

8<sup>th</sup> December 2024 **SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT** Year C Psalter Week 2

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Sunday 8 <sup>th</sup> Dec 2024	<b>SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT</b>	7.30pm (Sat) 9am 11am 6pm	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Those preparing for Sacraments</li><li>• Holy Souls</li><li>• People of the Parish</li><li>• Rita Johnson (Recently Dec.)</li></ul>
Monday	<b>THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY</b>	7.30pm	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• People of the Parish</li></ul>
Tuesday	Our Lady of Loreto	9.30am	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Andre (Int)</li></ul>
Wednesday	Saint Damasus I, Pope	9.30am	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Censu &amp; Josephine (Rip)</li></ul>
Thursday	Our Lady of Guadalupe	9.30am	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Holy Souls</li></ul>
Friday	St Lucy, Virgin & Martyr	7pm	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Holy Souls</li></ul>
Saturday	St John of the Cross, Priest & Doctor	12.30pm	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>•</li></ul>
Sunday 15 <sup>th</sup> Dec 2024	<b>THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT GAUDETE</b>	7.30pm (Sat) 9am 11am 6pm	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Holy Souls</li><li>• People of the Parish</li><li>• Sean &amp; Family (Int)</li><li>• -</li></ul>

*Confession and Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament: Saturday from 11.30am until 12.30pm Mass*

*The Rosary is prayed 9am daily on Zoom: 020 8080 6591 - Meeting ID: 407 1152792 - Password: 1868*

### PARISH EVENTS

**FEAST OF IMMACULATE CONCEPTION:** This is the feast during which our parish celebrated its first Mass in 1868. This year it will be celebrated on Monday 9<sup>th</sup> December. At 7.30pm. All are welcome!

**CHRISTMAS EVE FAMILY MASS:** This year will start at 5.30pm with Children's Nativity.

**ADVENT MORNING PRAYER:** Early Morning Prayer is sung in the church Monday to Friday at 6.30am . All welcome.

**JOIN US FOR OUR 2024 CHRISTMAS PARTY:** on Friday 20<sup>th</sup> December from 8pm. Music and carol singing. Christmas raffle. Food and drinks available for purchase. £1 entry.

**THREAT TO LIFE:** Please read the message from Bishop John Sherrington overleaf.

**RESPONSE TO THE PSALM:** 'What marvels the Lord worked for us! Indeed we were glad.'

**READINGS:** Baruch 5:1-9 Philippians 1:4-6, 8-11 Luke 3:1-6

**HOLY COMMUNION:** for children in school year 3 and above, and **YOUTH CONFIRMATION** year 9 up to about 17 years of age: If you want to enrol in any of these, Applications are available from the back of the church.

**FUNERAL OF MARGARET RAMANATH (FORMERLY INNES) IS ON WEDNESDAY 18<sup>th</sup> DECEMBER AT 9.30AM.**

**RIGHT TO LIFE UK:** We can still defeat assisted suicide! There is a clear path toward the assisted suicide Bill being defeated at Third Reading. Early analysis shows that at least 36 MPs supported the Bill but have concerns that mean they may vote NO at later stages. Just 28 MPs switching their stance to NO would ensure it is defeated at Third Reading. We need MPs to know that their constituents want them to vote NO at Third Reading. Please take action now and visit [www.righttolife.org.uk/ASvote](http://www.righttolife.org.uk/ASvote) to find out how your MP voted and ask them to vote against the Bill at Third Reading.

**MESSAGE FROM BISHOP JOHN SHERRINGTON:** We believe that this bill is flawed in principle and also contains particular clauses that are of concern. We ask the Catholic community to pray that members of parliament will have the wisdom to reject this bill at a later stage in its progress. In addition to being opposed to the principle of assisted suicide, we are particularly concerned with clauses in the bill that **prevent doctors from properly exercising conscientious objection, provide inadequate protection to hospices and care homes that do not wish to participate in assisted suicide and allow doctors to initiate conversations about assisted suicide.** We ask that these voices be heard in the next stages of the Bill to strengthen the deep concerns about this proposed legislation. We have expressed the view, during this debate, that genuine compassion involves walking with those who need care, especially during sickness, disability and old age. The vocation to care is at the heart of the lives of so many people who look after their loved ones and is the sign of a truly compassionate society. It is essential that we nurture and renew the innate call that many people have to compassionately care for others. It remains the case that improving the quality and availability of palliative care offers the best pathway to reducing suffering at the end of life. We will continue to advocate for this and support those who work tirelessly to care for the dying in our hospices, hospitals and care homes.”

**A FAREWELL AND THANK YOU:**

**To John Holland, longstanding parishioner, for his 50 years of worship and service in the parish. He will be greatly missed.**

**Please pray for the sick:** Julian O’Leary; Magdalena Gembiak; Mary Modest; Paul Hayward; Mary Fellows; Fr David Barnes; Colin Bowles; Morris Naughton; Valerie Peart; Jenni Morgan; James Morgan; Peter Madden; Nicholas Madden; Carmen Lidia & family; Con Callahan; Felice Marcelle; Ciaran Costello; Veronica Hughes; Luciana Mancuso; Frank Lewis; Valentina Tano; Fr Jim Allen; David Pridmore; Christine Wiry; Brenda Kennedy; Tilly Stevens; Donna Corrigan; Rena Borg; Edmund Richardson; Sharon Pitt; Penny Evans; Bernard Markey; Tony Cook; Kieran Doyle; Margaret Murphy; Venita Thomas; Sarah Jane Nkrumah; Christina Adamou; Eileen Dwyer; Monica Henderson; David Querk; Anthony Cowley; Joanne Curri; Jayden Crossfield; Fr Edward Caroll; Teresa Marren; Isabelle Redmond; Fredrick Williamson; Peter Williamson; Natalie Williams; Connor Robertson; Charlie Bourn; Maria Fernandes; Bunmi Ogunlade-Gillan; Matthew Lewis; Mark Ellis; Teresa Joseph; Colette Jacob; Mergin Joseph; Terry Cowley; Doris Zammit; Netta Ewing; Vicky O’Cunneff; Patrick Mathuran; Lawrence Warwick; Esther Fletcher; Marian Guerrero; Jean Burton; William Murphy; Angie Holland; Gertrude Palmer; Lisa Doyle; Trinity Gilling-Robertson; Margot Semple Morris; Maxine Van Arendsen; Adrian Morgan; Mary Condon.

**Please pray for those have died recently:** Can. Nicholas France; Lilian Stone; Margaret Ramanath (Innes); Janet Jackson; Josephine Campbell; Martin Seaman; Daphne Sullivan; Antonia Maria; Divina Monzon; Robert Willis; Rose Ryan and Dorothy Leet.

**And for those whose anniversaries occur around this time:**

Elizabeth Dolor; Ezord Letang; Agnes Camillire; Pat Brigden; Bridie Lovett; Maria Langlais; Rick Osborn; James Byrne; Ann Serra; Marion Ward; Kenneth Cosbie and Maria Carolan.



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**CHARITY BOX** is for The Catholic Children’s Society (Westminster) which will also be our Crib collection

**COLLECTIONS: NOVEMBER:** Envelopes: £335.50 Loose: £627.76

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Sick and Retired Priests Fund: £391.10 Missio: £15

