

CORPUS CHRISTI, TRING

3rd Sunday Of Advent (Gaudete Sunday) - Pg. 87 in the Parish Mass Book



<u>First Reading Isaiah 61:1-2, 10-11:</u> "I exult for joy in Yahweh, my soul rejoices in my God, for he has clothed me in his garments of salvation, he has wrapped me in the clock of integrity, like a bridegroom wearing his wreath, like a bride adorned in her jewels.

Responsorial Psalm: Luke 1:46-50 - My soul rejoices in my God

Second Reading 1 Thessalonians 5:16-24: May the God of peace make you perfect and holy; and may you all be safe and blameless, spirit, soul and body, for the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ. God has called you and he will not fail you.

Gospel: John 1:6-8, 9-28: 'I baptise with water, but there stands among you -unknown to you- the one who coming after me; and I am not fit to undo his sandal strap'

Mass Intentions for December

Fr. Sean will be Celebrating the Masses this weekend

Sat 16th 5.00 pm Thanksgiving

Sun 17th 9.00 am Rebecca Clarey R.I.P.

10.00 am

10.30 am Marie Nolan R.I.P.

Mon 18th 12 Noon

19th

Tue

Wed 20th 10.00 am

Fri 22nd 6.00 pm Leadbeater family & friends

Sat: 23rd 5.00 pm Finucane & Lindley Families



Christmas Masses 24th & 25th Dec 2023:

Christmas Eve: Sunday 24th December

9.00 am

10.30 am

5.00 pm - Christmas Family Mass

12.00 - Christmas Midnight Mass

Christmas Day: Monday 25th December

9.00 am

10.30 am

Sick List

The Sick and the Housebound in our parish, especially:
Winifred Winstone, Elizabeth Le Juge de Segrais, Phyllis Edwards,
Michael Glencross, Andrew Reilly, Catherine Clifford.
Willie Nordick, Lana Ridley, Francis Sheridan, Diana Crauford,
Susan McQuinn, John Baker, Alison Broad, Doris Russell

Deceased List

We pray for all who are recently deceased and their grieving families, especially: Ben Lace

If you wish to add a name to our sick list or the deceased list, please let Annabelle know.

Ministries for Saturday & Sunday December.

Saturday 16th 5.00 pm

Reader: Mary Miles

Eucharistic Minister: Mary Todd

Sunday 17th 9.00 am

Reader: Diana Crauford
Eucharistic Minister:

Sunday 10.30 am

Reader: Tricia Apps Eucharistic Minister:

Please can readers be in church 10 mins before Mass starts just to check that the readings are on the right page for the Mass.

Readers also read the Entrance Antiphon, The Gospel Acclamation & Communion Antiphon.

<u>Funerals:</u> I would like to thank all the ladies who helped on every Funeral we had over the past couple of months. Your help in handing out the Order of Services and helping the people who attended the funerals was massively important.

Also, a big thank you to Tom for attending all the Funerals bar one to play and to help the families with their CDs. Thank you to some of the Choir members who sang at a couple of the Funerals.

Ministries for the Christmas Masses:

We will need Readers and Eucharistic Ministers for the Christmas Masses, please put your name down on the sign-up sheet at the back of the Church if you are can do either Ministries.

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Flower Arranging Workshop 16/12/23

Unfortunately, this workshop is not going ahead as we didn't have many names on the sign-up sheet to organise it.

Ladies Christmas Dinner

What a wonderful time was had by all, there was laughter and singing. The food was delicious and the service excellent, thank you to The Kings Arms for another brilliant Christmas Meal.

Thank you to Heather and Sheree for organising yet another amazing evening. Sheree crocheted lovely little boots filled with chocolate for each lady to hang on their Christmas tree & Heather (Our Quiz Connoisseur) organized a small quiz which was great fun.

Heather, we need Quiz Evening for 2024!

There will be a 2nd Collection this weekend for the Flowers for Christmas

Our amazing flower ladies make such a special effort for Christmas and Easter to make our beautiful church look so joyful.

A special Thank You to G.I Rogers & Sons who kindly donated the Christmas Tree this year. Please support them when you can. Their website is as follows: www.realchristmastreefarm.co.uk

Carol Service, Sacred Heart Berkhamsted

On Saturday 16th December at 6.30pm Sacred Heart, Berkhamsted, will be holding their annual Carol Service in aid of the Hospice of St Francis. All are welcome to this service; several members of our wonderful choir will be singing and Tom, our organist, will be playing.

Nativity Play and Carol Service - Corpus Christi

On Sunday 17th at 3.30 pm in the Church, please come along to watch our children re-enact the Nativity, together with carols from our wonderful choir. All followed by a Tea Party in the Hall for those who have put their names down on the sign-up sheet at back of church.

Sanctuary Candle

If you wish to have the Sanctuary Candle lit for a loved one please let me know. The cost will be £5.00 and the candle will be alight for the whole week. A new candle is lit every Saturday before the 5.00 pm Mass.

Church Cleaning - 10.00 am - 12 Noon

Please come along on Saturday 23rd to help get our beautiful Church cleaned and the oil candles filled, brass polished & votive candle stands de-waxed ready to Welcome our Lord.

As I put in the newsletter last week if anyone has an idea as to how we can clean the cobwebs from the ceiling over the Sanctuary please advise!

Refreshments will be available. A sign-up sheet will be at the back of the Church.

Church Offerings

If you are a weekly plate giver, would you please consider setting up a Standing Order.

Our bank details are as follows. Please do include your name as your reference. Thank you for your continued generosity and support to our parish, it is greatly appreciated.

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Standing Order Forms are at the back of the Church, if setting one up please remember to tick the Gift Aid box.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

This weekend -16th & 17th December

There will be a collection for the flowers for Christmas.

Sunday 17th December

3.30 pm Nativity Play, followed by Carols and a Parish Tea in the Hall afterwards.

Saturday 23rd December

10.00 am Church Christmas Clean

From next week, weekday Masses will be back to normal. If you wish to have a Mass Intention please let me know. I also have the 2024 diary if you wish to organise Mass Intentions for the new year.

Dates available:

 Mon
 18th
 12 Noon

 Tue
 19th
 10.00 am

 Wed
 20th
 10.00 am

 Fri
 22nd
 6.00 pm

Christmas Day:

9.00 am

10.30 am

Boxing Day - 12.00 Noon