



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

9th December 2018

Mass Times

8th	Sat	Immaculate Conception
		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
10th	Mon	Advent Feria
		07.30
		10.00
11th	Tue	Advent Feria
		07.30
		10.00
12th	Wed	Advent Feria
		07.30
		10.00
13th	Thu	St Lucy
		07.30
		10.00
14th	Fri	St John of the Cross
		07.30
		10.00
15th	Sat	Advent Feria
		10.00
		18.00 <i>Vigil Mass</i>
16th	Sun	Third 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



John the Baptist

This weekend we consider the mission of John the Baptist who was called to prepare the way for the Lord. The crux of John's message is beautifully summed up in the final line of the Gospel today: "all mankind shall see the salvation of God..."

John's message remains vitally important for us in today's world too, as we ourselves are commissioned to go out and announce the salvation of our God to those around us. As a way of fulfilling this commission, why not give some thought to encouraging a lapsed family member, neighbour or friend to come along to one of our Christmas masses? It might be the encouragement they need to help them to come home this Christmas.

Advent invites us to prepare well for the coming of Christ, especially his coming at Christmas. As such, I urge parishioners to avoid getting caught up too much in all the commercial hustle and bustle as we run up to Christmas. Do try to make some time to spiritually prepare for Christmas so that you can appreciate the real reason for the season when it comes. We have a couple of events on here in the parish before Christmas, the details of which can be found in the parish Christmas card available at the back of the Church.

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 Sunday 23rd December in the hut.

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.

First Holy Communion Classes

For children in non-Catholic schools ONLY, 1 more class will be held before Christmas on Thursday 13th December at 6pm. This class 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 held before these classes begin.

The hinge of history is to be found on the door of a Bethlehem stable.

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.

Peace Child Advent Service

Led by our Folk Group on Friday 21st December at 7.15pm, celebrating children and lamenting child victims of conflict and the hope offered by the Peace Child, Jesus.

Carols by Candlelight

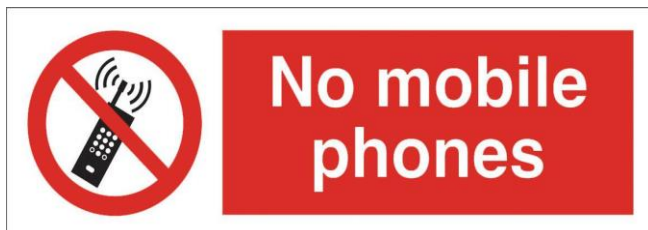
St Dominic's Sixth Form College invite parishioners to Carols by Candlelight on Monday 17th December at 6pm, led by Mgr Jim Curry. Refreshments will be served after the service.

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.

Church Cleaning

Wednesday 12th December at 11.00am.



Forthcoming Dates

Salvatorian College Carol Service 13th December
Penitential Liturgy..... 10.30am 15th December
Peace Child Advent Liturgy.....21st December
Christmas Draw..... 23rd December

It's Advent...

Please avoid loud chatter in church

200 Club November Winners

1st Prize, £250 (12) Kevin Scanlon
2nd Prize, £100 (101) Patrick O'Connell
3rd Prize, £50 (77) Teresa Drew
4th Prize, £50 (90) M P Kumaraswamy
5th Prize, £50 (37) Margaret Peach

Congratulations to all our winners! Next draw takes place on Sunday 6th January. Forms to sign up for the 200 Club are at the back of the Church.

Harrow Winter Night Shelter 2019

The teams from St Joseph's who are cooking for the night shelter also need female volunteers who would be willing to spend one night or more sleeping at the shelter. The guests sleep in one room, supervised by an overnight supervisor who stays awake all night. The overnight volunteers - either one or two per night - sleep in a separate room and are there simply to support the supervisor should the need arise. Dates needed for St Joseph's are Fridays 4th and 18th January, 1st and 15th February and 1st, 15th and 29th March, and Saturdays 12th and 26th January, 9th and 23rd February and 9th and 23rd March. Please contact Mary Prazer on 07976759968 or maryprazer.mp@gmail.com. Both male and female overnight volunteers are also needed on other nights. Please contact Fernando, the night shelter manager, on 07734384831 or fdp@firmfoundation.org.uk

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.

Due to an error, 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 Paddy Kelleher & Aileen O'Keefe+
- 2 Mike & Eamon Carey +

Last Week's Offertory Collection

2nd December £3,009 - for which many thanks.

Counting Group

Today Group 1: Next Sunday Group 2

Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist Rota

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, G Simpungwe; 12.30 T O'Farrell; 18.00 A Arrigo, E McCarthy. **16th** Sat 18.00 C D'Souza, G Teague, S Mantio; Sun 8.15 T O Agboro, E D'Souza, M Correa; 9.30 J Donohue, P Horne, J Fay; 11.00 I Walker, M Kelly; 12.30 L McGloin, J Conneely; 18.00 E McCarthy, A Arrigo.

Readers' Rota

9th Sat 18.00 **Reader Required**; Sun 8.15 A Yep, E Amalathas; 9.30 A Avenia-Viney; 11.00 M Kelly; 12.30 T O'Farrell; 18.00 E Kinnear. **16th** Sat 18.00 **Reader Required**; Sun 8.15 E Arjune; 9.30 A Avenia-Viney; 11.00 P Singh, L Goes; 12.30 Reader Required; 18.00 E Amexo.

Recently Deceased

Salome Cook, Harrow. Funeral: Thursday 20th December at 10.00am followed by cremation at Breakspear.
May she rest in peace.

Acknowledgement

The family of the late *Nick Wickham* would like to thank all those who offered their prayers and condolences at this sad time. Thank you also to all those who generously donated to the Peace Hospice, where Nick spent his final days. Mass will be offered for your intentions.