



# 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

Mass Livestream Webcam  
<https://www.churchservices.tv/ruislipsacredheart>

## Westminster Synodal Pathway Listening Events

As part of the Westminster Synodal Pathway we are invited to join **Cardinal Vincent Nichols** at an Area Listening Event on **Thursday 2nd Dec, 7.00-9.00pm** at **Ealing Abbey**. All are welcome, and places can be booked by emailing [catadmin@rcdow.org.uk](mailto:catadmin@rcdow.org.uk).

## First Holy Communion Families Mass

This weekend and next, we welcome the families of children who are preparing to receive the sacraments of Reconciliation and Holy Communion to the Noon Mass. Please continue to pray for all these families.

## Collections

Envelopes	£	1012.21
Loose	£	<u>668.85</u>
Total	£	<u>1681.06</u>

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](http://parish.rcdow.org.uk/ruislip)

The parish office is open 10.30am – 12noon  
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## 1st Sunday of Advent

**Fr. Duncan writes:** Today we celebrate the First Sunday of Advent, the beginning of the Church's year. This year we will be reading from the gospel of Luke. The season of Advent is a short season of preparation for Christmas, the birth of our Lord and Saviour, Jesus Christ. The chief characteristic of Advent is one of joyful expectation. When you look around you are given the impression that Christmas has already begun. It has not. Advent is the time we use to prepare for Christmas, not only in a practical way, but also in a spiritual way. It is on Christmas night when we welcome the new born king – then Christmas begins.

## 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

We have removed some of the 'social distanced seating' in the church. But, as we listen to the news, Covid is still spreading. This means we still need to be vigilant. 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. There are markers along the aisles to help you. We have now returned to the practice saying; **'The body of Christ'** as you come to receive the host. You will reply; **'Amen'**.

## Signing of Primary & Nursery School Priest Reference Forms

There are still some appointments available to see Fr. Duncan for the signing of Certificate of Catholic Practice forms on **Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> Dec - 4-5pm** in the coffee lounge. Please follow this link to book your appointment: <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/most-sacred-heart-parish-primary-school-form-signing-tickets-120968769847>

## 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 5<sup>th</sup> December 12.30pm Hesdin Hall**

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

**Monday 13<sup>th</sup> December 7.30pm Zoom**

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

**Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> January 7.30pm Hesdin Hall**

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

Further information can be found on the parish website. Any questions please contact Siobhan.

## Youth Club

Last week was National Youth Sunday and schools were invited to join the celebrations on the Friday. Some young people from our middle youth club took part in filming for the event with Westminster Youth Ministry and were included in the live stream event. <https://youtu.be/lzJWhw30v0o>

### Caritas Westminster

The deaths of at least 27 people in the channel on Wed, sadly display the need for a safe route for vulnerable refugees to reach the UK. Join us to find out more about the **Community Sponsorship Programme**.

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/time-to-step-up-and-support-the-community-sponsorship-scheme-tickets-175593002397>

### First Reconciliation & Holy Communion Preparation Children's Session

The next session for Groups 1 (5pm-6pm) and 2 (6:15pm - 7:15pm) take place on **Monday 29<sup>th</sup> November** in the Coffee Lounge.

### Confirmation Preparation

The next session for Group c takes place this **Tuesday 30<sup>th</sup> November 7:15pm-8:45pm** in Hesdin Hall. We are looking forward to seeing you.

### National Gallery Nativity Trail Visit- Sat 4th Dec

We have organised an Advent visit to the National Gallery to complete a Nativity Trail of prayer and art through the National Gallery's collection. This will be a lovely way to pray together during the season of Advent. This trail is aimed at families with primary aged children although everyone is welcome! All children must be accompanied by an adult. We have made a group booking so places are limited. To book your space, please follow the link below where you will find timings for the day too.

For more information, please contact Jo <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/national-gallery-nativity-trail-tickets-213451829167>

### Jubilee Trust Lottery

The Jubilee Lottery draw for £500 is fast approaching, on the **12<sup>th</sup> 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](mailto: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](mailto:Ruislip.servers@outlook.com)).

### Food Bank Collection

The SVP are holding a collection on the four Sundays in Advent (**28<sup>th</sup> November, 5<sup>th</sup>, 12<sup>th</sup>, 19<sup>th</sup> 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.

### Baptism Congratulations

Congratulations to Ruby Bruneau who was baptized in our Church this weekend.

### Mass Intentions for the week: 27<sup>th</sup> November – 5<sup>th</sup> December 2021

Saturday 27th November	10.00 Brian Leaver, R.I.P. & the Leaver Family Intentions 18.00 John O'Connor, R.I.P. (Ann.) (folk)
Sunday 28th November <i>1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of Advent</i>	09.00 Eileen Chapman, R.I.P. (Ann.) 10.30 Kenneth & Sheila Burgess, R.I.P. (Ann.) (Choir) 10.30 For You the People (Children's Mass in the Hall) 12.00 Dr. Yves Sojka, R.I.P.(Ann.) 18.00 Deceased Members of the Fox Family, R.I.P.
Monday 29th November	10.00 Pat Walsh, R.I.P. (Ann.) Anne Kenny, R.I.P.
Tuesday 30 <sup>th</sup> November <i>St. Andrew</i>	10.00 Derek & Sheila Miles, R.I.P. Carmel Harrington, R.I.P.
Wednesday 1st December	10.00 Aftab Sheikh, R.I.P. (Ann.) Charlie Byrne, R.I.P.
Thursday 2nd December	10.00 Ann Caden, R.I.P. Mary O'Regan, R.I.P.
Friday 3rd December <i>St. Francis Xavier</i>	10.00 Tom Hennessy, R.I.P. 12.00 Funeral Mass: Diane Kelleher, R.I.P. 20.00 Good Health & Wellbeing
Saturday 4th December <i>St. John Damascene</i>	10.00 Delia & Peter Roche & Annie Donovan, R.I.P. 18.00 Joe Walsh, R.I.P. (Ann.) (folk)
Sunday 5th December <i>2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Advent</i>	09.00 Joan Perera, R.I.P. 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.)

### 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:

John O'Connor, Eileen Chapman, Kenneth & Sheila Burgess,  
Dr. Yves Sojka, Pat Walsh, and Aftab Sheikh.

God Bless  
Fr. Duncan & Fr. Sebastian