers of the Word and the Eucharist to a **Mass this Tuesday 26th November at 8pm** in the Parish Church and will have a **short meeting and a cup of tea afterwards.**



Annual Christmas Carol Service

Our Annual Christmas Carol Service, which is a festive highlight for many, will take place on **Wednesday, 11th**



December at 7:30pm in St. Paul's Church, Ayrfield. This Carol Service heralds the arrival of Christmas with classic carols, seasonal reflection, nativity play performed by children from St. Paul's Senior school and our parish choirs will be singing a selection of seasonal favourites.



Carol Singing for S.V.P.

You local conference of St. Vincent De Paul are carol singing on **Friday 6th December in Clarehall Shopping Center, from 3pm – 6pm.** They are looking for singers, musicians and collectors to join them on the day.



The Capuchin Day Centre Carol Singing for the Homeless

This Annual event will take place outside the **G.P.O. on Saturday 7th December** from 9am – 6pm. Singers, musicians and especially collectors are welcome. **Ayrfield singers** will be there from **11am – 12pm.** For more details, parishioners wishing to join in the singing can contact **Joe Kelly** on **086 2619 113** and collectors can contact **Claire Cusack** at **087 2326911.**

Ayrfield Parish

Grand Christmas Hamper Draw

Lots of Turkey & Ham Prizes

Draw Takes Place on Sunday 15th December 2019



Tickets €5 each or Book of 5 for €20, available from the sacristy and Parish Office. Please take a book between family and friends.

All Proceeds go to our Local St. Vincent De Paul.

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St. Paul's live stream our mass service on the internet. See our notice board for more information on connecting to our live streaming or connect to the link above

*We remember at Mass
and in our prayers
those who
have gone before us*



Saturday 23rd

(Vigil Mass)

6:00 pm

Breda Cantwell

Anniversary

Sunday 24th

10:30 am

Paul Martin

3rd Anniversary

Sunday 24th

12:30 pm

Joe Carey

Recently Deceased

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*Your prayers are also requested for the  
happy repose of the soul of  
**Harry James** recently deceased.*

Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup>

10:00 am

**Kathleen Walsh**

Anniversary

*May they rest in peace. Amen*

### Share Appeal Sunday - November 24<sup>th</sup>

**Share, the second collection,** is an expression of the communion of the faithful between all the parishes of the Archdiocese of Dublin. Thank You for your contributions throughout the year, your support for share each week is critical to sustain the life & mission of our church into the future. A copy of the Share Newsletter is available on the church stands.

### November List of the Dead

Spare envelopes are available on both church stands. These envelopes with completed lists and offerings can be returned to the church and placed in the boxes provided or given to your outdoor collector.

### The Irish Catholic Newspaper

is available on the church stands - €2 each

### Christmas Mass Bouquet Cards

are available in the Sacristy, €5 each.



**Notice to Coeliacs:** *If you have been advised to abstain from Gluten, at communion time, there will be a ciborium placed on a small table at the side of the altar containing consecrated hosts with very low traces of gluten in them. You are invited to help yourself to receive this instead of the congregation hosts.*