

Looking Forward



A Church That Looks Forward



~ In the Year of St Joseph ~
~ In the Year of the Family ~



21st November 2021 :

Christ the King

In the Gospel of John,
Jesus says :

“Everyone who is of
the truth, hear my
voice.”



As we come to the end of the Liturgical Year and celebrate the feast of Christ the King, Jesus says “Hear my voice”.

It is not enough simply to hear Jesus’ voice.

We also need to act upon His Word.

How have we followed Jesus?

What are we going to do to make a difference looking forward?

“LORD, WHERE THERE IS DOUBT LET ME SOW FAITH.”

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Pope Francis describes Saint Joseph as a beloved father, a tender and loving father, an obedient father, an accepting father; a father who is creatively courageous, a working father, a father in the shadows. There are a number of schools in the diocese dedicated to the Patron of the Universal Church St Joseph. These are the primary schools at Barking, Dagenham, Canvey Island, Harwich, Upminster, South Woodham Ferrers and Stanford-le-Hope, the infants and junior schools at Leyton and St Joseph the Worker, Hutton.



Feast day of Saint Cecilia, 22nd November



St Cecilia is the patron saint of musicians, her feast day often being celebrated with concerts and musical events. She symbolizes the role of music in the Liturgy of the Church. She lived in Roman times and was executed for her beliefs. At her wedding, she was reputed to have sung her heart to God and was responsible for the conversion of her husband, who was baptized by Pope Urban I.

“True love frees us from the
sour taste of envy.”

(Pope Francis, *Amoris Laetitia*)



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