THIS WEEK'S LAMP DEDICATIONS ARE FOR: Sanctuary Lamps - Intentions of the Donor Our Lady's Chapel - Intentions of the Donor

MASS INTENTIONS FOR 4TH DECEMBER TO 11TH DECEMBER 2022

4th December 2022 2nd Sunday of Advent	5.30 pm 10.00 am 12 noon 6.00 pm	James Reilly (RIP) Celia McManus (RIP) Petula White (RIP) Steve Tierney (RIP)
Monday 5th December	9.45 am 10.00 am 6.00 pm	Morning Prayer Ainsley, Clare & Henry Maull (RIP) Rosary
Tuesday 6th December	9.45 am 10.00 am 6.00 pm	Morning Prayer Maurice Kiely (RIP) Rosary
Wednesday 7th December St. Ambrose	9.45 am 10.00 am 6.00 pm	Morning Prayer Kiely Family (Intentions) Rosary
Thursday 8th December Immaculate Conception of The Blessed Virgin Mary	10.00 am 7.30 pm	Michael Adami (RIP) People of the Parish
Friday 9th December	9.45 am 10.00 am 6.00 pm	Morning Prayer Anne O'Sullivan (RIP) Rosary
Saturday 10th December	10.00 am 10.30-11.30 2.00 pm	Frank Moran (RIP) Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament Baptism - William Matthams
Sunday 11th December 3rd Sunday of Advent Year A	5.30 pm (Sat) 10.00 am 12 noon 6.00 pm	Donal O'Sullivan (RIP) Ita O'Connor (RIP) Andrew, April & Bert Howe (RIP) Bridget & Michael Thornton (RIP)

Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession)

Saturday 10.30-11.30am & 4.30pm-5.15pm



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PARISH TEAM

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The Preface for Advent

The Church, in her Liturgy, not only feeds the faithful with the Sacraments, but also uses it as a moment of instruction in the Faith. Thus the Liturgy is not only a Celebration, but also a Living Catechesis, an intensification of our relationship with the Lord. In the words and actions of the Liturgy the Church expresses and Celebrates her Theology; not a cold and lifeless academic subject, but a celebration of the Church's faith. Of the whole Liturgy, I would like to concentrate on one specific prayer: the Preface. This pearl of the Mass many times and for different reasons go unnoticed; yet in it is contained, in a concise and yet not diminishing way, the theme of that particular Mass.

The Preface, the great Prayer of Blessing and Thanksgiving proclaimed before the Consecration, expresses exactly the Church's 'expectation mood': For he (Christ) assumed at his first coming the lowliness of our human flesh, and so fulfilled the design you formed long ago, and opened for us the way to eternal salvation, that, when he comes again in glory and majesty and all is at last made manifest, we who watch for that day may inherit the great promise in which now we dare to hope.

In a few lines, this preface makes present the whole of God's eternal plan of Salvation accomplished for our sake in Christ's Paschal Mystery: his Incarnation, Life, Death, Resurrection, Ascension and Sending of the Holy Spirit, which is brought to a final completion with his Second coming in Glory, when we will inherit the eternal life which Christ purchased for us in his blood. There is much to be gained in paying attention to this prayer of the Mass, as so much about our faith is explained, and it also help us to focus during the Mass on what we, as a Church, are praying for.

CURRENT VACANCIES WITHIN THE DIOCESE

For all vacancies in the Diocese please visit the website https://jobs.rcdow.org.uk/

PARISH REGISTRATION

If you have recently joined the parish, or not completed a Registration Card in the last two years, please do so and return it to the presbytery. These cards are available in the porch or from the Parish Office. Our records are referred to for applications for sacramental preparation and school application forms.

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK AND HOUSEBOUND:-

Tony Johnson, Liam Warren, Micah McKennon, Mary Temple, Nicola Teune, Michael Clough, Bridget Finch, Angie Webster, Mary Wallace, Kevin Ryan, Theresa Brent, Anne-Marie Henry, Barbara Hayes, Nora Demello, Ron Crann, John McEvoy, Donna White, Peggy McNicholas, Gillian Burke, Alan Downes, John Higgins, Maxi Giambrone, Mary O'Regan, Nollaig Donegan, Kamini Mahida, Salvatore Giambrone, Francis Thone, Gary Sheppard, John McCarthy, John & Agnes Keane, George Alden, baby Wilf, Joseph Jackson, Kitty Kiely, Isabella Czerniajew, Bernie Killeen, Doreen Sullivan, Audrey Farrell, Philip Rodgers, John & Phil Boyne, Rita Clli, Mary Theresa Mills, Laura Madeira, Tom Doyle. (Please tell us when people can be taken off this list).

PLEASE PRAY FOR THOSE WHO HAVE DIED RECENTLY AND THOSE WHOSE ANNIVER-SARY OCCURS ABOUT THIS TIME. WE ALSO REMEMBER AT THIS TIME: Michael

Adami, James Reilly, Celia McManus, Petula White, Steve Tierney, Ainsley, Clare & Henry Maull, Maurice Kiely, Anne O'Sullivan, Frank Moran.

RED SANCTUARY LAMPS / BLUE LAMP BY OUR LADY

If you would like to have these dedicated for a week to the memory of a loved one, or for someone's intentions please contact Gillian in the parish office. There is a suggested donation of £10 for the Red Sanctuary lamps and £5 for Our Lady, the names will appear on the newsletter for the specific week.

COLLECTIONS 27/1	1/2022	WEDDINGS	
Standing Orders	£1261.00	Couples wishing to marry here or in any Cath-	
Envelopes	£ 207.50	olic Church need to give at least six months'	
Loose Plate	£ 389.73	notice of their intentions.	

ST VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY (SVP NEWS)

Monday is the UN's International Volunteer Day! This is a timely reminder of the great team of young people and adults that we have in the SVP parish family! Not just that, though; we also have a lovely team of people who just like to help us out at the food bank on Saturdays. Irrespective of the different paths to volunteering, I think all the volunteers would testify to the presence of something 'mysterious' within them that makes them want to put in the effort. This mysterious something is, of course, the power of the Holy Spirit. As a hymn reminds us, '...the power of the Lord is moving in this place..'. Let's all say 'Thank You' to the Lord for being such a tangible presence within our parish and please pray that the Holy Spirit continues to energise our volunteers. And finally, as ever, please remain 'Aware' of need around us and do not hesitate to contact your SVP Team if our help is needed - 07563 775777 info@svpsouthruislip.org.uk and/or www.svpsouthruislip.org.uk

Items the SVP would like for the Food bank this week

Long-life milk	Lentils/chickpeas	Kidney beans
Tuna/sardines	Rice/noodles	Nappies size 5 & 6
Squash/juice	Tinned vegetables	Coffee/tea
Pasta/curry sauce	Biscuits	Crisps/chocolate
Tinned fruit	Jam	Sugar
Toiletries	Custard	Dry pasta
Cooking oil		

SCHOOL FORM SIGNING

If you still need a school form signed, primary or secondary, please collect an information form from Fr. Paulo after any weekend Mass and then call Gillian in the parish office between 9am and 12noon Monday to Friday (not Thursdays), to make an appointment. Fr. Paulo will only meet with you once you have collected the information form from him.

ST SWITHUN WELLS' SCHOOL ADMISSIONS - NURSERY / RECEPTION 2023

Children born between 1st September 2018- 31st August 2019. Applications are now open. All prospective SSW Reception parents must apply to their local borough council and the school in order to be considered for a place. Deadline for both: Friday 15th January 2023 12 noon. Deadline for nursery applications is 6th March 2023. For full details with key dates visit: www.hillingdon.gov.uk/schooladmissions

SVP Shop

The SVP shop will be open after all masses this weekend and then every fortnight until Christmas.