



# St Joseph's Church

## Wealdstone and Harrow Weald

*Served by the Society of the Divine Saviour – The Salvatorians*

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### 1st Sunday of Advent

**28th November 2021**



Today, we celebrate Advent over the four weeks leading up to Christmas each year.

**Advent** season is an invitation to set our mind off the stresses of the year. We can take our focus off the crazy hustle that can be associated with the Christmas season that often threatens to produce more hassle than delight. Advent is a chance to focus our thoughts on the gift God has given us in his son Jesus who stepped down from Heaven and took the form of a man so that we might believe.

The tradition for the first Sunday of Advent includes lighting the candle of **hope**.

On this first Sunday of Advent, as we prepare our hearts to celebrate Jesus' arrival as a gift to all humanity; let's stir up in our hearts and homes a sense of anticipation. Over this Advent, we pray that **hope** would rise up in our spirits in a tangible and life-giving way.

### Confirmation 2022

Can anyone applying for Confirmation in 2022, please submit your Registration Forms (including the £40 registration fee) to the Presbytery Office (or post through letterbox) as soon as possible.



### YOUR MASSES

#### Cycle of Readings Year C; Weekday Cycle Year 2

Monday: 7:30 & 10.00: Public Mass

Tuesday: **St Andrew, Apostle**

7:30 & 10.00: Public Mass

Wednesday: 7.30 & 10.00: Public Mass

Thursday: 7.30 & 10.00: Public Mass

Friday: **St Francis Xavier, Priest**

7.30; 10.00 & 6pm: Public Mass

Saturday: **St John Damascene, Priest & Doctor**

10.00: Public Mass

**Saturday: 6pm: Vigil Mass**

**Sunday: 2nd Sunday of Advent: 8:15; 9:30;**

**11:00; 12:30.**

In line with advice from the Bishops Conference of England and Wales, our Sunday Obligation returns today (the First Sunday of Advent), therefore, Mass at 11.00am will no longer be live-streamed.

### Pope's Intention for December

We pray for the catechists, summoned to announce the Word of God: may they be its witnesses, with courage and creativity and in the power of the Holy Spirit.

### Rosary intention for December

To pray for peace, love and reconciliation for families.

Rosary & Devine Mercy, Tuesday & Thursday at 6.45pm.

### Resuming Monday Masses

Mass on Monday morning will be resumed from the 1st Sunday of Advent. Parishioners will be welcome to attend Mass at 7.30am & 10am from Monday 29th November. Please note, there will no longer be Mass at 6pm Sundays.



## November The Month of the Holy Souls

3-day votive candles are also available near to the Sanctuary at £3 each. Please use the lighters provided. **FOR YOUR SAFETY, DO NOT LIGHT CANDLES ONE FROM ANOTHER**

*Eternal rest grant unto them O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them.  
May they rest in peace. Amen*



### Christmas Hampers Project

Last Christmas our parish was able to support nearly 100 individuals and families as a result of our Christmas Hamper project. Once again, our schools are helping us to identify families in need. We would also be grateful if parishioners could let us know of anyone who might need some extra support this Christmas. Please forward their name & details to the Parish Office, using the forms at the back of the church, or email: [office@catholicwealdstone.org](mailto:office@catholicwealdstone.org). Details of items required will be shared with you at the start of Advent.

### Confirmation & First Holy Communion 2022 Attendance Cards

From today Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> November, (1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of Advent) all young parishioners who have enrolled for these Sacraments must bring their Attendance Card to Mass each week for the priest to sign. Weekly attendance at Mass is essential if you wish to make your Sacrament. Confirmation candidates can collect their attendance cards from the priest after Mass.

### 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. These may be offered for intentions at £10 each. Please enquire at the Presbytery.

1. Private Intentions

2. Holy Souls



### Coffee Morning

There is a Coffee Morning after all Masses today in the Parish Hall.

### Children's Liturgy

Children's Liturgy takes place during the 9.30am Family Mass every Sunday. Please consider joining our team of catechists – full training will be given. If you can help, please speak with Nancy after the 9.30am Mass or call her on: 07510 076128.

### Parish Council

We will be holding the first Parish Council meeting since the pandemic began on **Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> December at 7pm in the Salvatorian College**. Access will be through the main entrance. All most welcome to attend.



### First Friday Devotions (3rd Dec)

Adoration (5.15pm – 5.45pm) with Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament Holy Mass at 6.00pm.

### St Joseph's Catholic Primary School: Admissions

Supplementary Application Forms are now available on the school's website for places in Reception in Sept 2022 (DOB: 01/09/2017-31/08/2018). Mr Briggs, Headteacher is now conducting school tours for prospective parents. Contact the school office for further details.

### From the Registers...

*Seamus Maughan & Britany McDonagh  
who were married on  
Thursday 25th November  
May the Lord bless them with His Love*

### Recently Deceased

*Noel Michael Braganza*, (husband of Nabat & father of Zemira and the late Diamond Braganza). Funeral: Tuesday 30th November at 10am followed by burial at Carpender's Park Cemetery.

*Alan Gerrard* (formerly of Drummond Drive, Stanmore). Funeral: Friday 10th December at 10am followed by burial in Harrow Weald Cemetery.

*Vicky Donaghey* (daughter of Art & Kate Donaghey & sister of Brian & Tara Donaghey & Karina Nagle). Funeral: Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> December at 10.00am followed by Cremation at West Herts Crematorium.

*May they rest in peace.*

### Need for readers

We would very much appreciate some more volunteers to read on a regular basis at the Sunday Masses. If you would like to volunteer, please speak to the Parish clergy or simply put your name on the rota which is on the notice board by the Sacristy Corridor.

