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Newsletter for Sunday, 24th November 2024, Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe.

We pray for the Parish of the Sacred Heart & St Margaret Mary, Dereham, the Holy Land, Ukraine and the Catholics of Siem Reap and Prek Toal, Cambodia.

<u>Times of Mass this week</u>		Memorial Acc: We proclaim your	death				
Saturday	6.30 pm	People of th	e Parish Wed	nesday	[•] 12.15 pm, Feria	a	Pro-Life Causes
Sunday	9.00 am	Private	intention Thu	rsday	9.30 am, Feria	a	David Dray RIP
-	11.00 am	Ernest Szne	eider RIP Frid	lay	12.15 pm, Feri	a	Pro-Life Causes
Monday	9.30 am, St C	atherine of Alexandria Christine	Hall RIP Sate	urday	10.00 am, ST /	ANDREW	Ken Purchase RIP
Tuesday	9.30 am, Feria	Bishop John H	line RIP	_	6.30 pm, (Firs	t Sunday of Advent)	Private intention

Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confessions): Saturday, 10.30 am or by appointment. THE ROSARY is prayed each Wednesday at 11.45 am, before Mass. Teas and coffees after 9.00 and 11.00 am Mass. Children's Liturgy at 11.00 am Mass. Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, Friday, 11.40 am – 12.10 pm. TODAY IS WORLD YOUTH DAY Please take a copy of the glossy and lavishly illustrated annual report from the Diocesan Youth Service.

THREE ADVENT TREATS This Advent, St Etheldreda's will be putting on a series to talks to help us start the new Church year and prepare for Christmas. The talks will be on Wednesdays 4th, 11th, and 18th December at 6.30 in the parish rooms and will cover St Luke's Gospel, which we will be reading next year (Deacon Paul Raynes); the celebration of Christmas when Catholics were being persecuted in England (Father John Morrill) and the relationship between faith and music (Férdia Stone-Davis). Refreshments will be provided and everyone is welcome. Great preparation for Christmas. See the posters and parish website. **CHRISTMAS CARDS ON SALE** Religious Christmas cards are on sale in the Repository, packs of 12 for £4.50 each. Calendars are also on sale. **SVP CHRISTMAS RAFFLE** of a Luxury Food Hamper and a Toiletries Hamper, to raise funds for people in need. Tickets will be on sale Sundays throughout Advent. £5 for a strip of 5 tickets. Please remember to bring cash. See details on the notice board at the back of church. Thank you **KOBZAR ARMADA – Let Freedom Ring!** A concert of traditional Ukrainian music presented by Jurij Fedynskyj and the Poltava Kobzar Guild, as part of tour of the UK and Ireland, in St Etheldreda's Church on Friday 6th December at 6.00 pm. Free concert, donations for the group's tour expenses.

CONFIRMATION CLASSES will begin on Tuesday, 3rd December, at 6.30 pm in the Parish Rooms. Confirmation Mass on Thursday, 15th May, at 7.00pm. You are eligible if you are in Year 8 or above. Registration forms are available on the parish website <u>www.elyrcchurch.com</u> or at the back of the church.
VACANCIES IN THE SCHOOLS OF THE DIOCESE CEO St John the Baptist CMAT, Trust Clark St John the Baptist CMAT. Headteacher at St Thomas More Catholic Primary School, Peterborough. Please see website for more details: <u>https://www.rcdea.org.uk/schools/school-vacancies/</u>
COLLECTIONS LAST WEEKEND: <u>Parish Offertory Plate</u> £689.10 (Standing Orders average now £510). Thank you all for your generosity.
CHURCH CLEANING The next big cleaning session will be on Saturday, 7th December, from 11.30 am. Any help you can give will be much appreciated.

WE PRAY for our sick and housebound **and anniversaries of** William Dunne, Annie Dawkins, Lynn Anne Zaratini, John Bailey, Elizabeth Marczowski, Frederick Webb, Ken Livsey, John Larkin Cooper, Irene Drysdale, John Pratt, Phyllis Lee, David Dray, Frederica Humphry (2023), Joan Baker and Rosa Martin. R.I.P. **For the Catholic Chaplain at Addenbrooke's,** call the Chaplains' Office, 01223 217769. **Relationship difficulties** Contact Marriage Care 0800 389380

COMING UP: The SVP meets this Monday, 25th November, at 10.15 am. The Bible Study and Prayer Group meets on Saturday, 7th December, at 10.45 am.

Every blessing for the week ahead, Deacon Paul and Father David.

Mass Books p 160. Psalter: Week 2.

Prayers of the Faithful – Christ the King 2024

Priest: As we honour Christ, the Son of God, as our King, we confidently present our prayers and petitions in his name.

Reader:

For the Church: that the teaching of Jesus may always guide us to live and walk in the truth... Lord, hear us.

For our young people: that they may grow in wisdom and mature in the knowledge of the truth of God's love for them... Lord, hear us.

For peace in the world: that the Holy Spirit may lead all nations to live justly and with respect for the earth and for their neighbours...

Lord, hear us.

For those who are sick: that they may find comfort and strength in the Lord and in the care they receive in hospital or at home...

Lord, hear us.

For the faithful departed: that the Lord may lead them to the peace of God's kingdom and may comfort all who mourn... Lord, hear us.

We pray for our own intentions in the silence of our hearts...

May our Blessed Lady, Queen of Peace, pray for us all: Hail Mary.....

Priest: Father, we thank you for hearing our prayers. May your Son, Jesus Christ, our King, come to reign in our hearts, so that we may share his message of hope with everyone we meet. We make this and all our prayers through the same Christ our Lord. Amen.