



St Joseph's Church

Wealdstone and Harrow Weald

Served by the Society of the Divine Saviour – The Salvatorians

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Fourth Sunday of Advent

18th December 2016

You must name him Jesus

Mass Times, etc

17th	Sat	Advent Feria
	10.00	
	10.30	Penitential Service
	18.00	Vigil Mass with Hymns
	19.00	Confessions & Exposition with Benediction
18th	Sun	Fourth Sunday of Advent
	08.15	
	09.30	Folk Music & Little Church
	11.00	Solemn Mass
	12.30	With Hymns
	18.00	
19th	Mon	Advent Feria
	07.30	
	10.00	Funeral
	19.00	Salvatorian College Carol Concert
20th	Tue	Advent Feria
	07.30	
	10.00	Funeral
	19.00	Penitential Service
21st	Wed	Advent Feria
	07.30	
	10.00	
	19.00	Folk Group Advent Liturgy
22nd	Thu	Advent Feria
	07.30	
	10.00	
23rd	Fri	Advent Feria
	07.30	
	10.00	
24th	Sat	Advent Feria
	10.00	
	10.30	Confessions
	16.00	Children's Mass
	18.00	First Mass of Christmas
	23.15	Carol Service followed by Midnight Mass
25th	Sun	The Nativity of the Lord
	08.15	
	09.30	Folk Music & Little Church
	11.00	Solemn Mass
	12.30	With Hymns

NB No Evening Mass

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

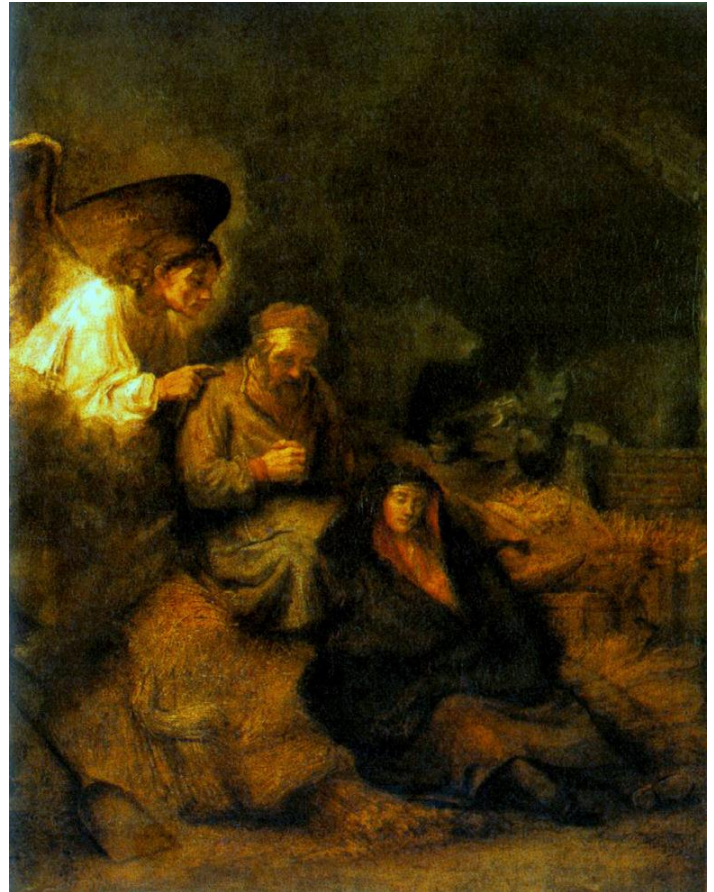
Rosary: Tuesday & Thursday at 18.45.

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



The Dream of St Joseph Rembrandt (1650-55)

St Joseph

The emphasis in Advent changes this Sunday. Over the last two weeks we have heard a lot about John the Baptist. But today the focus is turned to Joseph as we hear how the Angel of the Lord appeared to him in a dream and told him to take Mary as his wife and informed him that what was within her had been conceived by the Holy Spirit.

As we approach Christmas and remember the great day on which Mary gave birth to Jesus we recall also Joseph's vital role and we invoke the intercession of them both on behalf of our families and loved ones.

Alex

Children's Mass



16.00 on Christmas Eve

Christmas Crib

All gifts at the Crib are given to the Catholic Children's Society.

St Joseph's Christmas Services

Cards with a list of our Christmas Services are available at the back of the Church. Please take one home with you.

Love grows
when love flows

Scripture Study Group

The Scripture Study Group resumes on Friday 6th January at 10.30 in the Catechist's Office.

Coffee Morning

Today in aid of the Parish Development Fund. The Grand Christmas Draw will take place after the 12.30 Mass.



Advent Confessions

Tuesday 20th December 19.00-20.00 with Exposition
Saturday 24th December 10.30-11.00

Christmas Dinner

If you can help with the Dinner on Christmas Day arranged for those who would otherwise be alone please sign the board by St Joseph's Altar. Fresh foods should be delivered on Christmas Eve. Please mark donations 'Christmas Lunch'

Folk Group Candlelit Advent Liturgy

The Folk Group will be leading an Advent liturgy on Wednesday 21st December at 19.00. All most welcome.

Little Church

The last Little Church before Christmas is today, sessions resume on Sunday 8th January, Feast of Epiphany.

St Stephen's Guild

Special mass on St Stephen's Day, Monday 26th December, for all our Altar Servers. Several will be inducted into the Guild of St Stephen; we offer them our congratulations and thanks for their service to the liturgy throughout the year.

Offerings on Christmas Day

These are the gift of the Parishioners to the Clergy. We thank you for your generosity and assure you and your families of a remembrance in our prayers.

Make me pure, Lord: Thou are holy:
Make me meek, Lord: Thou wert lowly

Gerard Manley Hopkins

Form Signing

No form signing over Christmas. Resumes on 4th January.

Lights of Life Christmas Tree

The Bethany Group invite you to remember loved ones by hanging a memorial card on the tree by the Blessed Sacrament Chapel. We wish you a blessed and peaceful Christmas.

Forthcoming Dates

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

Drawn today, 18th December, after 12.30 Mass

Appeal for Holly

Church Christmas decorations go up on Tuesday 20th. Please leave spare holly cut to a manageable size (with berries or variegated), today 18th December. Thank you.

Harrow Winter Night Shelter

Harrow Winter Night Shelter will give up to twelve homeless men and six homeless women accommodation from January to March. The shelter needs volunteers to spend one night sleeping there to support the Night Supervisor who stays awake all night with the guests in their dormitory. The overnight volunteer sleeps separately and leaves early in the morning. The shelter cannot run without an overnight volunteer. Contact Mary: 07976 759968/maryprazer.mp@gmail.com for info.

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"*.

It is Christmas in the heart
that puts Christmas in the air

Last Week's Offertory Collection

Sunday 11th December £2,967. Many thanks.

Counting Group

Today Group 2: Next Sunday Group 3.

Christmas Clean Up

Wednesday 21st December: 11.30 - 12.30. All welcome.

Attention Readers & Extraordinary Ministers

Please sign up for Christmas Masses if you are able. Readers are especially needed for the Carol Service at 11.15 on Christmas Eve.

Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist Rota

18th Sat 18.00 G Teague, C D'Souza, S Mantio; Sun 8.15 E D'Souza, M Correa, T Drew; 9.30 J Donohue, J Fay, O Agboro; 11.00 I Walker, M Kelly, J Fajfer-Wieczorek; 12.30 A Jervis, L McGloin; 18.00 E McCarthy, A Arrigo. **25th** Sat 23.15 G Teague, C D'Souza, S Mantio; Sun 8.15 E D'Souza, M Correa, T Drew; 9.30 J Donohue, P Horne, J Fay; 11.00 I Walker; 12.30 A Jervis, L McGloin.

Readers' Rota

18th 18.00 K O'Brien, T O'Brien; Sun 8.15 B Adeboye, E Arjune; 9.30 A Avenia-Viney, P Horne; 11.00 F Ejiofor, P Singh; 12.30 **Reader Required**; 18.00 A Goldwyn, E Amexo. **25th** 23.15 **Readers Required**; Sun 8.15 B Adeboye, E Arjune; 9.30 A Avenia-Viney; 11.00 **Reader Required**; 12.30 **Reader Required**.

Recently Deceased

Thomas Kavanagh, of Pinner. Reception: Sunday 18th December at 19.00. Funeral: Monday 19th December at 10.00 followed by burial at Northwood.

Sarah Harrison, of Harrow View. Funeral: Tuesday 20th December at 10.00 followed by Cremation in Amersham.

Acknowledgement

Mary Clyne's family would like to thank everyone for their Mass cards, prayers and support following their recent bereavement. Thank you for donations to Harrow Disability Association. Mass will be offered for your intentions.