



St Joseph's Church

Wealdstone and Harrow Weald

Served by the Society of the Divine Saviour – The Salvatorians

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Second Sunday of Advent

4th December 2016

Repent for the Kingdom of Heaven is close at hand

Mass Times, etc

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| 3rd | Sat | St Francis Xavier |
| | 10.00 | |
| | 10.30 | Confessions |
| | 18.00 | Vigil Mass with Hymns |
| | 19.00 | Confessions & Exposition with Benediction |
| 4th | Sun | Second Sunday of Advent |
| | 08.15 | |
| | 09.30 | Folk Music & Little Church |
| | 11.00 | Solemn Mass |
| | 12.30 | With Hymns |
| | 18.00 | |
| 5th | Mon | Advent Feria |
| | 07.30 | |
| | 10.00 | |
| 6th | Tue | St Nicholas |
| | 07.30 | |
| | 10.00 | |
| 7th | Wed | St Ambrose |
| | 07.30 | |
| | 10.00 | |
| | 19.00 | Salvatorian College 90th Anniversary Mass |
| 8th | Thu | Immaculate Conception |
| | 07.30 | |
| | 10.00 | |
| | 19.00 | Salvatorian Community Renewal of Vows |
| 9th | Fri | Advent Feria |
| | 07.30 | |
| | 10.00 | |
| 10th | Sat | Advent Feria |
| | 10.00 | |
| | 10.30 | Penitential Service |
| | 18.00 | Vigil Mass with Hymns |
| | 19.00 | Confessions & Exposition with Benediction |
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Tree of Jesse, Ingeborg Psalter (1210)

Jesse was the father of the great King David of the Old Testament. As mentioned in the First Reading this Sunday he is regarded as the first person in the genealogy of Jesus.

In Church art there grew up the tradition of making Jesse Trees showing the relationship of Jesus with Jesse and his other ancestors. It shows a tree growing out of the reclining figure of Jesse. The various branches have pictures on them of the ancestors of Jesus. At the top of the tree are the figures of Mary and Jesus.

The Jesse Tree was frequently used to illustrate prayer books and was often a feature of the stained glass windows of some of the great medieval cathedrals of Europe.

Try to make one at home. Take the branch of a tree and hang from it pictures of Biblical figures such as, Noah, Abraham or David or perhaps some religious symbols.

Father Alex

Confessions:

Saturday 10.30-11.00 & 19.00-19.30, First Friday 18.15-18.45

Adoration & Benediction: Saturday 19.00-19.30

Baptisms: Sunday 15.00 (By appointment)

Form Signing: Mon & Weds 18.00-19.00 Term time only

Rosary: Tuesday & Thursday at 18.45.

Intention for December: Peace, love, forgiveness & the truth.

Sunday Readings: Year A **Weekday Readings:** Year 1

Cycle of Prayer: Advent

Openness to the Word of God, Migrants and Refugees,
Expectant Mothers



Feast of the Immaculate Conception

There will be a mass at 19.00 on Thursday 8th December, the Feast of the Immaculate Conception. This is the foundation day of the Salvatorians and the members of the Order will renew their vows at that mass. All welcome.

Salvatorian College – Christmas Hampers

If you know of someone who would benefit from a Christmas Hamper prepared by the pupils of the College, please fill in a nomination form at the back of the Church and return it to the presbytery or the College.

The best things in life
aren't things

Rebuilding of Salvatorian College

Salvatorian College is to be rebuilt as part of the Priority School Building Programme. During re-construction, a number of year groups will move to Priestmead School. **You are invited to a Drop-in Event in the School Gymnasium on Tuesday 6 December, from 16.30 to 19.30. Please note this new date.**

Come and see the latest proposals for the new school building, find out what the timeline is for the rebuild, talk to the builders about the construction process and meet the people working on the project. Architects are now designing the new Salvatorian College, which aims to provide a new building that is fit for the future for 900 pupils. Before they make a planning application, they want to show you progress so far and listen to your views and ideas.



Advent Confessions

Saturday 10th December 10.30 Pen Service & 19.00-19.30
Saturday 17th December 10.30 Pen Service & 19.00-19.30
Tuesday 20th December 18.00-20.00 with Exposition

Christmas Lunch

Please return a form to the Parish Office if you would like to come to the Christmas Lunch for those who would otherwise be alone at Christmas.

St Joseph's School

St Joseph's Catholic Primary School Admissions for September 2017 (DOB: 01/09/2012 - 31/08/2013). Closing date for receipt of applications is 15th January 2017. Please download an application form from school website.

Celebrating Christmas in Song

Friday 16th December at 19.00 at the Niland Conference Centre. See noticeboard for details.

Reflection by Sister Avril OP

Thursday 22nd December at 10.30 in the hut. A Dickens Christmas – The virtues and vices in "A Christmas Carol".

Bethany Group Committee Meeting

Tuesday 6th December at 19.45 in the hut.

No legacy
is so rich as honesty

Shakespeare

Coffee Morning

Coffee morning for Father Patrick's mission this Sunday.

Baptism

Baptism Preparation next week after the 9.30 Mass.

Forthcoming Dates

Salvatorian College 90th Anniv 19.00 7th December
Penitential Service 10.30 10th December
Penitential Service 10.30 17th December
Salvatorian College Carol Concert 19.00 19th December
Penitential Service 19.00 20th December 2016



GRAND CHRISTMAS PRIZE DRAW



1st Prize: £500

2nd Prize: £100

3rd Prize: Luxury Hamper

4th Prize: Malt Whisky

Please pick up books of tickets after mass
Return counterfoils and money to the Presbytery

Tickets £1 each or £5 per book

Donations of Prizes welcome

Draw takes place after 12.30 Mass on 18th December

Salvatorian College



90th Anniversary Mass with Bishop John Wilson at 19.00 on **Wednesday 7th December (note new date)** in St Joseph's Church. College open from 17.00 with display of photos and memorabilia. All past students and teachers welcome.

Diocese of Westminster Year Book

The Diocesan Yearbook is now available at the back of the Church. Copies cost £4.50 put money in newspaper box.

Parish Development Fund

Bingo raised £242.00, Coffee Morning raised £228.00, many thanks to all who supported these events which is very much appreciated by the fundraising team. Next coffee morning will be 18th December.

Christmas Celebration

An evening of Christmas music, readings and words from Cardinal Vincent Nichols will take place on Tuesday 20th & Wednesday 21st December at 19.30 at Westminster Cathedral. Tickets from Ticketmaster or 0844 844 0444.

Cosy Bar Seniors Christmas Party

Friday 16th December at the Cosy Bar, Weald Lane. Lunch provided from 15.00 onwards. All seniors welcome.

Repository

Christmas cards and Christmas gifts in stock. Please pay a visit.

Not what you get but what you give
determines the worth of the life you live

Last Week's Offertory Collection

Sunday 27th November £2,624. Many thanks.

Counting Group

Today Group 8: Next Sunday Group 1.

Church Cleaning

Thursday 8th December, Group 2, 11.30 – 12.30.

Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist Rota

4th Sat 18.00 G Teague, S Mantio, T Kinsella; Sun 8.15 M Correa, R Yep, O Agboro; 9.30 J Donohue, P Horne, J Fay; 11.00 I Walker, 12.30 A Jervis, L McGloin; 18.00 E McCarthy, A Arrigo. **11th** Sat 18.00 G Teague, C D'Souza, T Kinsella; Sun 8.15 E D'Souza, R Yep, T Drew; 9.30 J Donohue, P Horne, J Fay; 11.00 I Walker, M Kelly, G Simpungwe; 12.30 A Jervis, J Conneely; 18.00 E McCarthy, A Arrigo.

Readers' Rota

4th 18.00 C D'Souza; Sun 8.15 B Adeboye, E Arjune; 9.30 A Avenia-Viney; 11.00 M Kelly, C Udom; 12.30 **Reader Required**; 18.00 E Amexo. **11th** 18.00 **Reader Required**; Sun 8.15 E Amalathas, A Yep; 9.30 A Avenia-Viney; 11.00 F Ejiofor 12.30 **Reader Required**; 18.00 P Arrigo.

Recently Deceased

James Treacy, Talbot Road. Funeral: Friday 9th December at 10.00 followed by burial at Northwood Cemetery.

Mike Carey, (Bangor Erris, Mayo) father of Martin Carey. Funeral has taken place in Ireland.

John James Walsh of Radcliffe Road, Harrow. Funeral at St Matthews Church, Northwood 12.00 13th December.

May they rest in peace.