

THIS WEEK'S LAMP DEDICATIONS ARE FOR:
Sanctuary Lamps - Frank & Dodo Collopy (RIP)
Our Lady's Chapel - Patrick & Kathleen Sugrue (RIP)

MASS INTENTIONS FOR 3RD DECEMBER TO 10TH DECEMBER 2023

Sunday 3rd December	5.30 pm (Sat)	William Gerrard (RIP)	
1st Sunday of Advent	10.00 am	Celia McManus (RIP)	
	12 noon	James Reilly (RIP)	
	6.00 pm	Bridget Harrington (RIP)	
Monday 4th December	9.45 am	Morning Prayer	
	10.00 am	Jim McCormack (RIP)	
Tuesday 5th December	9.45 am	Morning Prayer	
	10.00 am	Nora Gallagher Roberts (RIP)	
Wednesday 6th December	9.45 am	Morning Prayer	
	10.00 am	Teresa Kiely (Intentions)	
	12.00 pm	Funeral - Lilian Linfield (RIP)	
Thursday 7th December	NO MASS HERE TODAY		
	The Church will remain closed.		
Friday 8th December	10.00 am	People of the Parish	
The Immaculate Conception Of the Blessed Virgin Mary	7.30 pm	People of the Parish	
Saturday 9th December	9.45 am	Morning Prayer	
	10.00 am	Anne & Owen O'Sullivan	
Sunday 10th December	5.30 pm (Sat)	Harry Hickman & Martin Byrnes (RIP)	
2nd Sunday of Advent	10.00 am	Donal Farrell (RIP)	
Year B	12 noon	Ollie Cullen (RIP)	
	6.00 pm	Anthony O'Leary (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 Parish Office is closed on Thursdays.

The Season of ADVENT

We begin today the start of the Church's Year with the great and important Season of Advent. While all around us in the shops and on our streets it's Christmas we Christians are saying "No it's not Christmas, it's Advent!!" In our homes and families, the way we mark Advent can help to balance what is often an especially hectic time of social gatherings and shopping. Advent gives us reason to pause, reflect and hear the story of God's love afresh through the lens of our lives at home, in our workplace, cities and world as well as at our parish through the celebration of the Mass and Sacraments.



A special way to celebrate at home (as in the church) could be with an Advent wreath, often a simple circle of greenery and four candles (they don't have to be different colours - four white ones will do!) Especially in families the wreath can be a focus for prayer. You might like to centre your prayer on the themes that are reflected in the readings at Mass each week. Week One is HOPE; week two LOVE, week three JOY and week four PEACE.

To help you keep in touch with the Mass Readings for each day and to encourage you to come to Mass if you can, do invest in a copy of MY DAY BY DAY which costs just £1.

SAFEGUARDING

If anyone has any concerns regarding the welfare of a child or vulnerable adult, please contact the parish priest or the designated safeguarding officer, details below.

Danuta Howe - ruislipsouthsg@safeguardrcdow.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, Ron Crann, John McEvoy, Donna White, Gillian Burke, Alan Downes, John Higgins, Maxi Giambrone, Mary O'Regan, Nollaig Donegan, Kamini Mahida, Salvatore Giambrone, Gary Sheppard, John McCarthy, George Alden, baby Wilf, Joseph Jackson, Isabella Czerniajew, Doreen Sullivan, Audrey Farrell, John Boyne, Philip Rodgers, Rita Clli, Mary Theresa Mills, Laura Madeira, Tom Doyle, Ciaran Murphy, Lilian Scott, Phelmene Henry, Josie Lambert, Pat Naylor, Jim Moir, Amanda Remedios, Tom McDonagh, Michael McDonagh, Bridget McDonagh, Jerry Mallett, Mary Cotter, Innis Mussi, Helen Dooley, Francine Williams, Jo Crann.

(Please tell us when people can be taken off this list).

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

Frank & Dodo Collopy, Patrick & Kathleen Sugrue, William Gerrard, Celia McManus, James Reilly, Bridget Harrington, Jim McCormack, Nora Gallagher Roberts, Anne & Owen O'Sullivan, Lilian Linfield.

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 26/11/2023

Standing Orders	£1034.31
Envelopes	£ 163.50
Loose Plate	£ 370.59

WEDDINGS

Couples wishing to marry here or in any Catholic Church need to give at least six months' notice of their intentions.

ST VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY (SVP NEWS)

The run-up to Christmas is always a time full of Appeals for the Needy. This year it is no different and the SVP Appeals are already out there, in the form of our reverse Advent Calendar for example. Amidst all these Appeals, it can be easy to forget that the spirit of the needy person might also need help. So, if you can, please pray for our Needy, that they may receive inner strength to deal with their issues and then the Holy Spirit will do the rest! And speaking of Appeals; you might remember the B-Attitudes cake sale earlier in the year - well, with some of the funds raised, they have now assembled some Christmas presents for the residents of our local care home, Brackenbridge House. It is brilliant to see our young people engaging with the elderly in our parish - another work of the Holy Spirit!! To close, as ever, please remain aware of need within our community and just get in touch with us if you think our help is needed - we can be contacted on 07563 775777, info@svpsouthruislip.org.uk and/or www.svpsouthruislip.org.uk. We will always try our best to help.

ITEMS THE SVP WOULD LIKE FOR THE FOOD BANK THIS WEEK - FULL LIST IN PORCH

Tinned fish/meat	Tinned vegetables	Tinned fruit/custard/biscuits
Chickpeas/Kidney beans	Tea/Coffee/Sugar	Long-life milk & Squash/Juice
Rice/Pasta/Curry Sauce	Cooking oil	Nappies size 5 &6 & Toiletries

SCHOOL FORM SIGNING - CERTIFICATE OF CATHOLIC PRACTICE

Please collect an information sheet from Fr. Paulo after any Sunday Mass. Then contact Gillian in the parish office to make an appointment to meet with Fr. Paulo.

UKRAINIAN CHRISTMAS MARKET

The Ukrainian community of our parish will again be holding a Christmas Market in our church hall this Sunday 3rd December from 11am to 5pm. All proceeds from this market will go directly to help the Ukrainian children suffering from the war.

CANDLES

With the cost of supplies increasing, unfortunately we have found it necessary that we will have to increase the price of our votive candles from 20p to 25p. This is the first increase we have implemented in over 20 years so we hope you understand.

BAPTISM PREPARATION

Tuesday 12th December at 8pm in the Church hall. Please telephone Gillian at the Presbytery as these meetings are by appointment only.

BIBLE STUDIES

Our next bible studies will be in the parish hall on Tuesday 12th December at 7.30pm.

CURRENT VACANCIES WITHIN THE DIOCESE - Visit <https://jobs.rcdow.org.uk/>