

Christmas Mass

Christ the King Church

Thurs 24th Dec Christmas Eve	5.30 pm Carols 6.00 pm Mass 8.30 pm Carols 9.00 pm Mass
Fri 25th Dec Christmas Day	9.00 am Mass 12.00 pm Mass
Sat 26th Dec	10.00 am Mass 6.00 pm Mass
Sun 27th Dec	9.00 am Mass 12.00 pm Mass
Mon 28th Dec	9.15 am Mass
Tues 29th Dec	9.15 am Mass
Wed 30th Dec	12.00 pm Mass
Thurs 31st Dec	12.00 pm Mass
Fri 1st Jan	12.00 pm Mass 7.00 pm Mass

St Augustine's Church

Thurs 24th Dec	7.00 pm Carols 7.30 pm Mass
Fri 25th Dec	10.30 am Mass
Sun 27th Dec	10.30 am Mass

*Fr Tom, Fr Paul, the Deacons and
Holy Rosary Sisters wish you all
A Happy and Holy Christmas*

Christ the King & St Augustine Advent Services



**It's better to light a candle
than curse the darkness.
Anon**

During Advent and the time of Christmas we are once again asked to "Walk with Me". It is an invitation which comes from Christ himself in every moment of our lives that we should walk with him. He is always with us, but we are not always conscious of the fact.
+ William Kenny CP

Father, all-powerful God, your eternal Word took flesh on our earth when the Virgin Mary placed her life at the service of your plan. Lift our minds in watchful hope to hear the voice which announces His glory and open our minds to receive the Spirit who prepares us for His coming. Amen

The Season of Advent 2009

The Season of Advent comes this year in the midst of the credit crunch. This can lead us to worry about the financial pressures of Christmas. We are pressured to buy more and more and it can lead people into debt. It doesn't have to be like this. There is an opportunity to consider the spiritual preparation necessary at this time of year and worry less about the material.

This leaflet gives details about all of the opportunities that there are in the parish this Advent. The Christmas Season is not about how much we spend, but about how much we love. Come and join the parish in our preparations for the coming of Christ.

Do not try to do too much, just one thing will be enough for most people. We all make great efforts for Lent and we need to make the same effort for the few weeks of Advent.

Some highlights include: at the beginning of Advent, we have a special Holy Hour for our Ministers, both Readers and Eucharistic, and we welcome your prayers for them in this important work; two talks, on the themes of Advent which will be presented by Fr Paul on 3rd and 10th of December in Church; the Service for the Sick on Sunday, 6th December at 4.00pm. After our service, we will enjoy Tea and carols sung by the parish youth group. On St Stephen's Day there is a special Mass at 10am for the Altar Servers, and all their families, of both Churches. Please do try to support them if you can. At all Masses on the weekend after Christmas we will be celebrating the Sacrament of Marriage by asking all couples to renew their marriage vows on the feast of the Holy Family.

As in previous years we have a Penance Service at St Augustine's on Tuesday, 15th December at 7.00 pm and Christ the King on Wednesday, 16th December at 7.00 pm. There will be visiting priests at both Penance Services. We need to support this so that we all witness to the importance of this Sacrament, especially to pass this Tradition on to our children. It is, of course, also part of our Christmas duties to come to Confession. We have, also, the Walk With Me booklets and calendars so that we are helped to make time for prayer each day.

Let us support one another on this Advent journey and pray for God's blessings upon us during this Holy Season.

May God bless you all.
Fr Tom & Fr Paul



ADVENT AND CHRISTMAS CALENDER OF EVENTS



Sun 29 November	4.00pm	Eucharist Ministers and Readers Holy Hour
	4.00pm	Blessing of Crib in City Centre
	6.30pm	Light in Our Darkness, Coventry Cathedral
Wed 2 December	5.00pm	Meditations Traditions, reflection at Friends Meeting House
Thurs 3 December	7.00pm	Advent Talk I
Sun 6 December	4.00pm	Service for the Sick and Housebound, followed by tea in the library.
Thurs 10 December	7.00pm	Advent Talk II
Sun 13 December	3.00pm	Ecumenical Advent Service, St. Thomas More Church, Knoll Drive, Styvechale
Mon 14 December	6.30pm	St Augustine's School, Advent Service
Tue 15 December	6.00pm	Carols on the Green, Jubilee Crescent Community Centre
	7.00pm	Penance Service, St. Augustine's Church, with visiting priests for Confession
Wed 16 December	7.00pm	Penance Service, Christ the King Church, with visiting priests for Confession
Thurs 17 December	6.00pm	Christ the King Junior School Carol Service
Thurs 24 December	5.30pm	Carols before Mass
Christmas Eve	6.00pm	Family Mass at Christ the King
	7.30pm	Mass at St Augustine's
	8.30pm	Carols before Mass
	9.00pm	Mass at Christ the King
Fri 25 December	9.00am	Mass at Christ the King
Christmas Day	10.30am	Mass at St Augustine's
	12.00pm	Mass at Christ the King
Sat 26 December	10.00am	Altar Servers Mass for St Stephen at Christ the King Church
	6.00pm	Mass with Renewal of Marriage Vows on the Feast of the Holy Family
Sun 27 December	9.00am	Mass with Renewal of Marriage Vows on the Feast of the Holy Family
	10.30am	Mass with Renewal of Marriage Vows on the Feast of the Holy Family
	12.00am	at all weekend Masses



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