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Mass times

Sunday-8.30am, 10.00am 11.30am, 6.00pm

Mon-Friday 10am

Saturdays – 10.00am, 6.00pm (Vigil Mass)

Saturday: Sacrament of Reconciliation: 10.30-11.00am

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

Advent Reconciliation Service

Our Advent Reconciliation Service will be held on Monday 18th December at 7.30pm.

Help Needed

Help is needed putting up the Church Christmas tree on Tuesday evening at 7pm and again after the **10am** Mass on **Wednesday 20**th **December** to put up the Church cribs.
Please just turn up.

Many thanks.

Christmas Message

The Christmas Message is available today with all the Christmas and New Year service times. Please take home a copy.

Church livestream

All our Masses are now streamed online. www.churchservices.tv/ruisl ipsacredheart
Our livestream is on 24/7 thus enabling people to spend time with the Lord in the tabernacle.

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3rd Sunday of Advent

Christmas Masses

This year Christmas Eve Masses will be celebrated:

- 1. Carols starting at **6.00pm**, Mass at **6.30pm**. (Family Mass and the children are invited to come dressed as angels and shepherds).
 - 2. Carols starting at *9.00pm*, Mass in the night at *9.30pm*.
 - 3. There will be a Malayalam Mass at 11.30pm.

On **Christmas Morning, Masses** will be celebrated at **8.30am**, **10.00am** and **11.30am**. There is no Evening Mass on Christmas Day.

Fr. Sean

This weekend we welcome Fr Sebastian Joseph back for a couple of week over Christmas.

Christmas envelopes

This weekend, Christmas envelopes are available at the back of the Church. These are for your gifts to the priests of our Parish at Christmas. It is this money, together with the Easter collection which makes up our annual salary as priests.

GAZA APPEAL

A number of Catholic Agencies, including Friends of the Holy Land, Cafod and our own Jubilee Trust are supporting people in Gaza. Your donation would support those affected by such terrible destruction with the urgent provision of food, water and emergency shelter. Please use the wall box at the back of the church marked 'GAZA APPEAL' or put your donation into an envelope marked 'GAZA APPEAL' in through the presbytery letterbox. Many thanks.

Primary and Nursery Schools Admissions

Fr. Sean will be resuming signing **Certificates of Catholic Practice** for primary and nursery school form applications in the Bec Suite on **Monday 8**th **January** between **5-7pm**. Please bring the applicant's Baptism Certificate with you to the meeting.

NB: This session is also open to other parishioners who would like to see Fr. Sean without making an appointment.

RCIA

Our next session will take place on *Wednesday 20th December* at *8pm* in the Bec Suite.

Altar Servers

Please check email inboxes and junk folders for an email with updates around Christmas availability and requests for dates for our Christmas Social. You are also invited to join your fellow Altar Servers to celebrate together at the Annual Festal Mass on *St. Stephen's Day, 26th December at 10:30am*.

Jubilee Social Group

Please sign-up on the sheet in the foyer for our Christmas Celebration on *Thursday 21st December*. Music and a Sing-along with Del Boy and some fun and games and a buffet lunch. You can either pay £7.50 or if you prefer bring a wrapped present for a child. These will be sent to the Food Bank.

Westminster Year Books

The Westminster Year Books are available from the Repository (£5.00).

Lourdes Redcaps

The next meeting for Lourdes will take place on *Sunday* 17th *December* after the *6pm* Mass in the youth centre. If you would like to be a Redcap and you are between the ages of 16-25 please come along. You may also join as an adult helper age 18+. Details of all the roles can be found on our website: https://parish.rcdow.org.uk/ruislip/parish-groups/lourdes-pilgrimage/

Sunday Youth Group

The youth centre will be open this week after the **10am** Mass on Sunday. Children under the age of 10 must be accompanied by a parent or guardian. Tea, coffee, juice and biscuits available

Youth Drama

Rehearsal times for the advent drama this week: (children age 7-16). Wednesday 20th Dec 5pm Sunday 24th Dec 9.00am.

All rehearsals will take place

in the youth centre.

Youth Club Dates

All dates are on our parish web: https://parish.rcdow.org.uk/ruislip/parish-

groups/youth-activities/

Jubilee Trust Lottery

Many thanks to all who have subscribed to our Lottery cycle 2023-24 - our biggest fund-raiser. It is still not too late to join – forms are available in the foyer or contact a trustee.

Congratulations to T. Stark, December's £500 prize winner'. Monthly draws will be held throughout 2024

Foodbank

The SVP food bank at St Gregory's continues to feed around 80 families every week. Urgently needed food items this week are: potatoes, noodles, jam, sugar, cooking sauces, juice, rice, toilet roll and fruit puddings. Thank you for your kind donations.

With Deepest Sympathy

We offer our sympathy and prayers to the family and friends of:

John Gillen whose Funeral Mass takes place on **Monday 18**th **December** at **11.30am**, followed by burial at Northwood Cemetery.

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Francis Evans whose Funeral Mass takes place on *Thursday 21st December* at *12noon*, followed by burial at Northwood Cemetery.

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Martin Collins whose Funeral Service takes place on *Thursday 21st December* at *2.45pm* at Breakspear Crematorium.

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Karen Fuller whose Funeral Service takes place on *Thursday 4th January* at **12.15pm**, followed by committal at Breakspear Crematorium .

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Maureen Donnelly whose Funeral Mass takes place on *Monday 8th January* at *12noon*.

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May they rest in peace.

Mass Intentions for the week: 16th - 25th December 2023

Saturday 16th December 10.00 Rosa Fernandes, RIP.

18.00 Jim Devine RIP. (Ann)

Sunday 17th December **08.30** For You the People

3rd Sunday of Advent 10.00 Albert Shaw, RIP. (Children's choir)

11.30 Mary & Tom Cox, RIP. (Ann) **18.00** Christian George, RIP. (Ann)

Monday 18th December 10.00 Joan Waite, RIP.

Kathleen & Tom Fox and deceased members of the Fox family.

11.30 Funeral Mass: John Gillen, RIP. 19.30 Advent Reconciliation Service

Tuesday 19th December 10.00 Dorothy Ryan

Fr John McCabe, RIP.

Wednesday 20th December 10.00 Henrietta Kalogroulis, RIP.

Joe Kelly, RIP.

Thursday 21st December 10.00 Johanna & Charles Killington, RIP.

St Peter Canisius Lily Yates Intentions

12.00 Funeral Mass: Francis Evans, RIP.

Friday 22nd December 10.00 Basil Garsed, RIP. (Ann)

Maisie Marsden, RIP. (Ann).

Saturday 23rd December 10.00 Anne Gaffney, RIP. (Ann).

18.00 Helen Hickey, R.I.P.

Sunday 24th December **08.30** Sandy & Eddie Vivier Intentions

4th Sunday of Advent 10.00 Tony Pycio, RIP. (Folk)

* * Christmas Season * * *

Vigil Masses of Christmas 18.30 For You the People (Family Mass)

21.30 All Christmas Intentions

23.30 All Christmas Intentions (Malayalam Mass)

Monday 25th December **08.30** Sick & Housebound of the Parish

Nativity of the Lord 10.00 All Christmas Intentions 11.30 All Christmas Intentions

NO EVENING MASS

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK AND HOUSEBOUND:

Susan Acton, Bernadeta Herrera, Simon Mott, Daniella Ciaccio, Livia Emmanuel, Pauline Walsh, 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, Sarah Vincent, Joyce Turner, Celine Edwards, Bill Neylon, Adrian Cunningham, Mark Jordan, Caterina Spano, Nora Ahearne, Mary Kilcommon, Carmel Carthy, Judy & Paddy Stapleton, Irene Leonard and Mary & Terry O'Neill.

AND FOR THOSE WHOSE ANNIVERSARY OCCURS ABOUT THIS TIME: Mary, Patrick & James Kavanagh. Kathleen Fox, Jim Devine, Mary Cox, Christian George, Basil Garsed and Maisie Marsden.