



# The Parish of Thorpe St Andrew

## Weekly News with Service Sheet 22 November 2020: Christ the King



### **A king to reign in our hearts**

This Sunday is the last Sunday in the liturgical year. We begin afresh next Sunday with the First Sunday in Advent. As is the custom now, on this last Sunday we celebrate the feast of Jesus Christ our King. The Jesus we have watched and heard in our Gospel readings throughout the year, going around the towns of Galilee, teaching, healing, consoling and liberating is our Lord and King. He is the visible presence of God in our midst. His kingdom is like no other and he reigns over it with an expectation that his subjects will behave in the same loving way as he does so that the standards for this kingdom are not based on wealth and prosperity but on how we treat others. When we reach out with hands to feed the hungry, to welcome the stranger, to clothe the naked and to visit the sick and those imprisoned we too will be joined into his kingdom: 'Truly, I tell you, just as you did it to one of the least of these brothers and sisters of mine, you did it to me.' God bless you all, *Fr James*



# THE EUCHARIST FOR The Feast of Christ the King



## Organ Music

**Welcome** *Words of welcome to the congregation and those watching online.*

## Hymn

**Make way, make way, for Christ the King in splendour arrives.  
Fling wide the gates and welcome him into your lives.**

***Refrain: Make way! Make way! For the King of kings!  
Make way! Make way! And let his kingdom in!***

**He comes the broken hearts to heal, the prisoners to free.  
The deaf shall hear, the lame shall dance, the blind shall see.**

***Refrain: Make way! Make way! For the King of kings!  
Make way! Make way! And let his kingdom in!***

**And those who mourn with heavy hearts, who weep and sigh;  
With laughter, joy and royal crown he'll beautify.**

***Refrain: Make way! Make way! For the King of kings!  
Make way! Make way! And let his kingdom in!***

**We call you now to worship him as Lord of all.  
To have no other gods but him: their thrones must fall!**

***Refrain: Make way! Make way! For the King of kings!  
Make way! Make way! And let his kingdom in!***

## The Greeting

In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

## Prayers of Penitence

Christ calls us to share the heavenly banquet of his love with all the saints in earth and heaven. Knowing our unworthiness and sin, let us ask from him both mercy and forgiveness.

**O King enthroned on high, filling the earth with your glory: holy is your name, Lord God almighty. In our sinfulness we cry to you to take our guilt away, and to cleanse our lips to speak your word, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

Almighty God, who forgives all who truly repent, have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and keep you in life eternal; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

## **Gloria in excelsis**

**Glory to God in the highest, and peace to his people on earth. Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father, we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory. Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us; you are seated at the right hand of the Father: receive our prayer. For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen.**

## **The Collect**

Eternal Father, whose Son Jesus Christ ascended to the throne of heaven that he might rule over all things as Lord and King: keep the Church in the unity of the Spirit and in the bond of peace, and bring the whole created order to worship at his feet; who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

## **Reading** Ephesians 1:15-23

I have heard of your faith in the Lord Jesus and your love toward all the saints, and for this reason I do not cease to give thanks for you as I remember you in my prayers. I pray that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give you a spirit of wisdom and revelation as you come to know him, so that, with the eyes of your heart enlightened, you may know what is the hope to which he has called you, what are the riches of his glorious inheritance among the saints, and what is the immeasurable greatness of his power for us who believe, according to the working of his great power. God put this power to work in Christ when he raised him from the dead and seated him at his right hand in the heavenly places, far above all rule and authority and power and dominion, and above every name that is named, not only in this age but also in the age to come. And he has put all things under his feet and has made him the head over all things for the church, which is his body, the fullness of him who fills all in all.

This is the word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**



## Gospel Reading Matthew 25:31-46

**Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.** Stay awake, praying at all times for the strength to stand with confidence before the Son of man. **Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.** Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.  
**Glory to you, O Lord.**

Jesus said, “When the Son of Man comes in his glory, and all the angels with him, then he will sit on the throne of his glory. All the nations will be gathered before him, and he will separate people one from another as a shepherd separates the sheep from the goats, and he will put the sheep at his right hand and the goats at the left. Then the king will say to those at his right hand, ‘Come, you that are blessed by my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world; for I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink, I was a stranger and you welcomed me, I was naked and you gave me clothing, I was sick and you took care of me, I was in prison and you visited me.’



Then the righteous will answer him, ‘Lord, when was it that we saw you hungry and gave you food, or thirsty and gave you something to drink? And when was it that we saw you a stranger and welcomed you, or naked and gave you clothing? And when was it that we saw you sick or in prison and visited you?’ And the king will answer them, ‘Truly I tell you, just as you did it to one of the least of these who are

members of my family, you did it to me.’ Then he will say to those at his left hand, ‘You that are accursed, depart from me into the eternal fire prepared for the devil and his angels; for I was hungry and you gave me no food, I was thirsty and you gave me nothing to drink, I was a stranger and you did not welcome me, naked and you did not give me clothing, sick and in prison and you did not visit me.’ Then they also will answer, ‘Lord, when was it that we saw you hungry or thirsty or a stranger or naked or sick or in prison, and did not take care of you?’ Then he will answer them, ‘Truly I tell you, just as you did not do it to one of the least of these, you did not do it to me.’ And these will go away into eternal punishment, but the righteous into eternal life.”.

This is the gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.**

## Sermon

## **The Creed**

**We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father; through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven, was incarnate from the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary and was made man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is worshipped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

## **Prayers of Intercession**

*The response to the bidding* Lord in your mercy **hear our prayer.**

## **The Peace**

To crown all things there must be love, to bind all together and complete the whole. Let the peace of Christ rule in our hearts. The peace of the Lord be always with you. **And also with you.**

Let us offer one another a sign of peace.

## **Hymn**

**When I needed a neighbour,**

**Were you there, were you there?**

**When I needed a neighbour, were you there?**

**And the creed and the colour and the name won't matter,**

**Were you there?**

**I was hungry and thirsty,  
Were you there, were you there?  
I was hungry and thirsty, were you there?  
And the creed and the colour and the name won't matter,  
Were you there?**

**I was cold, I was naked,  
Were you there, were you there?  
I was cold, I was naked, were you there?  
And the creed and the colour and the name won't matter,  
Were you there?**

**When I needed a shelter  
Were you there, were you there?  
When I needed a shelter were you there?  
And the creed and the colour and the name won't matter,  
Were you there?**

**When I needed a healer,  
Were you there, were you there?  
When I needed a healer, were you there?  
And the creed and the colour and the name won't matter,  
Were you there?**

**Wherever you travel,  
I'll be there, I'll be there.  
Wherever you travel, I'll be there.  
And the creed and the colour and the name won't matter,  
I'll be there.**

### **The Preparation of the Table**

*The table is prepared, and bread and wine are placed upon it.*

Blessed be God, who enthrones us with Christ in the heavenly realms. May we feed upon the bread of God and drink the royal wine of heaven.

**Blessed be God for ever.**

## **The Eucharistic Prayer**

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts. **We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. **It is right to give thanks and praise.**

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, always and everywhere to give you thanks, holy Father, almighty and eternal God. For with the oil of gladness you have anointed Christ the Lord, your only Son, to be our great high priest and king of all creation. As priest, he offered himself once for all upon the altar of the cross and redeemed the human race by this perfect sacrifice of peace. As king he claims dominion over all your creatures, that he may bring before your infinite majesty a kingdom of truth and life, a kingdom of holiness and grace, a kingdom of justice, love and peace. And so with angels and archangels and all the heavenly host, we proclaim your glory and join their unending hymn of praise:

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.**

Lord, you are holy indeed, the source of all holiness; grant that by the power of your Holy Spirit, and according to your holy will, these gifts of bread and wine may be to us the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ; who, in the same night that he was betrayed, took bread and gave you thanks; he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you; do this in remembrance of me. In the same way, after supper he took the cup and gave you thanks; he gave it to them, saying: Drink this, all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me.

Great is the mystery of faith:

**Christ has died: Christ is risen: Christ will come again.**

And so, Father, calling to mind his death on the cross, his perfect sacrifice made once for the sins of the whole world; rejoicing in his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension, and looking for his coming in glory, we celebrate this memorial of our redemption. As we offer you this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving, we bring before you this bread and this cup and we thank you for counting us worthy to stand in your presence and serve you. Send the Holy Spirit on your people and gather into one in your kingdom all who share this one bread and one cup, so that we, in the company of the Blessed Virgin Mary, St Andrew and all the saints, may praise and glorify you for ever, through Jesus Christ our Lord; by whom, and with whom, and in whom, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honour and glory be yours, almighty Father, for ever and ever.

**Amen.**

## **The Lord's Prayer**

**Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name; thy kingdom come; thy will be done; on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation; but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, the power and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.**

**The Breaking of the Bread** *The minister breaks the consecrated bread.*

We break this bread to share in the body of Christ. **Though we are many, we are one body, because we all share in one bread.**

**Agnus Dei** *The Agnus Dei is sung as the bread is broken.*

**Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world, have mercy on us.**

**Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world, have mercy on us.**

**Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world, grant us peace.**

## **The Giving of Communion**

God's holy gifts for God's holy people. **Jesus Christ is holy, Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.**

*The sacrament is received. Organ music is played.*

## **Prayer after Communion**

Stir up, O Lord, the wills of your faithful people; that they, plenteously bringing forth the fruit of good works, may by you be plenteously rewarded; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

**Almighty God, we thank you for feeding us with the body and blood of your Son Jesus Christ. Through him we offer you our souls and bodies to be a living sacrifice. Send us out in the power of your Spirit to live and work to your praise and glory. Amen.**

**Notices** *The notices and announcements are given.*

## **Hymn**

**Rejoice, the Lord is King,**

**Your Lord and King adore;**

**Mortals, give thanks and sing,**

**And triumph evermore:**

**Refrain: Lift up your heart, lift up your voice;**

**Rejoice, again I say, rejoice.**

**Jesus, the Saviour, reigns,  
The God of truth and love;  
When he had purged our stains,  
He took his seat above:  
*Refrain: Lift up your heart, lift up your voice;  
Rejoice, again I say, rejoice.***

**His kingdom cannot fail;  
He rules o'er earth and heaven;  
The keys of death and hell  
Are to our Jesus given:  
*Refrain: Lift up your heart, lift up your voice;  
Rejoice, again I say, rejoice.***

**He sits at God's right hand  
Till all his foes submit,  
And bow to his command,  
And fall beneath his feet:  
*Refrain: Lift up your heart, lift up your voice;  
Rejoice, again I say, rejoice.***

### **The Blessing**

Christ our King make you faithful and strong to do his will, that you may reign with him in glory; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit be upon you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

### **The Dismissal**

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord. **In the name of Christ. Amen.**

### **Organ Voluntary**

## **The Parish of Thorpe St Andrew**

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# PRAYER INTENTIONS

## THE CHURCH

**Our Ministry Team** James Stewart, Taylor Wilton-Morgan, Nicole King

**Our Bishops** Graham, Alan and Jonathan

**Other Staff** The local branch of the Guild of Vergers and all who serve as vergers across our diocese.

**Anglican Communion** The Church of Bermuda, Nicholas Dill – Primate.

## THE WORLD

**All those affected by the Covid-19 pandemic** all key workers in NHS and all fields of frontline, particularly all our Schools - Dussindale Primary and Nursery (Headteacher: Louise Norgate), Hillside Avenue Primary and Nursery (Headteacher: Mr Phoenix), St William's Primary and Nursery (Headteacher: Sarah Shirrass), Thorpe St Andrew School and Sixth Form (Principal: Penny Bignell).

## THE COMMUNITY

**Streets of the Parish** Dussindale Drive, Eastern Avenue, Eastern Close

**Civic Leaders** Members of Thorpe St Andrew Town Council, particularly Mayor, John Fisher and Deputy Mayor, Sue Lawn; Members of Broadland District Council for this parish – Jonathan Emsell, John Fisher, Sue Lawn, Ian Mackie, Trudy Mancini-Boyle and Nigel Shaw; County Councillors – John Fisher and Ian Mackie; MP – Chloe Smith; our twin town of St Andrews, New Brunswick, Canada and Mayor, Doug Naish and Dep. Mayor, Brad Henderson.

**THOSE IN NEED OF OUR PRAYER** including

Brian Riseborough, Paul Carter, Mark Little, Monique Rowland, Jennifer Jones, Janet Fancy, Colin Hicks, Alan Harrison, Jill Hall, Grace Howes, Peter and Gaynor Garrod, Rita Ward, Joy and Andy McCall, Jean High, Jean Mayhew, Brother Gabriel, Craig Fransham, Anthony Travis, Paul Rayner, Mark King, Fr Patrick Kerley

## THE DEPARTED

**The recently departed** Keith Fuller, Bill Stibbe, Elsie Wade (1<sup>st</sup> December)

**Those whose anniversary of death occurs at this time**

including Derek George (24<sup>th</sup>), Barry Cox (28<sup>th</sup>)



**CAFÉ CHURCH TAKES PLACE TODAY**  
**(SUNDAY 22 NOVEMBER) 11.00AM**  
**ON ZOOM**

# OTHER NOTICES AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

**SERVICES IN THE SECOND LOCKDOWN** The Government guidelines indicate that there should be no public worship in church during this period of second lockdown, apart from funerals and services which are broadcast live from the church. We will continue to hold a live-streamed service from the church **each Sunday at 9.30am** and also **Morning Prayer at 8.45am on Thursdays**.

**PRIVATE PRAYER** The Parish Church is open for private individual prayer. Please observe social distancing, wear face coverings and make use of the hand sanitisers. The opening hours are as follows:

**Monday CLOSED Tuesday - Saturday 10am to 4pm Sunday 11am to 5pm**

**PRAYER RESOURCES: A CALL TO PRAYER** The Archbishops of Canterbury and York have called us all to pray for the nation in this month of lockdown. This can be done at any time but they hope you might pray with them each evening briefly at 6pm. You might wish to light a candle and use some of the resources. These are available on the Church of England, but I have collated them in a leaflet which was distributed last week. Fr Taylor and I will also broadcast a short prayer at 6pm each day on Facebook.

**ZOOM COFFEE IS BACK** We will hold another Zoom Coffee morning on Thursday morning at 11.00am (26 November). Further dates will be announced as we go on. The Zoom code will be sent out earlier in the week. **Bring your own coffee!! Other drinks are available!!**

**REMEMBRANCE AND POPPY APPEAL** Thank you to you all who made positive comments about the way in which the Parish of Thorpe St Andrew led the Covid-19 secure arrangements for Remembrance this year. We are very grateful to all who helped including Thorpe St Andrew Town Council and 1<sup>st</sup> Thorpe St Andrew Brownies for the excellent eco-poppies. The Royal British Legion were not permitted to be involved this year but we wish also to thank Cllr Stuart Snelling for the time and advice he gave in a personal capacity. Please do support the work of the Royal British Legion by supporting them online if you can – [www.britishlegion.org.uk](http://www.britishlegion.org.uk)

**THORPE COMMUNITY CHURCHYARD PROJECT – YARMOUTH ROAD** We are very grateful for the hard work that Dale Wiseman and Roger Pointer and their team have put into this and we were pleased to lead a service for them in the Churchyard last Sunday afternoon to remember those who served in the World Wars who are buried there.

## **CHILDREN'S SOCIETY**

*From Linda Olney* The Children's Society has asked that I should now collect and empty their charity boxes. This has been delayed but they would be very grateful for these much needed donations. I am happy to collect from the Parish church, or alternatively please contact me on 01603 434986.

**THANK YOU TO YOU ALL** Thank to you all for the way in which you have responded to giving during this pandemic. Please continue to give as generously as you can. If you have a question in relation to giving please contact our Treasurer on her email: [treasurerts@gmail.com](mailto:treasurerts@gmail.com)

**100 CLUB** The 2020-2021 season runs October to September. Forms are available. Please can you support this if you are able. You can hold up to three numbers. You can obtain a form by contacting Linda 01603 434986 or Ann 01603 436619 **The November draw Winners are:**

**First Prize:** Ann Cox (No 5) £25 **Second Prize:** Alan George (No 52) £15

## **BIBLE STUDY, AUTUMN 2020 – ON ZOOM: ‘When in Romans...’**

This continues on **Thursday 26 November at 7pm**. We are reading and reflecting upon Romans, the book we have been hearing alongside the Gospel in Church these past few months. All are very welcome, whether you have read Romans before, or never even opened its pages. Sessions will be discursive and relaxed. Please e-mail Fr Taylor ([fr.taylor@outlook.com](mailto:fr.taylor@outlook.com)) so you can be added to the Zoom invitation. Assistance can be given for those new to Zoom!

**VOLUNTEERS** The Churchwardens are preparing rotas for people to welcome us on a Sunday morning, cleaning and anything else you would like to volunteer with. Please do speak to Alison or Tim. They would love to hear from you. If you haven't volunteered before now is the time!! **THEIR EMAIL ADDRESS IS** [tsachurchwardens@gmail.com](mailto:tsachurchwardens@gmail.com)

**PASTORAL CARE THROUGH THE PANDEMIC** Many have said that this is a 'marathon and not a sprint' and as the months go on and the restrictions are more again this seems real. If you need anything (and I mean anything: shopping, telephone calls, medication, whatever it is) please do say. If you know of people in our community who need something – then let us know about them too. Our details appear elsewhere in this newsletter.

## **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION**

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