



# THE CATHOLIC CHURCH OF CHRIST THE KING

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## WELCOME TO CHRIST THE KING

We welcome visitors, family and friends to our Mass today.  
We are glad you are joining us today.

### TENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME-YEAR-B-2024

**FROM THE DESK OF FATHER SAJI-OUR EXTENDED FAMILY** Most of us categorise life through our distinctions and delineation. We focus on our differences rather than our similarities. Our differences often contain a judgement of good or bad and tend to be the rules for separation and even hatred. We are warned in the scriptures this weekend that if a house is divided against itself, it cannot continue to exist and be healthy. It seems clear that this is a call to work toward unity in every aspect of our lives. Unity is not to be confused with uniformity. In fact every healthy union has a good flavour of diversity within it. How can we work at becoming more one heart, and one mind without trying to make every single person fit into the same form or mould? We have some guidance from the life of Jesus that might truly be the guideposts for our forming our unity. He talks about, his image of who belongs. More importantly, He acts according to that belief. Jesus goes out of his way to be inclusive of groups and individuals that others would exclude from community. His love motivates Him to make it easier rather than more difficult. He warned us that the greatest enemies of unity are religiously self-righteous people. Jesus went out of his way to make sure that all felt welcome and included without sacrificing the truth. The early church grappled with how many of the rules of their old Jewish life must be incorporated into this new way of living, especially toward the Gentiles. They made sure that they included only the necessary parts of the old way of life. Take a look at your own family, your own church community or your own neighbourhood and notice what it is that divides you from each other. For the most part, we lack knowledge of the one who is different than we are. We've heard stories and rumours, that might cause us to be afraid or cause us to make a judgement against another person. Often times this is done without any personal knowledge of the other. Some of us simply won't go out of our way to welcome others and expect them to make the first step, even though we are the established group of people in the family or the church or the neighbourhood. We've all known how uncomfortable it is to be a stranger and yet we find it so difficult to help alleviate isolation in the stranger.

We all know what it's like to be talked about behind our back or for others to form a judgement before they even get to know us, and yet we still do that to other people, knowing what it creates in them. Hospitality and generosity were the hallmarks of Jesus as he walked this earth, even in picking his original apostles, he picked from various groups of people from various social economic groups and various degrees of nationality and education. They were from different tribes and different areas. We can assume that this was purposeful, trying to teach us how the community of faith is to be built. He also gave his disciples so many opportunities to mess up, be forgiven and continue the journey of discipleship. How generous are we with forgiving others when they hurt us or is that the only reason we need to isolate them and reject them? Churches and families are not meant to be defensive groups of people who fight others off, but they are meant to be safe Havens, especially for those not welcome in other areas or groups. Is your church or family or neighbourhood elitist? Would strangers who walk into your church be welcomed and greeted? Is there always an extra plate on the table for the stranger who might show up to share a meal? Now more than ever we need to be a countercultural sign of unity with diversity modelled by love and acceptance. Let us build a community of faith and families of love that show the world what the kingdom of God is meant to be. Have a great week ahead. BE BLESSED AND BE A BLESSING.

**ENTRANCE ANTIPHON** The Lord is my light and my salvation; whom shall I fear? The Lord is the stronghold of my life; whom should I dread? When those who do evil draw near, they stumble and fall.

**RESPONSORIAL PSALM** With the Lord there is mercy and fullness of redemption.

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION** Alleluia, alleluia! If anyone loves me he will keep my word, and my Father will love him, and we shall come to him. Alleluia!

**COMMUNION ANTIPHON** The Lord is my rock, my fortress, and my deliverer; my God is my saving strength.

**QUESTION OF THE WEEK** What kind of spiritual workout can I plan for myself? What will I do daily to renew my spiritual self?

**COLLECTION FOR BISHOP DECLAN 15/16 JUNE** Bishop Declan served our diocese for 23 years and, as you know, has had to retire sooner than we hoped due to ill-health. As a parish, those who would like to contribute to a retirement gift for him are being given the opportunity to do so via a special collection next weekend. If you are away next weekend, you can place your donation into an envelope marked 'Bishop Declan' and drop into the collection over forthcoming weeks or into the presbytery. If you would prefer to contribute via internet banking, please use reference BISHOP Declan and pay into account or write a cheque payable to Christ The King indicating Bishop's retirement gift. Please continue to pray for Bishop Declan that he will have a comfortable and happy retirement. We will take up a second collection next weekend for Bishop Declan's retirement gift. Many thanks.

**WELCOME TO CHRIST THE KING!** We would like to extend a warm welcome to all our parishioners and visitors attending public Mass. Whether you are just passing through or looking for a spiritual home, we pray you find Christ the King inviting and spiritually uplifting. If you are attending Mass on a regular basis, we encourage you to register with the parish. Please call our parish office and start the conversation! To our visitors, we hope you enjoy your stay here in Amesbury. Our church is always open to you, your family, and friends. pax et bonum (peace and all good)

**PARISH CONTRIBUTIONS AND GENEROSITY A big thank** you for all your generous donations, which are greatly appreciated. If anyone would like to transfer to standing order or bank transfer, this would help to simplify our banking procedure. The Parish bank details are: Name: Christ the King Church, Amesbury, Bank: NatWest Account number 66286638 and Sort code-52-10-03. If you wish to remember the Parish in your Will, further information is available from the Parish Treasurer or office

**REST IN PEACE**-May those who have died enter into the mercy of God and the joy of the Kingdom.

**EVERYDAY PRAYERS ARE OFFERED FOR** -The elderly and infirm, the chronically ill and their caregivers. For those who attend to the dying and grieving; for medical professionals and first responders; for the homeless and those lost in this world; for those who harbor hatred and especially for those who have no one to pray for them. We also pray for all of those who suffer alone and for all who have died and their families too.

**VISITS TO THE SICK** If you cannot come to church because of illness, please be sure that we are notified so that we might minister to you either at home, hospital, or nursing or care homes. Because of confidentiality issues, we cannot come to you unless requested to do so by you or your family.

**CATHOLIC PRAYERS** Sometimes we can't find words to pray. At times like that we may be overwhelmed with something or unable to concentrate on words that describe what is in our hearts. By repeating a prayer we have memorised - we can focus on God and quiet our inner selves. One of the helpful benefits of having 'books of prayers' that we all say is that we can all pray the same words at the same time - sending God a prayer we share with each other! An example of this is the Rosary - like the one said after each week day Mass in the mornings. Some people participate in Taize Prayers at various times. These prayers make time spent praying as a group, special. Mass, the sacrifice of the Eucharist, is the most precious prayer we can say. "It is a Liturgy - part of the public worship or "work" of the Church and is "the summit and source of our Christian life..(I)n the Eucharist is found the entire treasure of the Church - Jesus Christ".

**DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE TO GLASTONBURY - SUNDAY 14TH JULY** -The Annual Pilgrimage to Glastonbury will take place on Sunday, 14th July 2024. This year's pilgrimage will be centred around the theme of 'Mary, Woman of Prayer'. From 12 noon until 3:00 pm, the Shrine Church will transform into a chapel of Exposition and Silent Adoration, offering a peaceful and contemplative environment just opposite the Abbey grounds. During this time, visiting priests will provide the sacrament of Reconciliation in the Shrine Church. In addition, from 12 noon until 3:00 pm, Private Healing Prayer will be offered in a single tented chapel located just inside the Abbey gates, opposite the Shrine Church. At 2:15 pm, the Rosary procession will commence in the Abbey grounds, followed by the Pilgrimage Mass at 3:30 pm, also held in the Abbey grounds.

**DAY ON THE HOLY EUCHARIST** 'A Bond of Love that cannot be undone' A number of our Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion are travelling together to this day which will be led by Fr Michael McAndrew at St Bernadette's. If you would like to join them, please contact the parish office in Salisbury as soon as possible. There is no

charge for this day and we are looking forward to a good day out together.

**RECONCILIATION** Confessions are held on Saturdays from 5:00 - 5:40 p.m. and other times by request only. You are always free to make an appointment with the priest to celebrate the Sacrament of Reconciliation.

**DEAR FRIENDS,** Today marks the 80th anniversary of the D-Day landings along the Normandy coast during World War II. This event, which ultimately led to the liberation of Europe, will be commemorated at around Europe. At the time, this operation was the largest naval, air, and land operation in history involving 156,000 British, American and Canadian troops. Throughout this past week many men and women who took part in this pursuit with ages ranging from 96 - 105 returned to Normandy to share memories of these historic events. Tomorrow the church also celebrates the Solemnity of the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus, which is First Friday; therefore, Mass will be celebrated at 6:00 p.m. and the Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament beginning from 5.00pm. In honouring the Sacred Heart of Jesus, we honour the compassion and love of Christ; his human heart that was moved with pity for his flock. Today, Jesus' heart remains forever aligned with those who believe in him. This weekend the church celebrates the 10th Sunday in Ordinary Time as church environment returns to green, a sign of hope. The scriptures focus on the way sin came into the world and the responsibility we have to take ownership for our actions aware of the consequences that stem from them. On a positive note, the readings remind us that people who sin remain beloved children of God. This weekend, ponder a time in your life

**SAINT OF THE WEEK SAINT ANTHONY OF PADUA** 1195 - 1231 Born Fernando Martins in Lisbon, Portugal, Fernando left his wealthy home at the age of 15 to join the Abbey of Santa Cruz. However, feeling drawn to a small Franciscan hermitage dedicated to St. Anthony of Egypt, he left the Abby, changed his name to Anthony, and joined the Franciscan Order. Entrusted to instructing the friars, Anthony relied on a book of psalms that contained his notes and comments when teaching. When a novice decided to leave the hermitage, he stole Anthony's book. Upon discovering the book was missing, Anthony prayed that the thief would return the book, and he did. St. Anthony has become known as the patron of lost articles. "The life of the body is the soul. The life of the soul is Christ." (St. Anthony of Padua)

**SPUC SALISBURY BRANCH** are holding a Market Stall in Salisbury Market Square on Saturday 22 June. Please come along and/or provide donations. We are looking for Books, DVDs, CDs, items in good condition, that you no longer want. Also homemade cakes & produce on the day i.e. Jams/Marmalades, Plants, Rhubarb. Please contact Alison Verrian on 01722 741681.

### MASS SCHEDULE STARTING FROM 8TH JUNE 2024

**SATURDAY 8TH JUNE MASS VIGIL MASS AT 6.00PM PRO POPULO**

**SUNDAY 9TH JUNE MASS AT 11.00AM ELAINE RIMMER, RIP (DONOR RICHARD RIMMER)**

**MONDAY 10TH JUNE ADORATION AT 9.00AM AND MASS AT 10.00AM JULIAN BEACHAM (HEALTH AND WELL-BEING)**

**TUESDAY 11TH JUNE ADORATION AT 9.00AM MASS AT 10.00AM ST BARNABAS, APOSTLE PATRICK MONAGHAN, RIP**

**WEDNESDAY 12TH JUNE NO ADORATION OR MASS**

**THURSDAY 13TH JUNE ADORATION AT 9.00AM MASS AT 10.00AM ST ANTHONY OF PADUA IN THANKS GIVING TO GOD ( DONOR JO CHAMBERS)**

**FRIDAY 14TH JUNE MASS AT EARLSTOKE PRISON AT 10.00AM ADORATION AT 5.00PM MASS AT 6.00PM**

**SATURDAY 15TH JUNE VIGIL MASS AT 6.00PM PRO POPULO**

**SUNDAY 16TH JUNE MASS AT 11.00AM IN THANKS GIVING TO GOD (DONOR JO CHAMBERS)**

**A SWEET ENDING TO A NEW BEGINNING** The conclusion of an academic year thrusts a bridge that is to be crossed with new opportunity. Thoughts of entrance into a new grade, new school, new level of education or into a career brings to light the fact that something valuable has been accomplished when back in September it appeared so far away. The end of a school year presents a challenge to all students to tackle a new mission that may be more demanding and complex, but springs forth growth and self-confidence. Eleanor Roosevelt once stated, “The future belongs to those who believe in the beauty of their dreams.” To those who will graduate this year, I offer some hearty congratulations in that the time spent at a particular learning institution unfastened windows of fresh air into your life that consisted of friends, teachers, academics, sports, social activities and purpose. These activities and people rendered encouragement to say, “I am part of the Class of 2024.” Now, the goal is to cross a bridge to a new destination with discoveries to cultivate unknown possibilities. It also raises thoughts of the blessings God bestows upon all who graduate. The bridge that gets crossed, leads to new findings, which serves the reminder that the scenery of yesterday begins to fade away. In addition to my congratulations to the Class of 2024, I extend my compliments to all parents, school administrators, teaching faculty and others who generated a foundation for these special people which enabled them to excel and believe in themselves. Sometimes educators from early years get forgotten; yet they play such an important role in the life of a graduate. I recall a particular crossing guard who developed bonds with young children and encouraged them to work hard to succeed. My dream for each graduate is to strive for excellence in his/her intellectual, physical, and spiritual livelihoods. What will my new school be like? What type of friends will enter my life? What type of job awaits me? Will I be successful? What opportunities will be there for me to use my blessing and gifts?

Luke’s Gospel speaks about Jesus increasing in wisdom. Wisdom is the ability to use all things that have been learned. This generation cares so much about the environment; wisdom directs us to follow through to recycle, plant trees, and conserve energy. Graduation enhances the ability to look back on a number of lives that were touched through years in an educational system, and the fact that at the most unexpected time a school companion or faculty member may resurface in life. Only a month ago I was approached by a student who was in my religion class back in 2002. His initial words to me were, “Do you remember me.” He was so excited to tell me about his life as well as brother, sisters, and mom. I have often chatted with school personnel who point out that whenever students return to their institutions of learning, “tough” teachers are flooded with visits from former students. This stems from the belief that students dislike complicated projects, lengthy assessments, endless reading, difficult tests and unreasonable demands; yet those classes generate a high level of competency that warrant much thankfulness in later years. Few of us like to work toward attaining our potential in that it calls for sacrifice from hobbies, fun, technology gadgets, and idleness. Demanding teachers prevent academic erosion; they also accept the fact that students teach them much about their teaching skills and methods of communicating knowledge, which is so important since book knowledge alone does not guarantee success. An effective teacher maintains the ability to clearly express information so that it is passed down to future generations. As the days of summer unfold with excitement about trips, adventures, rest, and the anticipation of a new school in the next academic year, my prayer for all graduates consists of thankfulness for not becoming discouraged when the journey got tough, not abandoning the ship during unexpected storms, and for a desire to pursue your dreams with hope that you never sell yourself short in life. God gifts all with a heartfelt character to attain goals through faith in Christ who never sets loose those who trust in him. In the words of St. John Bosco, “Walk with your feet on Earth, but in your heart be in Heaven.” Have a terrific summer!

**A WONDERFUL GROUP FROM THIS DEANERY HAS JUST RETURNED FROM A WEEK ON PILGRIMAGE WITH THE SOCIETY OF OUR LADY OF LOURDES- SACHA BLANCHARD-** A mixture of Assisted pilgrims, helpers and praying pilgrims, we came together to join a group of nearly 400 from all around the country to spend a week answering Our Lady’s call “to come here in Procession “ We laughed together, cried together, played together and prayed together; and as we return home, we hope and pray that something of this week will remain with us and that we will be changed by our Pilgrim experience. Our pilgrimage reminds us that above all we are called to serve God and one another. The presence of the sick amongst us reminds us of the deeper meaning of our lives. It reminds us of the emptiness the rat-race and self-centredness causes in our lives. Lourdes challenges all of us to learn that self-affirmation alone can only lead to arrogance, and that real self-fulfilment comes from giving and sharing. True self-fulfilment comes when we move beyond ourselves towards mercy and compassion, towards understanding and embracing others, towards helping and carrying those less fortunate than ourselves. Throughout a busy week of Masses, processions and events....and the spectacle of the International Military Pilgrimage...there were those moments when I was able to feel a kind of peace that I could accurately describe as passing all understanding. Moments of joy and laughter and rich tears and the beauty of deep connection. The moment I let myself want what I actually wanted - more of the beautiful feelings that come with and from our very presence and existence in the world - I started to experience them more. Without trying, without techniques, without practice, and without fear, I opened myself up to feel more of everything, and with everything came the very thing I’d been looking for the whole time - the glorious feeling of being alive.

We have been there for each other and we have enjoyed being together as brothers and sisters in Jesus Christ, despite our differences in age and in background, in our state of health and in our sense of personal well-being. That has been our experience in Lourdes. We came as one thing and we go away with an experience that is different to that we may have thought about. We go away with a different understanding of peace and serenity. We go away knowing that we have received more than we gave. We all go away a little humbler and realising that there are deeper dimensions to life than we tend to think of in the day to day business of our lives. Lourdes will always have a special place in my heart and if you feel the call of Our Lady to visit, then may I suggest that you answer Her and do so. The Clifton Diocese are on Pilgrimage from 23rd to 30th August and SOLL will be caring for ‘the Pilgrimage of the sick’ next year, in the last week of May. Our Lady of Lourdes, Pray for us. St Bernadette, Pray for us.

**YOUR PRAYER LIFE** God created us. He loves us. He wants each of us to have a personal relationship with Him. To have a relationship with God, there has to be Prayer! This is how we communicate with God. This week we can reflect on our ‘prayer life’ and ‘Catholic prayers and practices’. We can’t have a relationship with someone we never talk to. That’s where our Prayer Life comes in. Our faith has to be ‘personal’. So what is Prayer? It’s anything that brings us into a conversation with God. It can be just talking, or telling God about things going on in our lives. It can be thanking Him for things He’s given us. It can be saying the Our Father. Prayer begins in the heart. We can learn about the different ways there are to pray; different places to pray; and making a special place to pray. Even when we are very busy, we can always find time for the “Jesus Prayer” - Lord Jesus Christ, Son of God, have mercy on me, a sinner. **“Every Christian needs a half-hour of prayer each day, except when he/she is busy, then he/she needs an hour.” St Francis de Sales**

**PARISH BBQ** on Sunday 30th June at Christ The King from 12.30pm. This will be an event for the whole parish and we hope that parishioners will come along and join in what promises to be a wonderful social occasion. If you would like to contribute in any way to the success of this event, do let us know and watch this space for more details to follow. Mark the date in your diary now!

**ON THE WAY- SYMBOLS OF THE SPIRIT: WATER** God cannot be comprehended by our minds or exhausted by our images. As if to confirm this point, the Holy Spirit reveals himself by fire but also by its exact opposite, water. This symbol has deep biblical roots and meaning. Scripture’s first mention of water comes with its first mention of the spirit of God: “the Spirit of God was moving over the face of the waters” (Gen 1:2). It’s clear from the get-go that these two are intimately connected. And so, throughout Scripture water is a symbol of the Spirit. Now, there is something both dangerous and healthy about water. It has the power to destroy and to give life. Thus, the waters of the great flood in the days of Noah brought both an end to sin and a new beginning of goodness (cf. Rite of Baptism). The waters of the Red Sea both destroyed the persecutors of God’s People and set the Israelites free for God. Like fire, there is something beautiful and salvific about water – and something dangerous. The Spirit comes to save us, but we must not treat him lightly or carelessly. Our Lord brings these images to fulfilment. In his own Baptism he descends into the waters to signify a death and a rebirth, his coming burial and resurrection. He is entombed in the waters and then rises from them. He tells Nicodemus that one must be reborn of “water and the Spirit” and speaks to the Samaritan woman about the living water that he will give. Jesus later bestows the Holy Spirit as a saving water that both destroys and gives life. By the power of the Holy Spirit – in Baptism and Confession most especially – we are freed from sin; our captor is vanquished, and we are freed for worship.

The work of the Spirit corresponds to water’s uses. As water cleanses, so the Spirit washes our souls from sin. This happens definitively in Baptism and Confession but should be a deepening reality throughout our lives. “Wash me more and more,” we pray in Psalm 51. We want the cleansing water of the Spirit to fill every nook and cranny of our sin-stained souls. Water brings new life. This might not be as obvious to us here in suburbia. Although even here people will say, “We need the rain.” But the life-giving power of water is clearer in the arid region of Israel. Life was lived in anticipation and as a result of the rains, rivers, and seas. Water was a blessing and the stopping of it a curse. So the Spirit, descending upon us more and more, produces life in our souls. This work requires us to acknowledge the arid lifelessness of our spiritual lives. Further, water nourishes each plant to grow into the fullness of what it is. When you water an acorn, it doesn’t grow into a fig tree (however much it might like to), and a watered flower bed doesn’t grow into kudzu. So the Spirit falls upon each of us, to bring the growth that God desires for each one of us. There is one Spirit. But his watering of the Church produces a great variety of gifts. Before he ascended into heaven, our Lord told his disciples, “John baptised with water, but in a few days you will be baptised with the holy Spirit” (Acts 1:5) Baptism in water means, technically, full immersion. One goes down into the water and is fully covered. That is how our Lord wants us to understand our relationship with the Holy Spirit. He’s not something we just dabble with, but a Person in whom we are completely immersed, so that we can rise to ever greater life.

**200 CLUB WINNERS FOR MAY**-1st Mary Campbell £25, 2nd Paul O’Leary £15, 3rd Deborah Stone £10. Many congratulations to the winners. Our grateful thanks and gratitude go to Carol Crossland for her hardwork in organising it. Thank you and God bless you!

**RESPONSE TO THE EUCHARIST**-The late 1980s movie *Romero* is a biography of Archbishop Oscar Romero of San Salvador who was martyred while saying Mass at the height of the death squads that were part of many Central American authoritarian regimes in the 1970s and 1980s. (Romero was canonised as a martyr in 2018 by Pope Francis.) While the movie understandably focuses on his care and advocacy for the people of El Salvador while they are being oppressed by a corrupt government, there is a scene in the film that can easily be lost. In it, after Romero is determined to be a thorn in the side of the government, they begin to make his life miserable. A small squad of military men enter his church, bark insults, issue warnings for him to be quiet, and then shoot their machine guns at the Tabernacle of the church spreading the Eucharist all over the sanctuary. Romero’s immediate reaction is to risk his life in the spray of bullets and rescue Jesus in the Eucharist. He gets on his knees and begins to pick up every host and fragment and returns it to a ciborium (the receptacle that holds the Eucharist in the Tabernacle). The gunmen stop shooting and hold their heads in shame as they see his reverence and love.

The scene says something about Saint Oscar’s love for the Eucharist. It also presents a question to any believer: “What would I do if a similar desecration happened in my presence?” It is a common theme in Eucharistic teaching that its frequency and common appearance lends itself to being taken for granted. “That’s just bread.” “It’s too simple to be God.” “How can bread become God?” All these things permeate our minds. But if He is desecrated in front of us, how would we respond? As we have celebrated Corpus Christi and the gift of Jesus in the Eucharist, we are reminded of the gift of His presence, His teaching about Himself (“my flesh is true food and my blood is true drink”), and our need to revere Him in His Real Presence. Jesus is either present as He says, or He is not. There is no in-between. The desecration of Jesus in the Eucharist that Saint Oscar witnessed brought him to the foundation of His faith and he even risked his life to protect it. He believed and trusted. In a less believing and less trusting world, the Eucharist is the Lord’s presence. His call to gather becomes even more important for our faith and our witness to Jesus’ presence in the world. Corpus Christi and the response of the saints to Jesus *in* the Eucharist are reminders of our need to respond to Him in love, trust, and courage.

**PLEASE PRAY FOR CHILDREN PREPARING FOR SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION: Confirmation on Tuesday June 18th at 7.00pm at St. Gregory’s Salisbury.** The parish community is invited to pray for our faith formation students who will receive the Sacrament of Confirmation in June. Candidates have prepared to receive the Sacrament with the support of their parents, family, catechists, and the entire community. Thanks to all for nurturing our children on their journey. There will be a meeting for Confirmation candidates on Saturday 15th June at 4.00pm. Please continue to check the bulletin for updates in our Religious Education Programme.

**ALTAR FLOWERS** Altar Flowers are a symbol of grace, prayer, and virtue. They are a reminder to us of God’s beautiful creation. Fresh altar flowers are a great way to honour a loved one for a special occasion such as a Birthday, Wedding Anniversary, or to remember a loved one on the anniversary of their passing. Your honourarium will be published in the bulletin the weekend the altar flowers are to be given. Please note that flowers cannot be given during the seasons of Advent and Lent. Please contact Ann Larke or Father Saji in the Parish Office or send an email.

**LOURDES PILGRIMAGE-** A group of our parishioners has just returned from a week in Lourdes. We would like to invite them to share some of their memories and experiences of the pilgrimage which will be included in next week’s bulletin.

**THE POPE’S JUNE PRAYER INTENTION** For migrants fleeing their homes—We pray that migrants fleeing from war or hunger, forced to undertake journeys full of danger and violence, find welcome and new opportunities in the countries that receive them.