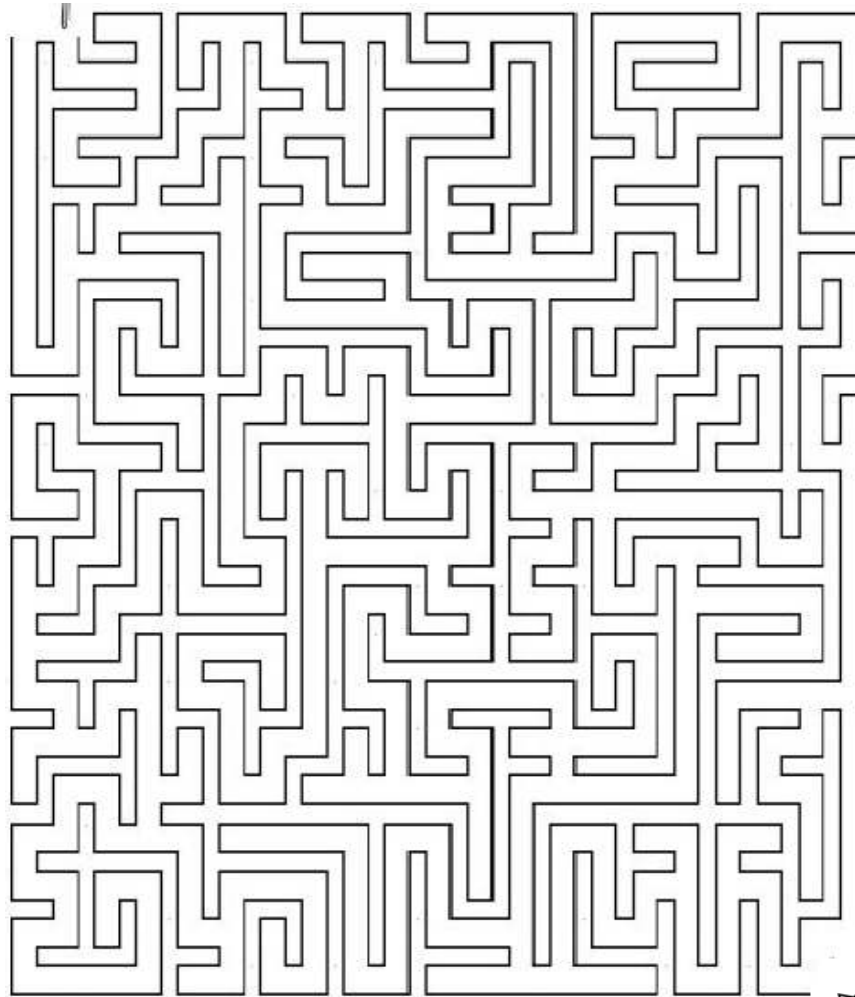


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Christ, the King of the Universe

The official name of today's feast is Christ the King of the Universe, an attempt to reach a universal understanding of what's going on. The Franciscan understanding is that the first idea (the Alpha) of history is that God wanted to materialise; God who is spirit, who is shapeless, who is formless, wanted to take form. That's Plan A. Most Christian understanding of history is based on a 'Plan B', that everything started with a big mistake – which is a terrible way to start history. 'Plan B' sees Jesus as a 'mop-up exercise' correcting Adam and Eve's supposed fault. Plan A is that this material universe reveals the invisible God. That's what it means for the Christ to be the King of the Universe. Jesus himself rejects the title of king. "That's not what I'm about. I just came to reveal the Big Truth, not to be a king in your worldly sense." Rather than 'king' maybe we should use the words 'the first revelation of what's going on', 'the inner DNA of everything'.

The Christ is not the same as Jesus. Jesus has existed for only 2000 years. The Christ, the king of the universe, has existed, according to our understanding of the universe, for 14.6 billion years! We call it 'the Big Bang'. That's when God decided to show God's self. That's the Incarnation. That's the Alpha point. The Alpha and the Omega are the same thing. What God revealed as Plan A -that God is in the universe, in creation, in every creature, in everything that exists – is a revelation of the mystery of God. I hope you recognise that that means you are inside of something very sacred, very beautiful and inherently holy.

So Jesus doesn't come to proclaim any kind of domination or control of history. He simply says, "I am naming the deepest meaning of history and the deepest meaning of humanity." That's why, in a moment in time, this eternal Christ mystery came as a person that you and I call Jesus. This is the deepest, the biggest and vast meaning of the feast of Christ the King of the Universe.

(Richard Rohr. Adapted)

34th Sunday in Ordinary Time Year B

25th November 2018

Eucharistic Prayer: 1

DIARY AND MASS INTENTIONS

for the week beginning Saturday 24th November 2018

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| Sat 6.00pm | <i>St. Anthony</i> | Dec. members Moon family | |
| Sun 9.30am 11.00am | <i>St. Anthony</i> <i>Holy Family</i> | Dec members Russell family For our parish | <i>Christ the King</i> <i>Sp Collection: Youth Services</i> |
| Mon 9.15am | <i>Holy Family</i> | For successful operation | |
| Tue 9.15am | <i>St Anthony</i> | Alfred Kenneth Craven | |
| Wed 9.15am | <i>St Anthony</i> | Christina Bolger | |
| Thur 9.15am | <i>Holy Family</i> | Mary Kiernan | |
| Fri 9.15am 6.30-7.30pm | <i>St. Anthony</i> <i>Holy Family</i> | Dec. relatives Whelan family | <i>Feast: St Andrew</i> <i>Exposition & Holy Communion</i> |
| Sat: 6.00pm | <i>St. Anthony</i> | Margaret & Bert Swarbrick, Lesley Thompson | <i>St Andrew Dung-Lac & Comp</i> |
| Sun 9.30am 11.00am | <i>St. Anthony</i> <i>Holy Family</i> | Jo Counsell (90th) For our parish | <i>First Sunday of Advent</i> <i>Sp Collection: Poor Parishes</i> |

Last Weekend: Attendance 74 Offertory: £115.00. Thank you for your generosity.

Masses received this week:

Alfred Kenneth Craven, Christina Bolger, Audrey Morgan, Chris Burscough.

Monday 'Surgery'

Please note Fr. Peter will only be in Holy Family Church from 6.00-6.30pm this Monday evening due to a school meeting. It is especially for anyone who wants a word about baptisms, weddings, Sacrament of Reconciliation etc.

Please remember in your prayers

Bill O'Shaughnessy, Malaya, Ray Mannion, Bob Blacoe, Rhoda Case, Bill York, Lawrence Dunnagan, Trevor Hughes, Claire, Rowland Eyre;

those who have died recently: Jim Sheldon, Helen Proctor, Sylvia Taylor, Chris Burscough;

and those whose anniversaries occur around this time: Margaret Wood, Desmond Deeley, Wilhelmina Bielby, Ellen Smalem, Frank McMahon, Margaret (Peg) Nicholson, Ted Bolton, Betty Gathercole, Evelyn Eccles, Elizabeth McGivern, Wilf Judge, Mary Radcliffe, Elizabeth Melling, Bernice Plumb, Martin McMurrough. May they rest in peace.

Advent Mass for the Sick

Twice a year St. Anthony's SVP organise a Mass in church followed by Party in St Anthony's Social Centre. The next one is on 8th December at 12(noon). If you know of anyone from our Parish who would like an invitation to our SVP Mass and Party please let Mrs Kelly know on 723963..

The SVP would be grateful for any donations of suitable gifts to act as prizes for the Bingo and raffle at this event. Many thanks to everyone who helps and contributes to this party every year.

Holy Family Parish History

Do you have any photos of people and events at Holy Family pre-2007? If so could you let either Caroline or Peter Reed have copies so we can put a history of the parish together. Thank you.

"Messy Church"

In St. Clare's Church Hall on Sat 8th December, from 1.30-3.00pm. Come and enjoy an afternoon of activities, games and bible stories. All ages and denominations welcome.

Religious Sisters at Lea Town

The Congregation of the Sisters of the Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament are from Kerala. They are semi-enclosed and are dedicated to Eucharistic Adoration. There will be a Mass on Friday 14 December at 7pm at St Mary's to formally welcome the Sisters.

Women Together In the Diocese of Lancaster

"A Journey with Mary & Joseph" - an Advent Day of Prayer. On Saturday 1st Dec. at Xaverian Mission Spirituality Centre (Tabor) led by Fr. Bideri. Cost £5. *poster.

"Global Healing"

How our faith helps us care for our common home. Sunday 2nd December 7.00pm. Our Lady and St Edward's Church Hall, Fulwood. See extracts from the film, pray and discuss what actions we can take.

Charity Dance Night - RNLI Lifeboats

Sequence & Modern Ballroom, in Our Lady & St. Edwards Social Centre, on Saturday 1st December. 8pm-11pm. *poster.

"Love Needs to be Organised"

A presentation by John Battle (former MP, Chair Leeds J & P). At Tabor Xaverian Missionaries Spirituality Centre, Sharoe Green Lane, Preston. On Monday 10th December at 7.30pm. Organised by St. Wilfrids and Citizens UK

Share-It Food Bank (at Holy Family)

Thank you for the donations of food throughout the year. For the next few weeks we'd be grateful for any **festive food treat** for our Christmas parcels. These items are the most needed at the moment:

Thank you for your generous giving.