



St Joseph's Church Wealdstone and Harrow Weald

Served by the Society of the Divine Saviour – The Salvatorians

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First Sunday of Advent

2nd December 2018

Mass Times

1st	Sat	Feria
	10.00	
	18.00	<i>Vigil Mass</i>
2nd	Sun	First Sunday of Advent
	08.15	
	09.30	<i>With Children's Liturgy</i>
	11.00	<i>Solemn Mass</i>
	12.30	
	18.00	
3rd	Mon	St Francis Xavier
	07.30	
	10.00	
4th	Tue	Advent Feria
	07.30	
	10.00	
5th	Wed	Advent Feria
	07.30	
	10.00	
6th	Thu	Advent Feria
	07.30	
	10.00	
7th	Fri	St Ambrose
	07.30	
	10.00	
	19.00	<i>First Friday</i>
8th	Sat	Immaculate Conception of BVM
	10.00	
	18.00	<i>Vigil Mass</i>
9th	Sun	Second Sunday of Advent
	08.15	
	09.30	<i>With Children's Liturgy</i>
	11.00	<i>Solemn Mass</i>
	12.30	
	18.00	

Confessions:

Saturday 10.30-11.00 & 19.00-19.30.

First Friday 18.15-18.45

Adoration & Benediction: Saturdays 19.00-19.30

First Friday 18.00-18.50

Baptisms: Saturdays at Noon - by appointment

Form Signing: Mondays & Wednesdays, 6pm – 7pm

Public Rosary: Tuesday & Thursday evenings at 18.45

Sunday Readings: Year B **Weekday Readings:** Year 2

Cycle of Prayer for England & Wales - Easter

New Members of the Church; Vocations; The Right Use of the Media; The Church; Human Work



The Season of Advent

There is a marked change of gear in the Church as we begin a new liturgical year.

This Sunday we switch to purple vestments, we omit the Gloria and the liturgy seems a good bit more sober. These changes remind us that we are now in the Holy Season of Advent, the time when we start to ready ourselves spiritually for the celebration of Christmas.

There are some new things too such as Advent Candles and different hymns. The scripture readings now concentrate on John the Baptist and on the need for repentance. Maybe at home you might put up a Jesse Tree or an Advent Calendar to help the children prepare well for Christmas.

Advent is a uniquely Christian way of preparing for Christmas. It is completely out of sync with the commercial run up to Christmas which focusses mostly on shopping and parties.

Advent is a time if not of actual fasting then at least of sobriety and thoughtfulness. It is a time to repent of our sins so that we are ready to celebrate the Nativity of Christ properly through an increase in our own personal holiness and devotion.

So let us mark the season of Advent in a truly Christian way. Let us use this season as a time for repentance and spiritual preparation so that when it comes around Christmas will be all the better for its sudden arrival.

*With Love
Father Paul*



GRAND CHRISTMAS



PRIZE DRAW

1st Prize: £500

2nd Prize: £200

3rd Prize: Luxury Hamper

4th Prize: Bottle of Malt Whisky

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

Tickets £1 each or £5 per book

Donations of Prizes needed and most welcome

Draw takes place after 12.30 Mass on 16th December in the hut.

First Holy Communion Classes

For children in non-Catholic schools ONLY, 2 classes will be held before Christmas on Thursday 6th December at 6pm and Thursday 13th December at 6pm. These classes will be held in St Joseph's Scout Hut, 43 Claremont Road, Harrow Weald. Please note, children in Catholic schools will begin their preparation next year. A meeting with parents will be arranged before these classes begin.

Salvatorian College – Christmas Hampers

If you know of someone who would benefit from a Christmas Hamper prepared by the pupils of the college, please find nomination forms at the back of the church and return it to the presbytery.

Salvatorian College Carol Service

Salvatorian College warmly invite parishioners to attend the annual Carol Service, which takes place in St Joseph's on Thursday 13th November at 5.30pm. Refreshments will be served after the service.

Advent Extra Magazine

Available to buy at the back of the Church for £1.00. Please put the money in the wall safe marked 'Papers'.

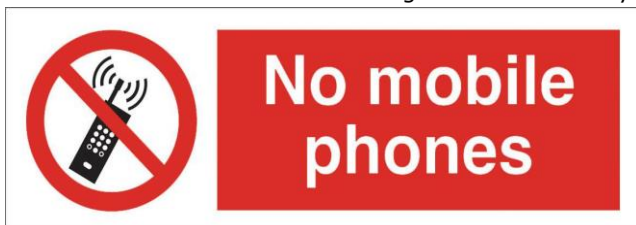
Not what you get but what you give determines the worth of the life you live

Carols by Candlelight

St Dominic's Sixth Form College invite parishioners to Carols by Candlelight on Monday 17th December at 6pm, led by Mgr Jim Curry, Episcopal Vicar and Parish Priest of Our Lady of Victories in Kensington. Refreshments will be served after the service.

Appeal for Holly

The church will be decorated for Christmas on Monday 17th December. If you have any spare holly (with berries or variegated), please leave it in the church porch on Sunday 16th December. Please cut to a manageable size. Thank you.



Forthcoming Dates

First Friday Devotions..... from 6.15pm 7th December
Salvatorian College Carol Service 13th December
Christmas Draw..... 16th December

It's Advent...

Please avoid loud chatter in church

Reflections with Sister Avril OP

Tuesday 4th December at 10.30 in the Convent Chapel at Rosary Priory, Bushey. From Advent to Epiphany. Part One – A Star over Bethlehem. See notice board for details.

Repository

Advent Calendars, Christmas cards and gifts are on sale in the Repository.

Bulletin by Email

All parishioners who have the bulletin sent to them by email, must add 'mail@pamis.co.uk' to their address books, if they wish to continue to receive it in this way. Due to General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR) we are now unable to send you the bulletin without your consent.

School Forms - Certificate of Catholic Practice

A Certificate of Catholic Practice (CCP) will support your application to a Catholic school, *however you may still apply if you do not have one*. A CCP is issued by the parish clergy. Please note that this certificate can only be issued to those families who attend Sunday mass on a regular basis.

**In thought faith
In word, wisdom
In deed, courage
In life, service**

Sanctuary Lamp Intentions

Two lamps constantly burn before the tabernacle to indicate the presence of Our Lord in the Blessed Sacrament. The candles burn for 7 days - Saturday to Saturday. Parishioners may offer these candles for their intentions at £10 each. Please enquire at the Repository.

Unfortunately, there has been a double booking relating to the Sanctuary Lamp Intentions. The bookings are currently appearing one week in arrears. We apologise for this. If you have any concerns regarding a date booked for a special occasion please speak with one of our volunteers in the Repository.

Sanctuary Lamp Intentions

- 1 Umeh Family intentions
- 2 Ann Browne intentions

Church Cleaning

Wednesday 5th November at 11.00am.

Last Week's Offertory Collection

25th November £2,671 – for which many thanks.

Counting Group

Today Group 8: Next Sunday Group 1

Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist Rota

2nd Sat 18.00 C D'Souza, G Teague, S Mantio; Sun 8.15 T Drew, E D'Souza, M Correa; 9.30 J Donohue, P Horne, J Fay; 11.00 I Walker, J Fajfer-Wieczorek; 12.30 L McGloin, J Conneely, A Jervis; 18.00 E McCarthy, A Arrigo. **9th** Sat 18.00 G Teague, S Mantio, C D'Souza; Sun 8.15 T Drew, O Agboro, R Yep; 9.30 J Donohue, P Horne, J Fay; 11.00 I Walker; 12.30 J Conneely, L McGloin; 18.00 A Arrigo, E McCarthy.

Readers' Rota

2nd Sat 18.00 **Reader Required**; Sun 8.15 E Arjune; 9.30 A Avenia-Viney, T Oliveira; 11.00 F Ejiolor, A Mutanda; 12.30 T O'Farrell; 18.00 E Amexo. **9th** Sat 18.00 **Reader Required**; Sun 8.15 A Yep, E Amalathas; 9.30 A Avenia-Viney; 11.00 **Reader Required**; 12.30 **Reader Required**; 18.00 E Kinnear.