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FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

1ST/2ND DECEMBER 2018

Readings: Parish Mass Book Year C, Volume 1: Page 82: Jeremiah 33:14-16; Psalm 24; 1 Thessalonians 3:12, 4:2; Luke 21:25-28, 34-46
Next Week: Second Sunday of Advent: Page: 84: Baruch 5:1-9; Psalm 125; Philippians 1:4-6, 8-11; Luke 3:4,6



Watch and Pray

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Advent is a time of watchfulness. We are waiting for the final coming of Jesus at the end of time. Since we don't know when that will happen, we should live in such a way that we are ready to meet Jesus at any moment.

Light the first Advent Candle and pray each day:

Lord, help me to be a peacemaker this Advent and to give special love to those who disagree with me. Give me the strength and courage to forgive those who have hurt me.
Come Lord Jesus.

Lord, help me to be a person of peace, to speak about it in an uneasy world, and to live it among the people you have put into my life every day. **Come Lord Jesus.**

Lord of forgiveness, I turn to you in my great weakness and beg for your help. Let me feel the joy growing in my heart as I anticipate your coming. **Come Lord Jesus.**

Lord, as I begin these early days of Advent help me to believe that you know what I need. Give me the courage and freedom to listen to your voice. **Come Lord Jesus.**

God of strength and protection, I turn to you because I need your help. I long to be free enough to trust that I can lean on on you. **Come Lord Jesus.**

Our Father; Hail Mary; Glory Be.....

Almighty Father, may we go out to meet Jesus bearing the harvest of good works as we watch and pray. **Amen**

Sunday Mass: 6pm (Vigil Mass), Sunday 9am, 11am, 1pm (Polish) & 6pm; Weekday Mass: Monday-Friday 9.30am; Saturday 12noon;
Morning Prayer: Monday-Friday 9.15am, Novena to Our Lady: Tuesdays 10am; Exposition and Benediction: Saturdays 11am;
Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession): Saturday 11am & 5pm

Protecting your Privacy:

In compliance with the General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR) which became effective in May this year the Parish requires your permission to hold your data for Parish/Diocesan use. You can read our full privacy policy on www.rcdow.org.uk/diocese/privacy-policy.

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SACRAMENTS

BAPTISM CONGRATULATIONS

A warm welcome to Darcy-Bell Hingerton and Adam Cesla who will be baptised this weekend and offer our warmest congratulations to her family

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION PREPARATION

The last two meetings before Christmas for those children preparing for First Holy Communion who are not in Catholic Schools are on **Tuesday 4th December** and **Tuesday 11th December** at 4.30pm.

FIRST CONFESSIONS

First Confessions for our First Holy Communion will take place on **Saturday 8th December** from 9.30am-10.30am and 10.45am-11.45am. There will be no Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament or Adult Confessions on this day. Please keep our children in your prayers. There will be Confessions as usual in the evening.

ADULT FAITH FORMATION

The next meeting is on **Wednesday, 5th December** at 7.30pm in the Parish Centre. This course is designed to help you explore the Catholic faith and to become a member of the Church if you wish.

CONFIRMATION 2019

We are oversubscribed and will be running a second confirmation programme from April 25 to June 27. Enrolment dates for the second programme will be published in the newsletter in February.

PARISH NOTICES

PARKING – 2ND DECEMBER 2018

Please take extra care when coming in and out of Church and the school car park on Sunday 2nd December from 11.30am to 6.00pm as the Goan Community are celebrating the Feast of St Francis Xavier and there will be cars coming in to drop people off plus we have our own parishioners at the 11am Mass and the Polish Community coming for their Mass. It would be advisable to park at Feltham Leisure West or Tesco's.

PARISH MASS BOOKS – YEAR C VOLUME 1

The Parish Mass Book for Year C, Volume 1 will commence this weekend, the First Sunday of Advent.

ADVENT RESOURCES

The *My Day by Day* and *Walk with Me* booklets for personal or group reflections during Advent are available in the porch. Price £1.00 per copy.

UCM

The UCM will meet on **Monday 3rd December** at 7.30pm. Unfortunately, Bridget is unable to give the talk printed in the programme. So a talk will be given by Kiki on "My childhood memories of Life during the war years". All ladies of the parish welcome.

ADVENT – CHILDREN'S WORKSHOP

On Sunday, 2nd December - 3-30pm – 5.30pm in the School Hall.

The workshop is for children from 4 – 12 years old. All children under 5 must be accompanied by an adult. There is a charge of £1.00 for each child. This pays for items used during the workshop. All children must be signed in when attending the workshop.

CATECHISTS AND VOLUNTEERS MEETING

There will be a Catechists and Volunteers Meeting on **Saturday 15th December** from 4.30pm-5.45pm to review and plan our work. Please bring a friend.

RECEPTION CLASS ADMISSIONS 2019

The dates and times that Fr John and Fr Peter will be available to see families are:

Saturday 15th December from 9.30am to 10.30am

Saturday 12th January from 9.30am to 10.30am

To make an appointment please put your name on one of the lists on the noticeboard in the Church porch. Make sure you bring your child with you for the appointment, along with their Baptism Certificate and the Certificate of Catholic Practice.

REST IN PEACE

ANNE WEBB RIP

We pray for the soul of Anne Webb who died during the week. Please also keep in your prayers her husband, son and family.

CHRISTMAS TABLE TOP SALE PLUS EXTRAS

The Table Top sale in aid of the Parish Centre is on **Sunday 9th December** after the 9am and 11am Masses. Thank you for your donations. We do not need any more bric-a-brac or second hand goods. We do, however, need bottles and goods for the tombola and raffle, and new toys for children. Tea, coffee available. Donations to be placed in box by Sacristy. For offers of help contact Mary Crawley or Tanya Webster. Get your raffle tickets for the lucky draw of a luxury hamper and many other prizes. Tickets at £1 a strip of £5 for 6 strips.

MASS BOOKINGS

We will be taking Mass Intentions for next year from **Monday 3rd December, from 10am-11am. Each family can offer three (3) Masses only** to be said in St Lawrence's for the year. Any intentions over that will be sent to the Missions. This will enable every parishioner to have a Mass said in Church. The Mass Stipend remains at £10.00 per Mass as recommended by the Diocese, this also applies to Masses being sent to the Missions.

ST LAWRENCE'S SCHOOL

We welcome the children from St Lawrence's school to the 9.30am Mass for the Junior Gift Mass on **Wednesday 5th December.**

CAROL SERVICE OF REMEMBRANCE

This service organised by Lodge Brothers Funeral Service will be held in Church on Sunday 16th December at 3.30pm. All are invited to remember our departed loved ones at this special time of year and to light a candle for them, as well as joining in our favourite carols. Seasonal refreshments will be served afterwards.

SENIOR CITIZENS PARTY

The Parish's annual Senior Citizen's "Christmas" Party will take place on **Sunday 13th January** from 12noon to 4pm. 60 places only. Please put your name down once only on the lists in the porch if you would like to come or if you can help. Details from Philomena Franklin.

PARISH PILGRIMAGE TO LITHUANIA AND POLAND

St Lawrence's Divine Mercy Pilgrimage with Fr Peter will take place from **7th to 13th October 2019** visiting Vilnius & Poland. The cost is £809 for 35 pilgrims on a half board basis including flights, coach tours, entrance fees. If interested, please put your name on the list at the back of the church and take a booking form. Please return completed forms to Florie in the Parish Office. **Deadline is Friday 7th December.**

MASS INTENTIONS

Sat 1 st	11.00 11.00 12.00 12.45 17.00 18.00 21.30	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament Sacrament of Reconciliation George D'Mello RIP Baptism of Darcy-Bell Hingerton and Adam Cesla Sacrament of Reconciliation People of the Parish All Night Vigil
Sun 2 nd	07.00 09.00 11.00 13.00 18.00	Mass to conclude the Night Vigil Frank O'Connor RIP Sabina Alvares RIP Mass in Polish (Msza sw.) James Santhiyago, Cecilia & Edward Cabraal RIP
Mon 3 rd	09.30	Terry Hankin (Intention)
Tues 4 th	09.30	Carmina Costa in Birthday Thanksgiving
Wed 5 th	09.30	Barbara-Ann Adams (Intention) (with School)
Thurs 6 th	09.30	Benjamin & Remedios Masulit RIP
Fri 7 th	09.30	Antoneta Fernandes Ferrao RIP
Sat 8 th	9.30-11.45 12.00 17.00 18.00	No Exposition or Confession this morning First Confession for First Holy Communion Children Ted Chapple RIP (Anniversary) Sacrament of Reconciliation Ivy Adams (Intention)
Sun 9 th	09.00 11.00 13.00 18.00	People of the Parish Timothy Cahalane RIP (Anniversary) Mass in Polish (Msza sw.) Hazel Costello RIP (Anniversary)
Sanctuary Lamp: Emmanuela Danladi in Thanksgiving		

Thank you for your generosity in last week's collection:

24-25 November: Envelopes £924.02 Loose £944.06
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