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Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe – 20th November 2022 1st Reading – 2 Samuel 5:1-3 Psalm – I rejoiced when I heard them say: 'Let us go to God's house.' 2nd Reading – Colossians 1:12-20 Gospel – Luke 23:35-43

Second Collection this <u>Sunday 20th November</u> will be for the Catholic Youth Service. Thank you in advance for your generosity.

Advent – Next weekend we begin the joyful season of Advent in preparation for the celebration of Jesus' birth. Going to confession is a great way of preparing ourselves for Christmas. Don't worry if you haven't been in a while, or feel a bit scared, or have been put off by a bad experience in the past. The Lord is waiting.

Walk with me booklets for Advent and children's Advent calendars are available in the church porch. Please take one per family.

Dead Lists – lists are available from the back of the church. Please take one and fill in with names of your deceased family and friends you wish the friars to pray for during the month November. A mass will be offered daily throughout the month for the deceased on the dead lists. The chapel dedicated to Our Lady at the back of the church will be a place where you can leave pictures/memorial cards of your departed loved ones.

First Holy Communion – please note that you have only a few weeks to register your child/children for First Holy Communion. Please fill in the form which you can find on the website under the Sacraments heading or speak to Br. Martin.

There will be a meeting with parents on <u>Saturday 10th December</u> at 9am in the parish hall. The course itself will begin 7th January 2023. The course is for children who attend year 3 to 6 of primary school.

Confirmation – please remember to register your child/children as the course will begin in January. It is for children who attend year 6 primary school onwards. Please fill in the form which you can find on the website under the sacraments heading on the home page or speak to Br. Martin.

Oxford Gatehouse – Reminder: this is the last week for collecting tokens. We have been chosen as a finalist for the Gannett Foundation which is very exciting so we now need some more of your help!

Tokens will be printed in the Oxford Mail from <u>24th Oct to 20th Nov</u> which we need to collect and the more we collect, the more share of the money we will get! Those tokens need to be dropped off at collecting points which should include supermarkets etc. and one of the collection points is the Gatehouse. They will shortly be dropping off collection boxes for us to put the tokens in.

Please, please all help us to win a share of the money by purchasing the paper and dropping the tokens in too us!

https://www.oxfordmail.co.uk/news/23068191.oxford-mail-giving-away-share-128k-local-charities/

Greyfriars School Christmas Fayre is on <u>Saturday 10 December 22 from 11-2pm</u> To help make this event really special for our children and the community we would really appreciate your support. We already have Santa and the Elf! There is still a lot of work to do, if you would like to help or donate items for stalls please contact Sophie Upellini on: <u>s.upellini@gfcs.uk</u>

Greyfriars Carol Service – date for diary – the carol service will be held on <u>Sunday</u> <u>18th December</u> at 3pm, followed by mince pies and mulled wine in the Church Hall. More details to follow.

Christian meditation continues this November: *Reflecting on Sacred Scripture* using both *Apophatic* and *Imaginative* methods. To be held in Greyfriars Friary, <u>Wednesdays at 7pm</u>. To book your place or check availability, please email <u>iffleycross@gmail.com</u>.

Books from Brs. Ambrose and Charles R.I.P. are available in the Church Hall to go to good homes. There is a selection of religious and non-religious books.

Homes for Ukraine Matching Service – Caritas Social Action Network, in partnership with St John of God Hospitaller Services, an international Catholic charity with many services for the vulnerable in the UK and Ireland, have launched a service to bring together Ukrainian people displaced by the brutal war in their country with people in the Catholic community willing to host them in their homes for six months. Once the match is confirmed the Ukrainian guest can apply for their visa. We know that coping with the cost-living crisis will be the main concern for many people for this winter, but if you have room in your home and in your heart to consider welcoming a stranger displaced by war, then we'd love to hear from you. Please visit <u>https://sjog-homesforukraine.uk/</u> for more information.

Refreshments after Mass – please join us in the Church Hall for tea, coffee and a chance to meet other parishioners, after 9am and 11am masses. All welcome.

Intercessory Prayer Group If you would like us to pray for somebody or for anything else, please email <u>GreyfriarsIntercessoryPrayer@gmail.com</u> or phone 07384 116920. All requests will be treated in strictest confidence.

Parish cleaners - Thank you to those who work tirelessly in keeping our church and sacristy clean and sparkling. This week is the turn of the travelling community.

Parish Donations

Collection Last Week: £331.97 St Anthony's Bread (SAB) for the poor £31.20 Gift Aid: £47.02

Thank you for your generosity and support of our parish, and also to those of you who also contribute on-line.

Please pray for those members of our community who are sick, especially <u>Therese O'Malley, Linda Parrott, Aline Beaupiere, Margaret Corcoran, Oonagh</u> <u>Clarkson, Albert Paintin, Bernadette O'Reilly.</u> If you are aware of somebody in our community who is sick and in need of our prayers, please ask them to contact the parish or let us have their contact details.

Sunday 20 th November 2022 Christ the King (Year C)		
6.30 p.m. (Sat)	Parishioners	
9.00 a.m.	Lelobau family R.I.P.	
11.00 a.m.	Ladislav Nagy R.I.P.	
5.30 p.m.	Trevor Dean R.I.P.	
Monday 21 st		The presentation of the Blessed Virgin
7.30 a.m.	Tom, Christopher, Eileen, Shenade, Tana and Mikey Int.	
Tuesday 22 nd Nov		
7.30 a.m.	Martin Maugham Int.	
Wednesday 23 rd		
7.30 a.m.	Raymond Keown R.I.P.	
Thursday 24 th		All souls of the Seraphic Order
7.30 a.m.	Thomas' Int.	
Friday 25 th		
7.30 a.m.	Joe's Winnie Joyce R.I.P.	
Saturday 26 th		St Leonard of Port Maurice
8.00 a.m.	Br. Antonio's Int.	
6.30 p.m. (Vigil)	Deceased members of the Legion of Mary	
Sacrament of Penance: Saturdays 11am-12noon, 5.30pm-6.15pm and by		

appointment.