

Third Sunday of Advent: Gaudete Sunday

We have had two weeks of preparation now, preparing for the arrival (arrival is 'advent' in Latin) of Jesus.

We are preparing not for the advent of the Lord 2,000 years ago but His Second Coming / Advent at the end of time, when this world will pass away.

In this second half of these weeks of preparation we focus on the Lord's first Coming more intently learning from those who missed Him the first-time round, ensuing that history will not repeat itself and we will be found ready to greet the Lord like the 5 wise bridesmaids, with our laps trimmed and with plenty of oil.

After two weeks of preparation we are 'pregnant with anticipation' we are 'expectant' and like Mary we are preparing for the Lord to be seen. Let's ask for Mary's prayers in these last days of Advent.



Parish Mission Statement:

"We are here to make Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament better known, loved, honoured, worshiped and adored. All of our efforts in this parish will be geared towards helping every individual to discover the Lord waiting for them to approach Him in the tabernacle".

Sacramental Preparation in the Parish



Baptism preparation:

The next
Preparation
course
begins in the
New Year.



Confession:

Available 30mins before every Mass and:

5pm Sat 6pm Tues 11am Fri



First Confession and Holy

Saturday 13th
January at
10am

Communion:



Confirmation class:

Sunday 21st
January
11:15am



Marriage Preparation:

It takes approx.

1 year to
prepare for
Marriage.
Catholics must
be Confirmed
before
Marriage.



Holy Orders:

If you have ever considered a Vocation to the Priesthood / Deaconate, please speak to Fr John.



Last Rites:

If there is ever the danger of death, please contact Fr John immediately.



Confession Times:

30mins before every Mass & 5pm on Saturdays 6pm on Tuesday 11.00am on Fridays Or by appointment



Adoration of the Most Blessed Sacrament:

Tuesday 6pm Friday 11.00am Saturday 5pm

Benediction: 5:45pm on Saturdays



Family Catechesis:

Learn about our faith as a family.... Every two weeks at 10am on Saturday mornings



Devotions:

Holy Rosary: Wed after Mass

Fri 11:30am
First Friday: Every first
Friday



Adult Formation sacredheartbordon.co.uk

Tuesday evenings are given over to Adult formation.

The homily during Mass is in an extended form (looking more closely at the previous Sunday's Gospel) and then after Mass there is a formation session aimed at exploring the fundamental elements of our Catholic faith.

Opposite is an overview of the topics that we will be covering.

EVERYONE is welcome to attend as much or as little as they like.

The session after Mass begins at 7:45pm and ends at 8:30pm.

Even if you cannot make a weekly commitment, come along when you can!

October

- What is God?
- What is Man?
- Original Sin: The separation between God and Man
- Covenants between God and Man
- Jesus Christ True God and True Man

November

- The Immaculate Conception
- Two types of Grace
- The Saints
- Purgatory

December

- Advent: What is it?
- The Eucharistic Prayer
- Transubstantiation
- The Sacraments

January

- The Epiphany and Christmastide
- The presentation of the Lord
- Jesus' Public Ministry

February

- The Church
- Membership and Precepts
- Lent: what is it?
- Repentance and Penance

March

- The Sacrament of Confession
- Virtues and Vices
- The 10 Commandments and an examination of conscience
- The Sacred Triduum Easter and Eastertide



<u> Christmas Mass times:</u>

Christmas Eve:

<u>Christmas Day:</u> <u>Christmas Octave:</u> 5:30pm Family Mass

11:30pm Carols by candlelight followed by Midnight Mass

10am

10am (weekdays 26th Dec – 1st Jan)

Sacramental / formation sessions

Our sacramental preparation and formation sessions will rest over the Christmas Octave. The sessions will begin in 2024 on:

Monday 8th Jan: Bible Study

Tuesday 9th Jan: RCIA (Adult Formation)
Thursday 11th Jan: Pipe Band practice
Saturday 13th Jan: First Holy Communion

Sunday 21st Jan: Confirmation

Christmas Mass times

Unusually, this year the 4th Sunday of Advent falls on Christmas Eve. This means we have the usual Sunday Masses plus the Christmas Masses. The times are at the top of this page.

Parish Pilgrimage to Fatima

I have heard from Northern Star (the Pilgrimage Co-ordinators) and they have confirmed our Pilgrimage Dates to Fatima.

We are looking at Monday 15th – Fri 19th April. I have a booking form which will need to be completed and returned with a deposit of £200.

A link to the hotel we will be staying in is here:

https://www.hotelcinquentenario.com/

Christmastide

On Christmas day we begin a period in the Church's Liturgical year called 'Christmastide'. This season lasts until the Feast of the Presentation of the Lord (also known as 'Candlemas') which is on 2nd February. So, although society will put away Christmas for another year by 6th January, the church continues to celebrate 'Christmastide' for a bit longer!

Poinsettia for Christmas



If you would like to donate a poinsettia to the help decorate the church for Christmas, please bring them along.



PARISH NATIVITY

THIS WEEKEND at

3:00pm

Please do come along and support the youth of the parish.

Bring family and friends too!

Month dedicated to the Immaculate Conception





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Faith Formation opportunities: Advent Bible Studies:

Every Monday after 10am Mass

Advent Faith Formation:

Every Tuesday after 7:00pm Mass

Adore the Lord in Adoration:

Every Sat 5pm Tues 6pm Fri 11am

Go to Confession:

Every Sat 5pm Tues 6pm Fri 11am

Attend the early morning Mass:

0730am every Wednesday

The Christmas
Octave refers to
the days that
follow Christmas
Day. On each of
the days of the
Octave a
different aspect
of the Mystery of
God becoming
Man is unpacked
for us.





2023 November Mass List

Aidan Woods RIP

Anna & Paul Pissarek RIP

Anne Canale RIP

Audrey Waters RIP

Bernadette Haydn RIP

Brian and Judith Tiddeman RIP

Canon Richard Hind RIP

Catherine Chong RIP

Cecilia Brennan RIP

Child-Thomas Family RIP

Chip Chirairo RIP

Christine Seke RIP

Christopher Nyirenda RIP

Delaney Family RIP

Emelinda Conception Lu RIP

Eric, Evelyn, Zilvinces, Anoluis, Breonines,

Povilas, Jadvyga RIP

Feliz Gomez RIP

Francis Goh RIP

Friends and family of the Lees and Rogerson

Families RIP

Gabriel Mendy RIP

Galvin Family RIP

George Gopurathingal RIP

Grey Family RIP

Grigg Family RIP

Hays Family RIP

Helena Galvin RIP

Helena Kroczek RIP

Henry and Nellie Mallison RIP

Ingeborg & Rudolf Mansel RIP

Ingeborg Schipper RIP

Inocent D'Souza and Family RIP

James Woods RIP

Jeffery Jude Lee Beng Chen RIP

Jim Brennan RIP

Jim Ralston RIP

John Coffey RIP

John Mallison RIP

Joster Makunje RIP

Jozef Buolxiszewska RIP

Kokoszko Family RIP

Lechicki Family RIP

Margaret Costello RIP

Maria and Josef Neumann RIP

Maria, Alex Fedyna, Richard Kosinski RIP

Marianna Buolxiszewska RIP

Marta Cemova RIP

Martin Galvin RIP

Mary White RIP

McEneaney Kennedy Murgatroyd Family RIP

Needs Family and Friends RIP

Parmenter Family RIP

Patricia Pethybridge RIP

Pawlak, Bogienko, Gorka, Wilanowski, Matuszuk RIP

Peter Ede RIP

Pisani Family RIP

Reginald Needs RIP

Rev Fr Eddie Richer RIP

Richard Kosinski RIP

RIP John Waller RIP

Roskilly Family RIP

Sharon Galvin RIP

Stanistowski Family RIP

Tawonga Makunje RIP

Terence Michael Daines RIP

Theressiamma Varghese RIP

Tom and Peggy Sheraton RIP

A Holy Mass will be offered for each intention above and all listed are prayed for collectively every weekend and Holy Day in the Intercessions.

Saturday 16 th Dec Third Week of Advent	Joyful Mysteries	Dedicated to the Blessed Virgin Mary
Adoration:	5:00pm – 5:45pm	
Confessions:	5:00pm – 5:45pm	
Holy Mass:	6:00pm	James and Adian Woods RIP [N]
Sunday 17 th Dec Third Week of Advent	Glorious Mysteries	Dedicated to the Resurrection
Holy Mass:	10:00am	Peter Ede RIP [N]
Monday 18 th Dec Third Week of Advent	Joyful Mysteries	Dedicated to the Holy Souls
Holy Mass:	10:00am Grey, Kokos	szko, Wadolkowski and Lechicki families RIP [N]
Tuesday 19 th Dec Third Week of Advent	Sorrowful Mysteries	Dedicated to the Holy Angels
Adoration:	6:00pm – 6:45pm	
Confessions:	6:00pm – 6:45pm	
Holy Mass:	7:00pm	
Adult Formation Session	7:45-8:30pm	Theressiamma Varhese RIP [N]
Wednesday 20 th Dec Third Week of Advent	Glorious Mysteries	Dedicated to Saint Joseph
Holy Mass:	07.30am	George Gopurathingal RIP [N]
Friday 22 nd Dec Third Week of Advent	Sorrowful Mysteries	Dedicated to the Holy Cross
Adoration:	11:00am – 11:45am	
Confessions:	11:00am – 11:45am	
Holy Mass:	12 noon	Innocent D'Souza and family RIP [N]
Saturday 23 rd Dec Fourth Week of Advent	Joyful Mysteries	Dedicated to the Blessed Virgin Mary
Adoration:	5:00pm – 5:45pm	
Confessions:	5:00pm – 5:45pm	
Holy Mass:	6:00pm	Ingeborg and Rudolf Mansel RIP [N]
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