

Christ the King Reflection

I don't fully understand everything the cross of Christ means, but I do know that it speaks deeply to our human experience. All of us, sooner or later, must face the pain, emptiness, and seeming randomness of life. We must face the fact that we can't control everything. Until we do, we can't truly be whole or healthy. That's the strange truth: we only find peace when we admit our need.

This is what Christ did. He entered into the emptiness completely, with love, and changed it forever. Following Christ is like moving through a healing process. To be a Christian is, in a real sense, to become psychologically whole. Whatever else the story of Jesus is, it is also a story of letting go, something we all must do again and again.

And here is where the joy comes in. The moment we finally let go, even for a second, light breaks in. Jesus did not cling to his divine status or use it for his own advantage. Instead, he "emptied himself," choosing to become a servant, even a slave. And because of this, this is the key, he was "highly exalted," and every knee bows before him.

We, too, must let our false selves die, so that something new and true can rise in us.



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THIS WEEK

Monday 24th Nov	St. Andrew Dung-Lac	10:00am
Wednesday 26th Nov		10.00am
Friday 28th Nov		10:00am
Saturday 29th Nov	Vigil	4:00pm
Sunday 30th Nov	1st Sunday of Advent	9:30am_ ;

Safeguarding: The Parish operates in accordance with Statutory Safeguarding Guidance and the national and Archdiocese policies & procedures at all times. Our Parish Safeguarding Representative is **Mrs. Jo Currie who can be contacted at** sg.stbenedict.atherstone@rcaob.org.uk

*Love your neighbour – it's the simplest
way to change the world.*

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**Christmas Cards are on sale.
This year the money will go toward the feeding
program at
Chinthowa School, Malawi.**

Friends of St. Benedict's

Sunday 7th December 2025

After Mass

Christmas Tombola

Tea, Coffee and Cake £1:50

Please bring prize donations over the next 2

*Please pray for those whose anniversaries fall at this
time;*

Florence Weale, Peter Cairns, Margaret Timon,
Lou Demeda, Joan Healey, Jean Mycroft, John Henry Cope,
Frank Gudger, Marie Dunn, Ginnie Turner, William Norton,
Patrick Farrelly, Ted McKenzie, Jim Every, Jan Leszczyk
and Louisa Read.

Eternal rest grant unto them O Lord...

*The Bible Time-line
7:00pm
Every Monday Evening
St. Benedict's Community Hall*

16/11/2025

S/O

£312.00

£582.22

Overheads

£586.00 Avg