Please pray for those who have recently died: John Batey, Shaun Blain

…and for those whose anniversaries occur in November: Patricia Kirwan, Brendan McNally, Mary Murphy, Margaret Denning, Pat Deeley, Edna Santiago, Victorio Tianio, Josephine Doran

Memorial list: If you would like a deceased family member or friend to be remembered in the bulletin during the month of the anniversary of their death please email their name to: stanthonyop.oxford@rcaob.org.uk.

Please contact the Parish Office with the names of those to be included whose deaths occurred in the month of November. There is no need to do so if their names were on the list in 2024/25.

Online prayer & faith resources. A range of resources is given on our parish website stanthonyofpadua.org.uk/resources/.

Keeping in touch. We send this weekly *Bulletin* by email: please let us know if you would like to join our email list and forward the bulletin to anybody who may be interested. We have a *WhatsApp* group. Let Shalini Lalvani know (via the parish email address) if you would like to join, and follow us on Facebook

Hall bookings - Please email stanthonyop.oxford@rcaob.org.uk for hall availability.

Mass Intentions: or the names of those for whom you would like us to pray should be sent to the Parish Office. The envelopes are available at the back. If you want your intention to be published in the bulletin, drop the intention and donation in the letter box by Thursday.

Please pray for the sick and housebound of the parish: Elizabeth Johnson, Frank Kennedy, Margaret Wipp, Maureen O'Sullivan, Lorraine McNally, Peter Donnelly, Nuala Lula McNally.

Dates for your diary…

	This weekend	Next weekend
Vigil readers	Paulie Kumi	Jane Kennett
Sunday Readers: 8:30 am	Hilary Lappage	Rajesh Paul
Sunday Readers: 10:00 am	Ewa Posner, Caroline Griffiths	Mercy Christopher, May Macpherson
Eucharistic ministers (10am)	Ewa, Eugene, Jane	Eugene, Ewa

The Archdiocese Commitment to Safeguarding

The Parish operates in accordance with Statutory Safeguarding Guidance and the National and Archdioceses policies & procedures at all times. Diocesan Safeguarding team can be contacted on 0121 230 6240/ safeguarding@rcaob.org.uk if you have any concerns.

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22nd November 2026

Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe Year A



It is very fitting that the Church should dedicate the last Sunday of the liturgical year to honouring Christ, her founder and Saviour, as King of the universe. We close our liturgical year, therefore, with a feast day which honours Christ as man and we give him the highest title a man can have as we proclaim him our King. Although this title was introduced only in recent times by Pius XI, its meaning and understanding go back to the very beginning of Christianity. St. Paul tells us in today's reading that Christ began his triumphant reign at the moment of his resurrection and that it will continue on earth until his last opponent is overcome. That will be on the day of the final judgment. Christ's kingdom on earth will then pass into the Father's eternal kingdom of heaven, where Christ as God will reign in majesty together with the Father and the Holy Spirit.

On this feast of Christ our King, let us renew our pledge of loyalty to him, and so that this pledge will not be an empty formula, let each one of us resolve to study once more the spiritual and corporal works of mercy and see how well we put them into practice. If we have failed in the past, let us resolve to begin again today. Let us help one another by bearing one another's burdens. This is what Christ asks of us. This is how we can prove ourselves loyal and grateful subjects. This is what we will be judged on when we meet him on our last day. If we love our neigh or with an active and practical love for Christ's sake, we are thereby loving God, and are keeping "the two greatest commandments on which the whole law and the prophets depend."

Christ is our king in this world. Let us make sure that he will be our king for all eternity by doing our best to be his loyal subjects here on earth.

Today's Reading: Ezek 34:11-12, 15-17; Ps22; 1 Cor 15:20-26, 28; Matthew 25:31-46

Responsorial Psalm: The Lord is my shepherd, there is nothing I shall want.

Next Sunday: Isa 63:16-17, 64:3-8; Ps79; 1 Cor 1:3-9; Mark 13:33-37

Morning Prayers
Mon, Wed - Fri 8.40am

Mass Times:
Mon, **Wed - Fri** 9.00am.
Tues: 6.30pm
Sat: 9am; **Vigil** 6.30pm
Sunday: 8.30am; 10am

Adoration & Confession
Saturday 5.30—6.15p.m.

NOTICES:

Second collection: There will be a second collection this weekend for Catholic Youth Services.

Christmas Bazaar: Sunday December 13th following 10:00am Mass. Lunch tickets available from this weekend £10 adults and £5 children (5-18). We are asking for donations for stalls, but please no bric-a-brac or plates. Place donations in a bag or box labelled with your name. Unlabelled or unidentified packages cannot be used.

First Holy Communion: Registration closes soon so please see Eve after the 10:10am Mass on Sunday or get the form from the website.

The Oxford Oratory is seeking a capable and adaptable Operations Administrator to take responsibility for a wide range of practical and administrative work across the Oratory. See oxfordoratory.org.uk/jobs for full information.

Parish Register Update: Our parish is planning an important update to our parish register, which has not been reviewed for many years. The form will be available at the back of church from this weekend and is already available online under downloads:

http://www.stanthonyofpadua.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/2026/11/Parish_Register_Update-SAPO-v2.docx

Annual General Meeting, Sunday 22nd November after 10am mass. Please join us in the church hall for a moderated parish discussion to share concerns or topics we should look at together. The meeting will be limited to one hour.

Month of the Holy Souls: there are envelopes available at the back of church for mass offering for the faithful departed. Holy mass will be offered for them during the month of November.

Candlelight Service, Friday 27th November, from 6pm at St Anthony of Padua. Everyone is invited to light a candle for private prayers or repose of the souls of the faithful departed.

Thank you from John Denning to all who supported the bingo last week for the CHF fund for their Lourdes pilgrimage.

QR codes for 1st and 2nd collections. We have attached QR codes to the collection bags to enable easier giving via your smartphone. The card reader will still be available as normal.

Car park: QR CODE now available for car registration validation (as an alternative to the tablet). Please use the QR code if the tablet is not working.

Last week's offertory collection

Offertory	Total
Loose collection	£184.40
Gift Aid Envelopes	£10.00
Card Reader Machine Collection	£127.00
Online giving via website	£5.00
Total	**£326.40**
Votive candles	£32.98

Monthly standing orders : £1231

Date	Day	Time	Intention
Saturday 21st Nov	The Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary	8.30am	Johnny Wallace RIP
	Vigil Mass	6.30pm	Paddy Brady RIP
Sunday 22nd Nov	Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe	8.30am	People of the Parish
		10.00am	Cath Burns Intentions
Monday 23rd Nov	Feria in Ordinary Time	9.00am	Maria Luisa e Benevides De Carvalho RIP (3rd Anniversary)
Tuesday 24th Nov	Ss Andrew Dũng-Lạc, Priest, and Companions, Martyrs	6.30pm	Keith Hutchinson RIP John Batey RIP
Wed 25th Nov	Feria in Ordinary Time	9.00am	Margaret Downey RIP
		1.00pm	JR Chapel (Sudesh Surti RIP)
Thursday 26th Nov	Feria in Ordinary Time	9.00am	Bridget Harkin RIP James McIssey RIP
Friday 27th Nov	Feria in Ordinary Time	9.00am	Sophie Ruane RIP
Saturday 28th Nov	Feria in Ordinary Time	9.00am	Annamma Chacko RIP
	Vigil Mass	6.30pm	Mrs J Manuell (RIP) & David Manuell Wedding Anniversary
Sunday 29th Nov	Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe	8.30am	People of the Parish
		10.00am	Johnny Wallace RIP

Offertory Contribution: In addition to the weekly envelope offerings and the card reader there are other ways to contribute to the parish. If you do online banking, consider a monthly gift by Standing Order. You can set it up yourself or request for a Bank Standing Order form for you to complete and return to us or send directly to your bank.

Gift-Aid: If you pay Income Tax in the UK, please consider Gift-Aiding your donation to the parish. In this scheme the government give the church extra 25p on every pound you give. Example: if any tax-payer gives the church £100 donation for the year, the church will claim from the government extra £25 without any extra cost to the person. It's like giving £125 by that person. Help the Church to get the extra cash from the government. Please ask for the gift-aid form or bank standing order form. Forms are available at the back of the Church.