

# Parish Newsletter

St Fillan's, King St, Newport-on-Tay

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## Solemnity of Christ the King 20<sup>th</sup> November 2022

Year: C (2) Psalm Week: 2 Liturgical colour: white

**First reading:** *2 Samuel 5:1-3. They anointed David King of Israel.*

**Responsorial Psalm:** *Ps 121 (122) I rejoiced when I heard them say, 'Let us go to the Lord's house.'*

**Second reading:** *Colossians 1:12 - 20 Out of the darkness: a place in the Kingdom of the Son He loves.*

**Gospel:** *Luke 23: 35-43. Today you will be with me in Paradise.*

### Holy Mass Times

*Our Lady Star of the Sea:* Saturday Vigil 5pm  
Monday 10am Friday 10am

*St Fillan's:* Sunday Mass 10.15am  
Wednesday 10am Thursday 10am

### Mgr. Pat's Corner

What is the Kingdom of Christ the King? Here is a beautiful explanation by Gerald Darring from St. Louis University: *Centre for Liturgy*.

The Kingdom of God is a **space**. It exists in every home where parents and children love each other. It exists in every region and country that cares for the weak and vulnerable members of society. It exists in every parish that reaches out to the needy.

The Kingdom is a **time**. It happens whenever someone feeds a hungry person, or shelters a homeless person, or shows care to a neglected person. It happens whenever we confront injustice, or work for peace and goodwill among nations. It happens whenever people join in the struggle to overcome poverty, to erase ignorance, or to pass on the Faith.

The Kingdom of God is **in the past** (in the life and work of Jesus on earth). It is **in the present** (in the work of the Church and many others who work to create a better world). It is **in the future** (reaching its completion at the end of time).

The Kingdom of God is a **condition**. Its symptoms are love, justice and peace. Jesus Christ is King! We pray today that God may free us all to rejoice in his peace, to glory in his justice, and to live in his love.

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The *Mission Collection from St. Fillan's/Our Lady's* came to £190.75, and has been forwarded to Mission Scotland. Many thanks to all who contributed.

**Special Prayers** Please pray for all those who have died recently and those whose anniversaries fall around this time, especially for Mary Elizabeth Murphy whose anniversary is this weekend.

Pray that those seeking or holding power will reflect on the example of Christ, the Servant King, when considering how to wield it.

## Feasts and Solemnities

Monday 21st	The Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary	White
Tuesday 22nd	St Cecilia	Red

As we come to the end of the Church's year, and consider the preparations we make to be ready for the Nativity at Christmas, a feast with Mary as Mother, it seems pleasing to consider how Mary's life, from its earliest point, was dedicated to serving and loving God, inspired by the Spirit. Monday helps us do this, as it marks the time Mary herself was a babe, presented at the temple by her mother, Anne.

The 22<sup>nd</sup> is the Feast of one of the early lady martyrs of the Church. Celebrated in Rome from the 4<sup>th</sup> century, her popularity grew stronger 200 years after her death. St Cecilia has long been associated with Music and there are glorious hymns and Masses named for her, as musicians have sought the assistance of the young martyr who refused to marry having dedicated herself to Christ. Having probably had her vocal instrument burned out viciously, her influence has produced harmonious (and dissonant!) music to the glory of God.

### TURNING TOWARDS ADVENT>>>>>>>>

#### Ecumenical Nativity Play, 3rd December 2022 - Get your tickets soon!

This excellent initiative, involving all the Churches in Newport and Wormit, will take place in the Church of Scotland Grounds, Cupar Road, Newport. There will be two performances - 1pm. and 2pm. Come and watch the story unfold and share the joy of spreading the story in one of the oldest ways, a play! A ticket will be required for entry into the Church Grounds, but the ticket is free! They are obtainable from Manna Cafe, Newport.

#### \*\*\*\*\*The return of Festive Newsletter Greetings! \*\*\*\*\*

*Advent approaches and shops fill with tinsel and bells. Our thoughts turn to sending greetings. Before stocking up with cards this year, pause for a moment!*

*Instead of buying cards and stamps with cost to purses and planet, why not consider keeping it local? This year, we can once again invite you to greet fellow parishioners in the newsletter. We made several hundred pounds for Shelter with our last greetings pages and we'd love to raise money for them again this year. They do great work here in our locality.*

*You are invited to place your written greeting and donation in the special Christmas box that will appear next week in the churches.*

*Alternatively, if you prefer to communicate by email, you can email your greeting to the editing team (via [jkmcj@hotmail.com](mailto:jkmcj@hotmail.com)) and donate directly via the charity's website. Doing this will allow you to authorise the charity to claim back tax if you can Gift aid it. <https://scotland.shelter.org.uk/donate>*

*Your greeting will appear on a special Advent festive greetings page in one newsletter, as well as being published on the website, Facebook and What'sApp. The greetings pages will also be displayed on boards within the churches.*

*It's a chance for parishioners near and far, present and past to share greetings and raise money for a good cause.*

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NIGHTFEVER- Once again, the first time since pandemic restrictions, St Andrew's Cathedral in Dundee will open its doors for an evening of adoration and outreach on 3<sup>rd</sup> December. Beginning with Vigil Mass at 5.30, the event will run from 7-9pm. Anyone wanting to help with filling the cathedral with candlelight and music, inviting passers-by to come in and spend some time with the Blessed Sacrament can contact Canon Kevin ([StAndrew@dunkelddiocese.org.uk](mailto:StAndrew@dunkelddiocese.org.uk)). It should be a special time.

May St Cecilia watch over the **Cecilian Choir** as they prepare for their **annual Carol Concert** on 18<sup>th</sup> December. It will be at 3pm in St Andrew's Cathedral.

CHRIST THE KING OF INDIVIDUALS & NATIONS, OF TIME & ETERNITY