



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

8th December 2024



The 2nd Sunday of Advent calls us to prepare for the coming of the Lord. It highlights the mission of St. John the Baptist, who boldly prepared the way for Jesus. Often seen as a wild figure, John lived with a clear purpose. He was a real person chosen by God to proclaim the coming of the Lord. We are encouraged to follow John's example, preparing our hearts and helping others encounter Jesus. We are called to be bold in our faith, by saying "no" to wrong actions. Each of us has a role in making Jesus known in our time and place.

New Parish Hall



You may be aware, that in the New Year, we will be moving from the Presbytery to the Community House. Renovation work is being carried out which will

include a new Parish Hall. We are appealing for help to equip this new hall with folding chairs, tables and an IT System to enhance the facilities on offer. We would be very grateful for any help you are able to give and ask that those who are able, gift aid their donations. Envelopes are available at the back of the Church. Many thanks in advance for your generosity.

Form Signing: Mondays & Wednesdays 6-7pm.

YOUR MASSES

Cycle of Readings Year C; Weekday Year I

Monday: Feast of the Immaculate Conception

7.30: Mass

10.00: Funeral

Tuesday: 7.30 & 10.00: Mass

Wednesday: 7.30 & 10.00: Mass

Thursday: 7.30 & 10.00: Mass

Friday: 7.30: Mass

10.00: Funeral

Saturday: St John of the Cross

10.00: Mass

5.15: Exposition/Adoration

6pm: Vigil Mass

Sunday: Third Sunday of Advent

8.15; 9.30; 11.00 & 12.30.

Confessions: Saturday after 10am Mass and during Adoration (5.15-5.45pm) before Mass

Livestreaming link:

<https://youtube.com/@stjosephsharrow>



St Joseph's Christmas Services

Cards with a list of our Christmas Services are available to view on Facebook.

Father Frank Waters SDS

It has now been confirmed that Father Frank will be moving to the Clifton Diocese from 1st January 2025. Whilst we are sad that he is leaving, we wish him every success & happiness with his move. We will be inviting him back, in the New Year, for a special Mass and Presentation, to thank him his many years of prayerful support and dedication to St Joseph's.

Repository

Christmas gifts & cards are now on sale



Christmas Hamper Project 2024

Thank you so much for your generous donations. We have now filled all our hampers, which will be blessed during Mass in the School Chapel. Hampers will be delivered during the week



Advent Peace Service by the Folk Group takes place on Tuesday 17th December at 7.15pm.
All most welcome.

Community Connex : Christmas Pantomime

This Christmas Pantomime will take place this Wed 11th December from 2-4pm in the Parish Hall. Tickets £5 (includes refreshments) on the door.

Congratulations: 200 Club December Winners

1st Prize, £250 Eileen McCarthy
2nd Prize, £100 Jane Noonan
3rd Prize, £50 James Mulhern
4th Prize, £50 Adrian McVann
5th Prize, £50 M Harrington



Appeal for Holly

Please bring holly, to decorate the church, by Sunday 15th December – please leave in the porch.

Feast of St Francis Xavier - Celebration: Today

Our Goan Community will celebrate this Feast at the 12.30pm Mass today, followed by a social gathering in the Salvatorian College Canteen, including a meal, music & raffle. **Tickets available on the door.**



Penitential Services

Wednesday 18th December at 7.00pm
Saturday 21st December after 10.00am Mass

Pope's Intention for December

We pray that this Jubilee Year strengthen our faith, helping us to recognize the Risen Christ in our daily lives, and that it may transform us into pilgrims of Christian hope.

Rosary's Intention for December

We pray for graces to Love and Forgive each other.



St Joseph's Lourdes Pilgrimage Fund

Family Bingo takes place this **Friday 13th December**, in the Parish Hall, from 7.30pm. All most welcome. Donations of prizes would most be appreciated.

Last Sunday's Coffee Morning for **Father Patrick Keaney and the Missions in Tanzania** raised £305. Many thanks for your support

Coffee Morning



There will be a coffee morning after all Masses next Sunday 15th December in aid of St Joseph's Lourdes Pilgrimage Fund. All most welcome.

Recently Deceased

Kitty Bunce (wife of the late Nicholas Bunce). Funeral: Monday 9th December at 10.00am followed by burial at Harrow Weald Cemetery.
Jacque Wright (wife of Bruce). Funeral: Monday 16th December at 10am followed by burial at Carpenter's Park Cemetery.
Mary Lucas (Watford). Funeral: Friday 13th December at 10.00am followed by cremation at West Herts Crematorium.
Agatha Sant (wife of the late Ted Sant) Funeral: Wednesday 18th December at 10.00am followed by burial at Harrow Weald Cemetery.
Teresa Drew (wife of the late Tony Drew). Funeral: Monday 30th December at 10.00am followed by burial at Carpenter's Park.
May they rest in peace.



Sanctuary Lamp Intentions

2 lamps constantly burn before the tabernacle to indicate the presence of Our Lord in the Blessed Sacrament. The candles burn for 7 days – Sat to Sat. These may be offered for intentions at £10 each. Please enquire at the Presbytery.

1. **Father Terry Murray OMI+(1st anni)**
2. **Nora Dinneen (ints)**

Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist Rota

8th Sat 18.00 Sr Vui 8.15 Sr Carmel. 9.30 J Donohue, P Horne 11.00 M Correa 12.30 L McGloin.

Readers' Rota

8th Sat 18.00 Sr Catherine, A Pereira 8.15 E Amalathas, E Arjune 9.30 Roxshan, L Taylor 11.00 P Singh, F Ejiopor 12.30 G Simpungwe, E Kinnear.



Christmas Fair

Tuesday 17th December from 3pm – 6pm in the Salvatorian College. Music, stalls, games, food, rides & tombola. £1 entry – see notice board.

Offertory Collection: 01.12.24 - £1,947. Many thanks.