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Saint Paul's Harefield

Mass daily at 9.15am ... Sunday Vigil Mass Saturday 6.30pm Sunday Masses ... 9.00am and 11.00am Rosary each weekday morning after Mass ... Confessions 6.00pm Saturday

Online Morning Prayer; 8.00am Online Night Prayer: 9.00pm

Please note: this church is live-streamed 24 hours per day https://www.churchservices.tv/harefield

First Sunday of Advent ... 3<sup>rd</sup> December 2023

## Mass intentions

Saturday 2 <sup>nd</sup> December	6.30pm	Eddie and Phyliss Sinnott
Sunday 3 <sup>rd</sup> December	9.00am	Tony O'Sullivan R.I.P
Sunday 3 <sup>rd</sup> December	11.00am	Terence Jellie R.I.P.
Monday 4th December	9.15am	Carol and John Stopplecamp R.I.P.
Tuesday 5 <sup>th</sup> December	9.15am	Jessie and James Hart
Wednesday 6th December	9.15am	Holy souls
Thursday 7th December	9.15am	Special intention
Friday 8th December	9.15am	Michael McAlerne R.I.P.
Saturday 9th December	9.15am	Edmundo Fernandes R.I.P.

#### **Advance Notice**

GAUDETE SUNDAY CELEBRATION ... SUNDAY 17th DECEMBER 2023 (3pm)

# THEME: CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS

The Gaudete Sunday celebration will include a short children's film, poems, songs, Christmas Jumper Competition and a visit from Father Christmas. (followed by Mulled Wine & Mince Pies)

# Additionally, there will be a Grand Christmas Raffle

### TWELVE PRIZES

1<sup>ST</sup> Prize - LED lit Nativity Set (worth £84)

2<sup>ND</sup> Prize - Christmas Hamper

3<sup>RD</sup> Prize - The Lord's Prayer set in Olive Wood

Plus nine other prizes - Please see poster in church entrance

Tickets now on sale at £1 each

#### MONTHLY MISCELLANY

https://parish.rcdow.org.uk/harefield/wp-content/uploads/sites/148/2023/12/A-MONTHLY-MISCELLANY-December-2023-1.pdf



Christmas gifts: A new stock of Christmas cards and other Christmas items is now available in the repository

### **GIVING TREE**

The giving tree for The Catholic Workers Farm will operate a little differently this year. Scott isn't sure who will be resident at Christmas and has asked for unwrapped items that can be allocated on Christmas eve. If you wish to give a gift please take a label, buy the gift and put it in one of the bags near the giving tree. PLEASE DO NOT WRAP gifts. Thank you

### Caritas Advent Calendars

As in previous years we are using the Caritas Advent Calendar as a guide to collect food for Help the Homeless Hillingdon. Please consider taking a printed copy or use the QR code to download it to your phone. All the items collected will be taken to Olympic House (near Hillingdon Hospital) which is a shelter for the street homeless until they can find permanent accommodation.

### DOOR WREATH WORKSHOPS

Please sign up this weekend if you would like to join one of the sessions. We need to know how many will be coming so that enough plant material is provided. .SATURDAY 9<sup>TH</sup> & SUNDAY 10<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER 2-4 PM Cost £20 (£15 IF YOU BRING YOUR OWN FRAME)

**13 December, 7 – 8pm: Aid to the Church in Need Christmas Carol Service.** The Oratory, Brompton Road, London, SW7 2RP. Celebrate Christ's coming with uplifting traditional music by The Schola Cantorum of the London Oratory School, conducted by Charles Cole with organ and brass ensemble. Free. Collection taken for ACN's work with persecuted Christians. Book here

**14 December, 7.30pm: Friends of the Holy Land Christmas Concert.** Our Lady of Victories Church, 235a Kensington High Street, London, W8 6SA. With the London Male Voice Welsh Choir. Tickets £30 https://www.friendsoftheholyland.org.uk/Event/christmas-concert-2023

**18 December, 12.30-1.30pm: Monthly Prayer Vigil outside the Home Office –** Organised by Westminster Justice & Peace, London Catholic Worker and the London Churches Refugee Fund to pray for migrants seeking safe passage to the UK. Marsham Street, SW1P4DF. Contact Barbara Kentish barbarakentish@talktalk.net

The 7-Day sanctuary candle and the 7-day candle for Our Lady's Chapel are sponsored this coming week by the Sinclair family.