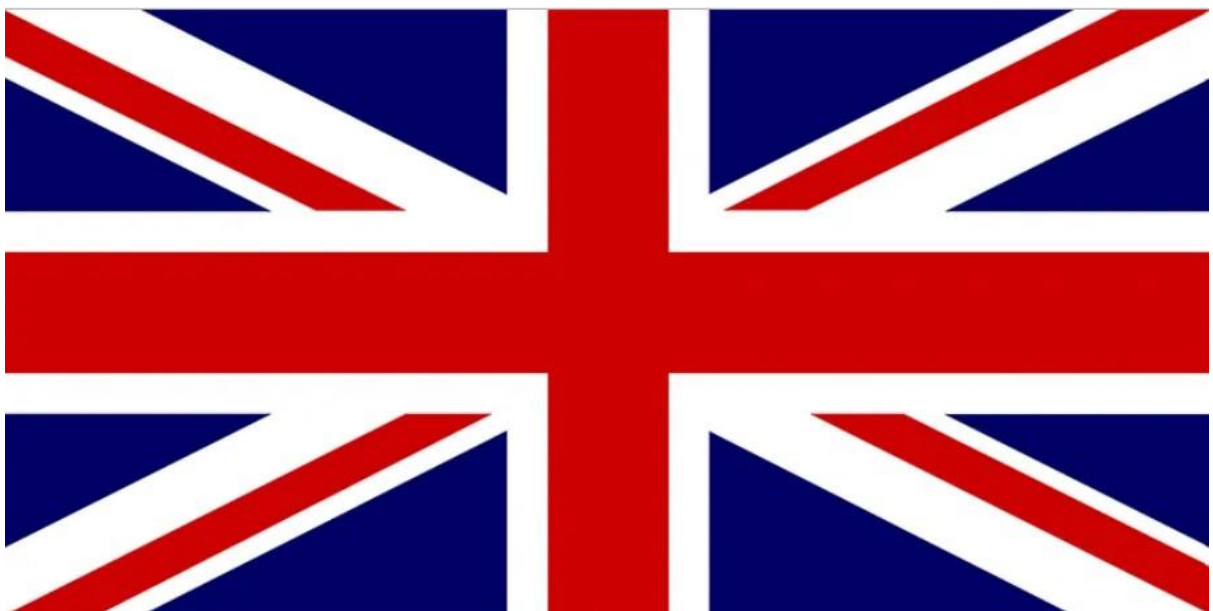




**St Matthew's celebrating  
King Charles III's coronation**





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## Some objects used or presented at a coronation

**Questions** Look at each object – What does it tell you?  
What questions do you have about its past? Find out about the history of each object.  
How far does this answer your questions?



**The Swords of Temporal Justice, Spiritual Justice and Curtana**



The **Sword of Temporal Justice** represents the monarch's role as head of the Armed Forces.  
The **Sword of Mercy (Curtana)** is a blunted sword to symbolise mercy.  
The **Sword of Spiritual Justice** comes from the 14th century.

**Crown Jewels and Imperial State Crown**



The **Imperial State Crown** is the crown that the monarch wears at King's Coronation. The **orb** is used to represent the crown's power and governance, and the **sceptre** symbolises that the monarch's power is derived from God.

**The Throne (Coronation Chair)**



The **Throne** was made in 1296 and has been used since 1534. The seat has a hole in it to accommodate the Stone. The **Stone of Scone** was used to crown the kings of Scotland and was **sequestered** there. In 1986, the stone was returned to the Scottish people, although it is retained by agreement by Westminster Abbey for coronations.





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