



Church of the Most Sacred Heart

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Mass times

Sunday-9.00am, 10.30am
12.00noon, 6.00pm

Monday-Thursdays
10.00am

Fridays – 10.00am and
8.00pm

Saturdays – 10.00am,
6.00pm (Vigil Masses)

Saturday: Sacrament of
Reconciliation:
10.30-11.00am

Exposition of the Blessed
Sacrament:
Mon - Fri: 9.00 – 9.45am

An Ecumenical Christmas Memorial Service

On **Tuesday 7th December**, we are hosting a Christmas Memorial Service. This is being organised by Henry Paul Funeral Directors in Ruislip Manor. The service begins at **7.00pm**. and will be live streamed via Church Services TV, <https://www.churchservices.tv/ruislipsacredheart> You will be very welcome to join us online or in the church. Unfortunately, there will no refreshments served after in the hall this year.

Diocesan Jobs

Please visit our website at <https://jobs.rcdow.org.uk/> where you can view all current vacancies.

Collections

Envelopes	£	511.71
Loose	£	684.37
Total	£	1196.08

Parish Priest: **Fr. Duncan M. Adamson**

Assistant Priest: **Fr. Sebastian Joseph**

Parish Administrator: **Anne O'Connor**

Catechetical Co-ordinator: **Jo Marsh**

Pastoral Youth Worker: **Siobhan Denny**

Parish Website: parish.rcdow.org.uk/ruislip

The parish office is open 10.30am – 12noon

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2nd Sunday of Advent

Fr. Duncan writes: This weekend we celebrate the Second Sunday of Advent. On Saturday evening we will welcome our Confirmation Candidates to Mass. They are coming to formally enrol on their programme of preparation to receive the Sacrament next year. As they come together in the church, they are asking for the prayers and support of our parish community.

Feast of the Immaculate Conception

On **Wednesday 8th December** we celebrate the Feast of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary.

Christmas Masses

This year Masses for Christmas Day will be celebrated at **5.30pm, 7.00pm** and **10.30pm** on Christmas Eve. On Christmas Morning Masses will be celebrated at **9.00am, 10.30am** and **12.00 noon**. There will also be a **10.30am** Children's Mass in the hall on Christmas morning.

In order to maintain social distancing and to ensure everyone has a seat, we have added extra Masses. **PEOPLE WILL NOT BE PERMITTED TO STAND AT THE BACK OF THE CHURCH.**

The Gift of the Sunday Eucharist – A Statement from the Bishops.

The Sunday Eucharist is a gift; as God's holy people we are called to praise and thank God in the most sublime way possible. When the Church speaks of the Sunday obligation, it reminds us that attending Mass is a personal response to the selfless offering of Christ's love.

At this time, we recognise that for some people there may be certain factors which hinder attendance at Sunday Mass. The pandemic is clearly not over. The risk of infection is still present. For some, there is legitimate fear in gathering together. As your bishops, we recognise that these prevailing circumstances suggest that not everyone is yet in the position to fulfil the absolute duty to freely attend Sunday Mass.

Covid19 Procedures

As we heard at the beginning of the week, Covid is still spreading and now with a new strain of the virus. This means we have to be more vigilant and careful. It is very important to wear a face mask and to sanitise your hands as you enter the church. We have removed some of the 'social distanced seating' in the church. We will maintain some social distanced seating on the side aisles for those people who prefer to have more space. Please remember to keep a safe distance as you come forward to receive Holy Communion. We have now returned to the practice saying; '**The body of Christ**' as you come to receive the host. Please reply; '**Amen**'.

Synod Church: 2021-2023, Communion, Participation & Mission

As you may already be aware, the pope has called a synod. Pope Francis is calling us to discuss how we can journey together. "**By walking together, and together reflecting on the journey made, the church will be able to learn from what it will experience which processes can help it to live communion, to achieve participation and to open itself to mission**". There are three dates left that you can sign up to. An outline of the session will be shared with those that have signed up.

Sunday 5th December 12.30pm Hesdin Hall

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/synod-gathering-tickets-209185608787>

Monday 13th December 7.30pm Zoom

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/synod-gathering-tickets-209187424217>

Wednesday 12th January 7.30pm Hesdin Hall

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/synod-gathering-tickets-209192669907>

Parish Carol Service

Our Parish Carol Service will take place next **Sunday 12th December** at **4.00pm** followed by tea, coffee, and mince pies in the Coffee Lounge.

Jubilee Social Club 16th Dec Christmas Party

The Jubilee Social Club is combining with the SVP and we are holding our Christmas Party in Hesdin Hall from approximately **10.30am to 2.30pm on Thursday 16th Dec.** There will be fun, games, music and of course lunch. To help with catering accurately please sign up on the sheet in the Foyer. Many thanks.

First Reconciliation & Holy Communion Preparation Children's Session

The next session for Groups 3 (5pm-6pm) and 4 (6:15pm - 7:15pm) take place on **Monday 6th December** in the Coffee Lounge.

Westminster Year Books

The Westminster Year Books are available from the Repository (£4.50)

Help Wanted

The Christmas Tree is being put up in the church on the evening of **Thursday 9th December.** Please contact Anne in the parish office if you can help. Many thanks

Signing of Primary/Nursery School Priest Reference Forms

Fr. Duncan will be setting another date early in the new year for signing Certificates of Catholic Practice for schools.

Offertory online donations

If you would like to donate to our parish, please click on <https://portal.mydona.com/assets/webPay/index.php?cid=408>

E-Alerts: Becoming a Paperless Parish

If you would like to receive a copy of the weekly parish newsletter straight to your inbox, please sign into the Parish e-Alerts on our parish website.

Jubilee Trust Lottery

The Jubilee Lottery draw for £500 is fast approaching, on the **12th December** and we still need a few more people to sign up to reach our target of 200 members. The trustees will be on hand after Mass this weekend to provide letters/forms and to answer questions about the work of the Jubilee Trust. You can make payments online, click here for the form <https://forms.office.com/r/rqu3pMc6fe> We also accept payment by cash or cheque. Make online/in-branch transfers to our account at **Barclays Bank: sort code 20-73-53, account number 80793353.** Please use the second part of your post code and your surname as the payment reference, e.g. 7AB/SURNAME and advise us by email at mshjubileetrust@rcdow.org.uk . Make cheques payable to 'The Most Sacred Heart Jubilee Trust'.

Return to Altar Serving

As restrictions continue to lift, we would like to welcome back all our Altar Servers. As the church has undergone a number of changes, particularly mass times, we need those who are currently serving and those who wish to return to complete our online registration form. <https://forms.office.com/r/wdDqjV3PAU> . The new email address (Ruislip.servers@outlook.com) .

Food Bank Collection

The SVP are holding a collection on the next three Sundays in Advent (**5th, 12th, 19th December**) for the Hillingdon Food Bank, at all Masses. The food bank has a really serious need for families in our area, especially this time of year. They are particularly short of: long life juice / squash, uht milk / powdered milk., tinned fruit, tinned meat and fish, noodles, biscuits, tinned tomatoes rice pudding/ custard, soups. Many thanks.

Mass Intentions for the week: 4th – 12th December 2021

Saturday 4th December	10.00 Delia & Peter Roche & Annie Donovan, R.I.P.
<i>St. John Damascene</i>	18.00 Joe Walsh, R.I.P. (Ann.) (folk)
Sunday 5th December	09.00 Joan Perera, R.I.P.
<i>2nd Sunday of Advent</i>	10.30 Agnel Mascarenhas, R.I.P. (Choir)
	10.30 For You the People (Children's Mass in the Hall)
	12.00 Mingel Gabrel Quadros & Tertuliana Mendese Quadros, R.I.P.
	16.00 Private Intentions (Malayalam Mass)
	18.00 Maureen Hennessy, R.I.P. (Ann.)
Monday 6th December	10.00 Pat Walsh, R.I.P.
<i>St. Nicholas</i>	Marie Argent, R.I.P.
Tuesday 7 th December	10.00 Julie Murphy, R.I.P.
<i>St. Ambrose</i>	Kevin Moran, R.I.P.
	19.00 Ecumenical Christmas Memorial Service
Wednesday 8th December	10.00 Billy Meagher, R.I.P.
<i>The Immaculate Conception BVM</i>	Francy Dunne, R.I.P.
Thursday 9th December	10.00 Joe Reagan, R.I.P.
<i>St. Juan Diego Cuauhtlatotzin</i>	David Leane, R.I.P.
Friday 10th December	10.00 Leonard Rossiter, R.I.P. (Ann.)
<i>Blessed Virgin Mary of Loreto</i>	20.00 Our Lady of Fatima Thanksgiving
Saturday 11th December	10.00 Sarah Mary Boylan, R.I.P.
<i>St. Damasus I</i>	18.00 Hicks, Connelly & Walsh Deceased Family Members, R.I.P.
Sunday 12th December	09.00 Mary Bell, R.I.P. (Ann.)
<i>3rd Sunday of Advent</i>	10.30 Eileen Murphy, R.I.P. (Ann.) (Choir)
	10.30 For You the People (Children's Mass in the Hall)
	12.00 Leslie Pereyra, R.I.P. (Ann.)
	16.00 Carol Service
	18.00 John Hegarty, R.I.P.

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK AND HOUSEBOUND:

Marjorie Shaw, Bernadette Campbell, Susan Acton, Bernadeta Herrera, Simon Mott, Richard Verrall Livia Emmanuel, Pauline Walsh, , Claire Wilmshurst, Edward Vivier, Janet Smith, Sheila Morrison, Andrew Wilson, Barbara Steadman, Theresa Jefferson, Kevin Horner, Eileen O'Higgins, Rosetta Roach, Edward Barrett, Gerry Jarrett, Barbara Elliott, Tom de Souza, Ron Leonard, Emily Cross, Sarah Vincent, Deborah McGauran, Joyce Turner, Charles Castle, Michael Mannion and Lily McCarrick.

AND FOR THOSE WHOSE ANNIVERSARY OCCURS ABOUT THIS TIME:

Joe Walsh, Maureen Hennessy and Leonard Rossiter.

God Bless
Fr. Duncan & Fr. Sebastian