



## St Saviour's, Abbots Langley & Our Lady Mother of the Saviour, Chipperfield

*Served by the Society of the Divine Saviour – The Salvatorians*

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**Parish Office hours: Tuesday 9am – 3pm & Friday: 9am-1pm**

**A Warm Welcome to you! If you are new to the parish, please introduce yourself to the Priest & to other parishioners. Census Forms are available at the back of the Church!**

**For many of us, the countdown to [Christmas 2021](#) is on!** Whether you're religious or simply enjoy Christmas a national holiday, it's a time for [feasts](#), present-giving and making precious memories with our loved ones. If you aren't a member of the [Christian faith](#), though, you probably skip to 'advent calendars' when you think of [Advent](#). But these weeks running up to Christmas Day mark a very important period in the Christian calendar. Here's what you need to know. **When is the first Sunday of Advent this year?** Advent begins this year on Sunday, November 28. The season lasts for four Sundays and the following weeks. This takes us through the remainder of November and every day in December, until Christmas Eve. In 2021, Christmas Eve (December 24) takes place on a Friday, meaning Christmas Day (December 25) is on Saturday. Of course, this differs from many advent calendars we see in shops, which typically start on December 1. **What does the first Sunday of Advent represent?** In the West, Advent is a time to prepare for the upcoming celebrations of the Nativity (birth) of Jesus Christ. The Church also takes this time to remember the anticipation felt by the Jews (or Israelites, as they were called then), as they awaited the prophesied coming of the Messiah.

### MASS INTENTIONS –November / December

<b>Saturday 27<sup>th</sup>: Feria</b>	<b>17.00: Evan Cecil Evans + (Anniversary)</b>	<b>Confessions:</b> Saturday on call during Covid-19 Also available during monthly Adoration & upon request.  <b>Adoration every Friday 9.00am before Mass.</b>  <b>Baptisms &amp; Marriages:</b> Contact Parish office to make appointment (preferably by e-mail)  <b>Signing of School Applications, Legal Documents etc.:</b> This will be carried out every Wednesday 5pm-7pm. <b>Sunday Readings: Year C</b> <b>Weekday Readings: Year I</b>
<b>Sunday 28<sup>th</sup>: +1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of Advent</b>	<b>08.30: Betty O'Reilly + Mark Bryson+ Frances Toland + 11.30: Michael Joseph Dillon +</b>	
<b>Monday 29<sup>th</sup>: Advent Feria</b>	<b>10.00: Anne Davis + (Anniversary)</b>	
<b>Tuesday 30<sup>th</sup>: St Andrew, Apostle, Patron of Scotland</b>	<b>10.00: Bernard &amp; Martina (a special Int)</b>	
<b>Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> December: Advent Feria</b>	<b>10.00: Mary Rooney + (Anniversary)</b>	
<b>Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup>: Advent Feria</b>	<b>10.00: Michael Joseph Dillon + Family Mass at 12pm</b>	
<b>Friday 3<sup>rd</sup>: St Francis Xavier, Priest</b>	<b>10.00: Anthony &amp; Winnie (Intentions) 17.00: All Souls</b>	
<b>Saturday 4<sup>th</sup>: Advent Feria</b>	<b>17.00: Michael Joseph Dillon + and Mary McAuliffe +</b>	
<b>Sunday 5<sup>th</sup>: +2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Advent</b>	<b>08.30: Rose Wang + (Anniversary), Emily Gibbins +, Alfred Gibbins + (Birthday memorial) 11.30:</b>	

**Please Pray for those who are sick, especially:** Helen Downing, Hilary Usher, Jean Bradford, Tracey Jefferson, Breda Dale, Trevor Redpath, Mary-Kate Muir, Jane Broom, Stephen Hughes, Amy & Family, Paul Murray, Eileen Healy, Ann Long, Kathleen Masterson, George Crawford, Gediminas Moliejus, Alice O'Sullivan, Debbie Fisher, Mary Bianchi, Maria Di Lima, Peter & Christine Aldridge, Mary Murphy, Michael Murphy, Frances Plough-Wright, Catherine Nolan.

Offertory total for the month of October totalled: £3340.37 for envelopes & loose & £3292.33 for standing orders, received with much thanks!

As lots of you are aware we have had lots of unexpected expenses since the visit of the fire brigade – they have advised us to improve our fire security and therefore we have had to order 2 fire exit doors, replace the door into the sacristy, install emergency lighting and a fire alarm. As well as a problematic ongoing leaking roof. These works are estimated to cost around £8000 so any donations to the Parish to help us to cover these costs would be so very much appreciated!

The Parish quiz night last Friday was a great success – a big thank you to all those who helped to make the night possible. We raised £385 in total which is fantastic!!

**PARISH SUPPORT Project:** Our very successful & much needed food bank is expanding so please see poster at the back of the church for information on how you can help & items that are required. We do hope to give regular updates on the progress of 'Parish Support' in terms of what items are required at a particular time, whether we are running low on certain items, and whether we have a surplus of items, as at the moment, we have a mountain of baked beans and a proliferation of pasta!!!!  
Thanking you all for your generosity & continued support.

### Upcoming Parish Dates:

**Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> November:** *Baptism Preparation class* at 9.30am

**Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> December:** *Parish Seniors Christmas Lunch from 12.45pm.* Please join us for a 3-course lunch priced at £12per person. Book your space online via the parish website under the 'events' tab or call the parish office on 01923 266177. It is sure to be a wonderfully festive afternoon!

**Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> December:** *Parish Children's Christmas Party 2pm-4pm.* Join us for dancing, games, food & a visit from a special guest. For children children aged 11 & under. £5 per child - to book your childs place, please write you details down on the list at the back of the church.

**Second Collection:** The second weekend of Advent there will be a second collection in aid of the fire security costs which we have recently incurred.

### **Watford Food bank's CHRISTMAS GIFTS Appeal:**

Once again we are supporting this initiative which with your generous donations will mean that vulnerable local children have presents to open on Christmas morning.... For some children the only present they received on Christmas Day was the one donated by the charity.

If you have toys you would like to donate then please bring them to the Church or Parish office the first & second weekend of Advent; unwrapped, wrapped or in a gift bag and labelled with age & if suitable for a boy or a girl.

*2021 has been a difficult year & every child deserves to end it with a happy Christmas!*



### **Christmas Mass Times**

Please note this year's Mass times over the Christmas period are as follows:

**Christmas Eve, Friday 24<sup>th</sup>**  
December: **3pm & 5pm**  
**Children's Mass**  
**9pm Midnight Mass**

**Christmas Day, Saturday 25<sup>th</sup>**  
December: **8.30am & 11am**

**Boxing Day, Sunday 26<sup>th</sup>**  
December: **8.30am & 11.30am**

Zoom Liturgy has started again & we would love to invite the children to join again. If you have not already signed a consent form please email [aoifewoodman@outlook.com](mailto:aoifewoodman@outlook.com) and we will be happy to get your children signed up. God Bless, The Liturgy Team

**IMPORTANT:** Dear Friends, there is a scam email ([parishpriest84@gmail.com](mailto:parishpriest84@gmail.com)) going around & using my name Father Richard Mway sds asking for a donation of £500 towards the treatment of a seminarian in Africa. Please report this as soon as possible & do not pay. The email & names are forgeries.

### **The 'Blue' Christmas or Memory Tree**

This year during Advent we are having a 'blue' Christmas Tree which is for those who wish to remember a loved one or someone they are unable to be with during the festive season.

In memory, write their name on the blue tag and hang on the tree.



Sanctuary lamps may be lit for the personal intentions of Parishioners. Please enquire at the sacristy after Mass. The Sanctuary Lamps will burn for:

1. Christian Armel Kuitcha (Ints)
2. Christian Kuitcha (Ints)

### **Baptism**

#### **Preparation**

**Class:** We will be holding our next class on **Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> November at 9.30am** here at **St Saviours**. This class is for first time parents who would like to have their child Baptised. Please contact the Parish office if you would like to attend.