Vale Benefice Service Sheet

22nd November 2026

Christ the King Sunday

Ezekiel 34.11-16,20-24; Psalm 95.1-7; Ephesians 1.15-23; Matthew 25.31-46

In the Old Testament the King was thought of as the shepherd of his people. That's quite a concept for those in power today to take on board, royalty, presidents, prime ministers. Jesus Christ is the supreme example and ultimate Judge. "O come, let us worship and bow down, let us kneel before the Lord, our Maker! For he is our God, and we are the people of his pasture, and the sheep of his hand. O that today you would listen to his voice!"

Our Shared Worship

22nd November – Christ the King

8am Holy Communion, St John's, Grove - Rev Miriam Jones
9.30am Parish Eucharist, St James', Hanney - Rev Miriam Jones
10am Parish Communion, St James', Denchworth - Rev Peter Rich
10.15am Morning Worship (Toy-giving service), St John's, Grove
(with Bev Aldridge & James Beck)
11am Parish Eucharist (& Baptism), St Nicholas', East Challow - Rev Miriam Jones

Upcoming services

29th November – Advent Sunday

8am Holy Communion, St John's, Grove - Rev Alec Gill
9.30am Parish Eucharist, St James', Hanney - Rev Miriam Jones
10am Parish Communion, St James', Denchworth – Rev Alec Gill
10.15am Holy Communion, St John's, Grove – James Mabbett & Rev Miriam Jones
11am Parish Eucharist, St Nicholas', East Challow - Rev Alec Gill

Stir up, we beseech thee, O Lord, the wills of thy faithful people; that they, plenteously bringing forth the fruit of good works, may of thee be plenteously rewarded; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen."

Midweek Services

Thursday 26th November 10am Holy Communion, St Nicholas', East Challow

PLEASE PRAY FOR:

Health and healing: Amanda B, Kev, Sue and family; Margaret D; Father Tony Hogg; Shelley S; Mary L; Rev Dick French; Norah L; Rob S; Peter Ch; Pat B; Susanne C; Wendy R; Katherine S; Laura C; Ursula G & Richard H.

Friends and families mourning: Anthony Charles, Nathan Pearce, Mary Mann, and Christopher Buckell.

Our king and his government, presidents and governments world-wide; the people of Ukraine facing another winter of suffering; the people of Gaza facing flooding in their temporary tents; real international action following COP31

Those involved in selecting the new Bishop of Oxford and Bp Gavin Collins standing in the gap; members of the new General Synod

LECTIONARY READINGS FOR MORNING PRAYER

Mo	Psalms 92,96	Isaiah 40.1-11	Revelation 14.1-13
Tue	Psalms 97,98,100	Isaiah 40.12-26	Revelation 14.14 end of 15
Wed	Psalm 110-112	Isaiah 40.27-41.7	Revelation 16.1-11
Thu	Psalms 125-128	Isaiah 41.8-20	Revelation 16.12-end
Fri	Psalm 139	Isaiah 41.21-42.9	Revelation 17
Sat	Psalm 145	Isaiah 42.10-17	Revelation 18

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