ST. ANSELM

Proclaiming Christ in Hayes

We assume that when Jesus says that "this" was what I was born to be, the "this" refers to being a king. But he doesn't say that explicitly.

I think this is a very significant detail. Pilate, the Jewish people, and we ourselves, all have our own, very worldly, understanding of what a king is, and what a king does. And what kings are, and what they do, are both inextricably linked to power. Power relative to their subjects, and power over their subjects. We all know from history that such power is more often exercised with brutality than with love.

As we celebrate the feast of Christ the King today, we must, I think, be careful to distinguish between what this image means, and what it does not mean. Christ is king not of nations, or peoples, or empires, but of the whole universe. And his kingship over all creation is expressed not through domination, but through salvation.

Jesus is the king who rules through being a servant – and a servant is one who has a purpose and function, not one with unbridled power to impose his will. Jesus's purpose is "to testify to the truth", the truth that it is through the suffering of the cross that we, and indeed the whole universe, are saved.

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Please let us know of illness or other need as soon as possible. e.

Prayer focus

For the Leadership of the Church of England and the Anglican Communion

Worship focus

For renewed spirits as we enter a new liturgical year.

This Sunday

Sunday 24th November

CHRIST THE KING

10am - Parish Mass

PCC Meeting - After Mass

Divine Office Psalter Week 2, Year B(II)

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Notices

- We have PCC Meeting immediately after Mass.
- We have started the 'Warm Welcome' and its on every Wednesday, from 11:00 am to 2:00 pm.
- Please speak to Susan if you would like to attend the Advent Service at St. Paul's Cathedral on Saturday.
- We are happy to announce that we will start using the English Hymnal on 1st December. We are grateful to David for his generous donation.
- We need volunteers to work as sides people to support the Church Wardens before, during and after worship by welcoming people to church.
- Please support the church generously through your giving at www.stanselm.co.uk/giving

Years Mind

25th - Eugene Pinto

29th - Edith Rose Darbin, Violet Pegg, Sybille Irma Anna Kulas

30th - Cherpine Howell, Peter Kalsi

Pray This Week For

Mavis & Daniel Sibley, Laura & her twins, Jenny Appleby, Chris Gomez, Omeeta Dunrad, Mary, Tiziana Fiorillo, Terrence Campbell, Pauline, Jas, Agnes, Maxcine, Mrs. Antaki, Dany, Fr. Alexander Appiah and Debesai Haile

Advent

1ST DECEMBER - FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT
8TH DECEMBER - SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT
15TH DECEMBER - THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT
22ND DECEMBER - FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT (MULLED
WINE AND MINCED PIE WILL BE SERVED AT THE HALL)

Christmas

24TH DECEMBER - CHILDREN'S CRIB SERVICE (3:00PM)
24TH DECEMBER - MIDNIGHT MASS (11:30PM)
ALL MASSES FOLLOWING STARTS AT 10:00 AM

25TH DECEMBER - FAMILY MASS

26TH DECEMBER - ST. STEPHEN, THE FIRST MARTYR 27TH DECEMBER - ST. JOHN, APOSTLE, EVANGELIST 28TH. DECEMBER - THE HOLY INNOCENTS, MARTYRS

Monday 25th November

Monday of Week 34 in Ordinary Time (G)

[Offices said Privately]

Prayer focus: St. Anselm Parish

Tuesday 26th November

Tuesday of Week 34 in Ordinary Time (G) 9:45 - Morning Prayer | 10am - Mass 5pm - BB & Girl's Association Prayer focus: For all religious

Wednesday 27th November

Wednesday of Week 34 in Ordinary Time (G)

9:45 - Morning Prayer | 10am - Mass

11am - 2pm - Warm Welcome

5pm - Evening Prayer

Prayer focus: Priest and Bishops of the Society

Thursday 28th November

Thursday of Week 34 in Ordinary Time (G) 9:45 - Morning Prayer | 10am - Mass Prayer focus: New Christians

Friday 29th November

Friday of Week 34 in Ordinary Time (G)

[Offices said Privately]

Prayer focus: Struggling Mothers and Fathers

Saturday 30th November

St. Andrew, Apostle (R)

[Offices said Privately]

Sunday 1st December FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

10am - Parish Mass

Divine Office Psalter Week 1, Year C (I)

New Year

1ST JANUARY - MARY THE HOLY MOTHER OF GOD (11:00AM)
NO WEEKDAY SERVICES FROM 2ND TO 4TH
5TH JANUARY - EPIPHANY (NINE LESSONS WITH CAROLS)