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SUNDAY 22ND NOVEMBER2026
THE SOLEMNITY OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE (A)

"Lord, when did we see you hungry or thirsty or a stranger or naked or sick or in prison, and did not minister to you?" Then he will answer them, saying, "Truly, I say to you, as you did not do it to one of the least of these, you did not do it to me." (Matthew 25:45)

In the Solemnity of Christ, King of the Universe, we celebrate the Kingship, Prophetic and Priestly ministries of Christ. We especially recognize the universal reign and dominion of Christ, who, unlike earthly rulers, came not to be served but to serve and give His life as a ransom for many. The Gospel reading presents Christ as a humble and Just King, who is impartial in meting out rewards and punishments. And it interesting to note that our relationship with our neighbours is the basic criteria for this judgement. In Christ, we find a lowly king, who goes out in search of his sheep, and was ready to lay down His life for his Sheep. Thus, the fear, splendour, awe, respect and terror often associated with the all-powerful king is undermined by the image of Jesus Christ, who is a caring and loving shepherd of His flock.

Jesus today invites us into a kingdom which will never pass away, a kingdom which is more than a pious hope for the after-life. Hence, through our faith, we are heirs to the throne; a throne of truth and life. May Christ reign in our lives and families, and may His Kingship style enable us to show love and compassion for those in need; and may it also inspire in us humble service in whatever office or position we find ourselves

Confiteor (I Confess)

I confess to almighty God and to you, my brothers and sisters, that I have greatly sinned, in my thoughts and in my words, in what I have done and in what I have failed to do, through my fault, through my fault, through my most grievous fault; therefore, I ask blessed Mary ever-Virgin, all the Angels and Saints, and you, my brothers and sisters, to pray for me to the Lord our God.

Kyrie, eleison.

Lord, have mercy	**Lord, have mercy.**	Kyrie, eleison	**Kyrie, eleison.**
Christ, have mercy	**Christ, have mercy.**	Christe, eleison	**Christe, eleison.**
Lord, have mercy	**Lord, have mercy.**	Kyrie, eleison	**Kyrie, eleison.**

The Gloria

Glory to God in the highest,
and on earth peace to people of good will.
We praise you, we bless you, we adore you, we glorify you,
we give you thanks for your great glory.

Lord God, heavenly King, O God, almighty Father.
Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son,
Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,

You take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us;
you take away the sins of the world, receive our prayer;
you are seated at the right hand of the Father, have mercy on us.

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

LITURGY OF THE WORD

First Reading: A reading from the Prophet Ezekiel 34: 11-12, 15-17

Thus says the Lord God: Behold, I, I myself will search for my sheep and will seek them out. As a shepherd seeks out his flock when he is among his sheep that have been scattered, so will I seek out my sheep, and I will rescue them from all places where they have been scattered on a day of clouds and thick darkness. I myself will be the shepherd of my sheep, and I myself will make them lie down, declares the Lord God. I will seek the lost, and I will bring back the strayed, and I will bind up the injured, and I will strengthen the weak, and the fat and the strong I will destroy. I will feed them in justice. As for you, my flock, thus says the Lord God: Behold, I judge between sheep and sheep, between rams and male goats.

The Word of the Lord. ***Thanks be to God.***

Responsorial Psalm: **Ps 23: 1-2a, 2b-3, 5, 6**

Response: *The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want.*

The Lord is my shepherd, there is nothing I shall want.
Fresh and green are the pastures where he gives me repose.**R**

Near restful waters he leads me; he revives my soul.
He guides me along the right path, for the sake of his name.**R**

You have prepared a table before me in the sight of my foes.
My head you have anointed with oil; my cup is overflowing.**R**

Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life.
In the Lord's own house shall I dwell for length of days unending. **R**

<u>Second Reading</u>: A reading from the First Letter of St. Paul to the Corinthians 15: 20-26, 28

Brothers and Sisters: Christ has been raised from the dead, the first fruits of those who have fallen asleep. For as by a man came death, by a man has come also the resurrection of the dead. For as in Adam all die, so also in Christ shall all be made alive. But each in his own order: Christ the first fruits, then at his coming those who belong to Christ. Then comes the end, when he delivers the kingdom to God the Father after destroying every rule and every authority and power. For he must reign until he has put all his enemies under his feet. The last enemy to be destroyed is death. When all things are subjected to him, then the Son himself will also be subjected to him who put all things in subjection under him, that God may be all in all.

The Word of the Lord. ***Thanks be to God.***

<u>Gospel Acclamation</u>

Alleluia, alleluia!
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord!
Blessed is the coming kingdom of our father David!
Alleluia!

<u>THE GOSPEL</u>: A reading from the Gospel according to Matthew 25: 31-46

At that time: Jesus said to his disciples, 'When the Son of Man comes in his glory, and all the angels with him, then he will sit on his glorious throne. Before him will be gathered all the nations, and he will separate people one from another as a shepherd separates the sheep from the goats. And he will place the sheep on his right, but the goats on the left. Then the King will say to those on his right, "Come, you who 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 drink, I was a stranger and you welcomed me, I was naked and you clothed me, I was sick and you visited me, I was in prison and you came to me." Then the righteous will answer him, saying, "Lord, when did we see you hungry and feed you, or thirsty and give you drink? And when did we see you a stranger and welcome you, or naked and clothe you? And when did we see you sick or in prison and visit you?" And the King will answer them, "Truly, I say to you, as you did it to one of the least of these my brothers and sisters, you did it to me."

'Then he will say to those on his left, "Depart from me, you cursed, 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 no drink, I was a stranger and you did not welcome me, naked and you did not clothe me, sick and in prison and you did not visit me." Then they also will answer, saying, "Lord, when did we see you hungry or thirsty or a stranger or naked or sick or in prison, and did not minister to you?" Then he will answer them, saying, "Truly, I say to you, 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.'

The Gospel of the Lord. ***Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.***

The Nicene Creed

I believe in one God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible.
I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ, the Only Begotten Son of God, born of the Father before all ages. God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father; through him
all things were made. For us men and for our salvation he came down from
heaven, and by the Holy Spirit (*all bow*) **was incarnate of the Virgin Mary, and became man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate, he suffered death and was buried, and rose again on the third day 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. I 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 adored and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. I believe in one, holy, catholic, and apostolic Church. I confess one baptism for the forgiveness of sins and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

THE LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

Pray brothers and sisters, that my sacrifice and yours may beacceptable to God, the Almighty Father.
May the Lord accept the sacrifice at your hands for the praise and glory of his name, for our good and the good of all his holy Church.

SANCTUS

English	***Latin***
Holy, Holy, Holy Lord God of hosts.	***Sanctus, Sanctus, Sanctus Dóminus Deus Sábaoth***
Heaven and earth are full of your glory.	***Pleni sunt caeli et terra glóriatua.***
Hosanna in the highest.	***Hosána in excélsis.***
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.	***Benedíctus qui venit in nómine Dómini.***
Hosanna in the highest.	***Hosána in excélsis.***

We shall praythe **Preface of the Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe**and say **Eucharistic Prayer II**

The Mystery of Faith

When we eat this Bread and drink this Cup, we proclaim your Death, O Lord until you come again.

English	***Latin***
Lamb of God, who takes away the sins of the world, have mercy on us.	**Agnus Dei, qui tolis peccata mundi, miserere nobis.**

Lamb of God, who takes away the sins of the world, have mercy on us.	**Agnus Dei, qui tolis peccata mundi, miserere nobis.**
Lamb of God, who takes away the sins of the world, grant us peace.	**Agnus Dei, qui tolis peccata mundi, dona nobis pacem.**

O Sacrament most Holy,O Sacrament Divine,
All praise and all thanksgiving, be every moment thine(x 3)

PARISH INFORMATION, FAITH NEWS & MISSION

Second Collection: Today is National Youth Sunday where the second collection will support youth work in the diocese and beyond, especially the Southwark Catholic Youth Service.

Youth Ministry: As today is Youth Sunday we ask you to pay particular attention to our appeal regarding launching a Youth Ministry in our parish. One of the priorities of the parish, and of the Church as a whole, is to support our young people in their journey of faith. As part of our commitment to these members of our parish family, we are working toward launching a Youth Ministry in the New Year. This will provide ongoing formation to those aged 11-18. In order for this endeavour to be successful, we need a team of enthusiastic and dedicated parishioners to commit to this ministry. The aim is to gather as many people as possible to act as leaders, advisors and administrators. We ask you to prayerfully consider how you can help build this Youth Ministry and to continue to pray for our young people who are the future of the Church. Please contact Fr. Subba or the Parish Office for more information.

Confirmation: Canon Victor Darlington, Episcopal Vicar for the South-East area of the Archdiocese of Southwark, will be visiting our parish on Sunday the 6th of June 2027 to confer the Sacrament of Confirmation on our young people. If your child is in Year 8 or above and is interested in receiving their Confirmation next year, please contact the Parish Office for an application form by the 31st of December 2026. Classes will start in the New Year.

Parish Council Meeting: The next meeting of the Parish Council will take place on Monday the 23rd of November at 7pm in the church hall.

Parish Finance Meeting: The next meeting of the Parish Finance Committee will be held on Wednesday the 2nd of December at 8pm. All members of this committee are encouraged to attend.

Children's Christmas Party: The parish Outreach Group will be hosting a Children's Christmas Party on Sunday the 6th of December from 2-4pm. This party will be for primary school aged children. If you would like your child to attend please add their name to the list in the porch.

A Day With Jesus: Our Advent Day With Jesus will take place on Saturday the 12th of December from 10am. This is always a lovely opportunity to pray, reflect and receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation before the busy Christmas period and we encourage all parishioners to attend. Please take a flier from the porch.

November Birthdays: On the weekend of the 28th and 29th of November we will be celebrating all our parishioners who were born in the month of November. If you have a November birthday and your name is not already on the list in the

porch, please add it on.

Induction Mass: Fr. Subba will be officially inducted as Parish Priest on Saturday the 23rd of January 2027 at 12pm. Please add this date to your diary.

Parish Cleaning Teams: We are still in need of a team leader for one of our volunteer cleaning teams. This will involve opening and closing the church for your group and sending out reminders about their cleaning dates. We also need new

cleaners to join all our teams. If you can spare a couple of hours on a Saturday morning once a month, please contact the Parish Office.

St. Peter & St. Paul Catholic Primary Academy: St. Peter & St. Paul Academy, one of our parish schools, are delighted to share the positive findings from their recent Ofsted inspection. The report highlights that pupils achieve well across the curriculum, with results in reading, writing and mathematics typically above national averages at the end of Key State 2. Inspectors recognised the school's caring and inclusive environment, where pupils feel happy, safe and valued. They praised the kindness and respect shown by the children, the support provided to pupils with additional needs, and the wide range of opportunities available through sport, music and leadership roles. The school's commitment to Catholic values and virtues was also recognised with pupils demonstrating kindness, honesty, resilience and a strong sense of community. To read the full Ofsted report, please visit the school website: www.saintpeterandsaintpaulcatholicprimary.co.uk

Little Sisters of the Poor: The Little Sisters of the Poor at St. Peter's Residence, SW8 1QH, will be holding a Christmas Fayre on Saturday the 28th of November from 12-4pm. They are raising money to freshen up the home they run for their elderly residents. If you are unable to attend, you can donate online via the QR code.

Baptism: If you would like to have your child baptised in the parish, please contact Reverend Longinus on longinusanyanjo@rcaos.org.uk. You should include in your email your details including phone number and the Mass you normally attend.The next Pathways to Baptism course will take place on the 8th and 15th of December.

St. Vincent de Paul Society: If there is anyone sick or housebound in the parish that would benefit from regular visits by the SVP, or if there are any families or individuals in need, please contact Gabriel Greenspan on 07958 369383. Confidentiality is assured in all cases.

Legal Advice: Legal advice is available to Our Lady of the Crays parishioners. Please contact Pedro on 07888 691332.

New Parishioners: If you are new to the parish, you are very welcome. Please introduce yourself to Fr. Subba after Mass. If you would like to join our parish database, forms are available in the porch and can be returned to the Parish Office.

Readings For The Week Ahead:

	1st Reading	Psalm	Gospel
23/11/26	Revelations 14:1-5	Ps 24:1-6	Luke 21:1-4

24/11/26	2 Chronicles 24:18-22	Ps 31:3-4,6,8,16,17	Matthew 10:17-22
25/11/26	Revelation 15:1-4	Ps 98:1-3,7-9	Luke 21:12-19
26/11/26	Revelation 18:1-2,21-23;19:1-3,9	Ps 100:1-3,5	Luke 21:20-28
27/11/26	Revelation 20:1-4,11-21:2	Ps 84:3-6,8	Luke 21:29-33
28/11/26	Revelation 22:1-7	Ps 95:1-2,3-7	Luke 21:34-36

BANK DETAILS

If you would like to donate to the parish, please scan the QR code below or contact the parish office for our bank details.

Thank you for your generosity to your parish.

LIVE STREAMING

This parish routinely livestreams the 11am Mass on Youtube between 10.30am and 12.30pm on Sundays. You may appear on camera **only** if you approach the altar without prior notice to the recording team during this time.
The camera is set to avoid capturing parishioners receiving Holy Communion.
If you have any concerns, please speak to the Priest orCommunications Team.

CHURCH MINISTRIES		
	21st& 22nd Nov	**28th& 29th Nov**
READERS 6PM	A Dsouza V Martis	D Fufeyin P Lobo
READERS 9AM	M Francis C Meaney	R Fernandes M Fernandes
READERS 11AM	N Boateng P Chitongo	P Boateng N Cornelio
EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS 6PM	S Fernandes	E North
EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS 9AM	M Abu T Meaney	K Wingfield I Floyd
EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS 11AM	M Alademerin M McEveney	N Adewale M Ehiosun
CLEANING	Team 3-Anne-Marie Glancy	Team 4-Chris Meaney
LINEN	TitiObende	Funmi Obende

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK AND THE HOUSEBOUND



Please continue to pray for: Alison Hannah, Helen Efemini, Sister Maureen Fay, Mary Mackay, Clara Soares, Jennifer Smith, Mary O'Lone, File Marku, Douglas Lewis, Terry Wingfield, Salma Lamina, Julie Langford, Stella Hawker, Pauline Burgess,Douglas Hine, Valerie Robbins,all the Sick Clergy of the Diocese and the housebound of the Parish.

BOOK OF REMEMBRANCE – NAMES FOR NOVEMBER

We remember in our prayers: Catherine Morrell, Martin Morrissey, Perry Cook, Derek Barrowclough, Molly Harris, Rita Sally Clifford, Michael McEveney, Elizabeth Jowah, Vera Ekpateta, Harry Stevens, Katherine Doonan, Charles Wenham, Olive Stevens, Robert MojolaAnjorim, Steven Spiller, Errol Cunningham, Michael Hickling, UjuOtuogbodo, William Eyre, Martin Morrissey, Derek Beadle, Michael Esenwah, Margaret Mills, Delia Ball, Eileen Morris, Janet Perera, Michael Hurley, Jerzy (George) Grun, Joseph Fay, Patricia Hobbs, Peter Howes, George Frisby, Beatrice Knight, Deirdre Boswell, Kay Frances May, Christy Gahan, Antonio Dos Santos, Mary Cannon, William Forsythe, John Rye, Margaret Drysdale, John van der Luit, Lilly Lockhurt, Jonathan Rye, Eddie Hebenton, Damian Crowley, Mimi Viliesid, LigoryOsuuzu, John McCulla, Kitty Quirk, Monica Okonkwo, Patrick Dunford, Gladys Beard, Mark Daly, Irene Stone and Teresa Hanks

DIARY FOR THE WEEK

Sun: Nov. 22: **The Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe (A)**

6pm Mass (Sat. Vigil):Pro Populo

9am Mass: Anne-Marie Glancy, TG

11am Mass: Orlando Botelho, RIP

(11am Mass Livestreamed on YouTube)

Sat: Nov. 28:**Vigil of First Sunday of Advent (B)**

5.15-5.45pm: Confessions

6pm Mass (Sat. Vigil): Departed Legionaries

Mon: Nov. 23:**Feria**

8.45am: Exposition of the Bl. Sacrament

9.30am: Alzira Miranda, RIP

Tues: Nov. 24:**No Mass**

Wed: Nov. 25:**Feria**

6.45pm: Exposition of the Bl. Sacrament

7.30pm Mass: Holy Souls

Thu: Nov. 26:**Feria**

8.45am: Exposition of the Bl. Sacrament

9.30am Mass: Eamon Murphy, RIP

Fri: Nov. 27: **Feria**

8.45am: Exposition of the Bl. Sacrament

9.30am Mass: Merle Edirisilghe, RIP

Sun: Nov. 29:**First Sunday of Advent (B)**

9am Mass:Departed Legionaries

11am Mass:Departed Legionaries

Note:
SI means Special Intention
SR means Speedy Recovery
Bl means Blessed
GB means God's Blessings
GP means God's Protection
WB means Well-Being
TG means Thanksgiving
PI means Private Intentions
BT means Birthday Thanksgiving
WA means Wedding Anniversary
Pro Populo: People of the Parish
Private Mass: Mass to be said by the Priest alone

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