



St Joseph's Catholic Church



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Sunday 11th December 2022 GAUDETE SUNDAY THIRD

SUNDAY MASS TIMES

(Sat.)	6.00pm	Vigil Mass
	9.30am	Mass
	11.30am	Solemn Mass
	5.30pm	Mass

WEEKDAY MASSES

Monday 12th 10am Mass
Advent FERIA, or Our Lady of Guadalupe

Tuesday 13th 10am Mass
St Lucy, Virgin & Martyr (*Memorial*) *

Wednesday 14th 10am Mass
St John of the Cross, Priest & Doctor of the Church (*Memorial*) *

Thursday 15th 10am Mass
Advent FERIA

Friday 16th 10am Mass
Advent FERIA

Saturday 17th 10am Mass
Advent FERIA

OTHER SERVICES

Rosary: Monday- Saturday after the 10am Mass (except Thurs)

Eucharistic Adoration: Thursdays from 10am Mass, all day, until 8pm

CONFESSIONS

Thursday 6.30 - 7.30pm;
Saturdays 10.30 - 11.30 & 5.15 - 5.45.

READINGS AT MASS

Sundays Year A; Weekdays cycle 2

This Sun: Isaiah 35:1-6,10;
James 5:7-10; Matthew 11:2-11
M. Num 24:2-7,15-17; Matt 21:23-27
T. 2 Cor 10:17 - 11:2; Matthew 25:1-13 *
W. 1 Corinthians 2:1-10;
Luke 14:25-33 *

T. Isaiah 54:1-10; Luke 7:24-30

F. Isaiah 56:1-3,6-8; John 5:33-36

S. Genesis 49:2,8-10; Matthew 1:1-17

Next Sun: Isaiah 7:10-14;
Romans 1:1-7; Matthew 1:18-24

FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT (A)

ROTAS Team 2 today Sun 11th Dec

Team 3 next Sun 18th December

COLLECTIONS last weekend:

Gift Aid Standing Orders	£ 1,133
+Gift Aid weekly envelopes	£ 426
+Cash £615	+ Card £ 177
Parish total	£ 2,351
Advent Charity	£ 160.31

2nd Collections during ADVENT are for our Advent Charity

The 11.30am Sunday Mass is Live-Streamed weekly: <https://www.youtube.com/c/StJosephNewMalden>

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GAUDETE SUNDAY

THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT- Year A

This Sunday, the season of Advent shifts its focus and whilst, up to now, we have been waiting and preparing for the Lord's coming, we get the distinct feeling that the Lord is near and that the wait is almost over! The mood of the readings today is lighter and there is a heightened sense of joyous anticipation. The first reading from Isaiah is full of positivity and tells us to take courage as the Lord and our salvation is near. In the second reading from James, he tells us to 'be patient; do not lose heart, because the Lord's coming will be soon'.

The priest's robes change from the purple of the other Sundays of Advent to a much lighter 'rose' colour, matched by the rose-coloured candle on our Advent Wreath, re-iterating the message of hope and expectation.

As we light the pink 'rose' candle on our Advent Wreath in our churches and our homes, representing JOY, we know we are within touching distance of Christmas Day. Let us be ready to welcome Baby Jesus into our hearts and homes.



Next weekend is **Bambinelli Sunday** and we have Blessing of Bambini at all Masses. Following in the Papal tradition in St Peter's Square, you are invited to bring Baby Jesus from your home Crib so that it can be blessed in readiness for Christmas Day.

St Joseph's Christmas Fayre is THIS WEEKEND.

Please pop into our hall after Mass for a browse and a purchase or two, in support of our Advent Charity - see back for more information.

MASS INTENTIONS This Week: Sun (Sat) 6pm Alison Jane Stark RIP; 9.30 Jennie McCarthy RIP - Anniversary; 11.30 Caroline Antoine RIP; 5.30 People of the Parish; Mon. 10. Damian Attama RIP; Tue. 10. Peggy Wright RIP; Wed. 10. Gertrude Arbuckle RIP; Thurs. 10. Ann Collins RIP; Fri. 10. Edward McCarthy RIP - Anniversary; Sat. 10. All praying the rosary to Our Lady of Fatima; Next Sun (Sat) 6pm In Thanksgiving; 9.30 Mary Grace RIP; 11.30 Elizabeth Barnes RIP; 5.30 People of the Parish; Anne & Menino D'Silva.

SHRINE LAMPS: St Joseph: J. J. E. Wellbeing

St Therese / St John Fisher: Wellbeing of Joan Hale & Rita O'Connell

Our Lady: Ng Family Thanksgiving (both lamps);

Sacred Heart: Dominic HY Wong; **St Pius X:** Nicholas Vella Wellbeing

Thomas More / St Anthony: Thanksgiving for all our Parish Volunteers

Sharon McCormack, a much loved parishioner, passed away Saturday 26th November. Her funeral is her next Monday 19th December at 10am. All welcome.

St Joseph's Advent Charity 2022

We hope to raise funds for a borehole project In Dandou Kissidougou which is on the border between Guinea and Sierra Leone. This is a very rural area with no access to schools, churches, health-care and other facilities. For the many poor villagers living there, there is only one source of drinkable water and it would be around a mile walk away - on rough terrain - for most people. With the money we raise, it is hoped that one or more new boreholes are sunk especially in the vicinity of the church, where the Christian families worship. Christians are in a great minority so this would make a huge difference to their well being and give them a sense of worth and support, greatly missing in an area such as this. All our second collections during Advent will go towards this project. Please be generous. God Bless you.

CHRISTMAS ROTAS FOR LECTORS & EXTRA-ORDINARY MINISTERS

Please sign up on the rota in the narthex if you are available to read or distribute Holy Communion at any of our Christmas Services. This year, Christmas Day falls on a Sunday, so Team 4 should be on duty, but please confirm your availability by next weekend, so that someone else can cover if needed. *Many thanks.*

NEW AUXILIARY BISHOP - On Monday 28 November 2022, it was announced that His Holiness Pope Francis had appointed **Mgr Philip Moger** as an Auxiliary Bishop for the Archdiocese. A priest of the Diocese of Leeds for 40 years, Bishop-Elect Moger has, until now, been the Rector of the National Shrine of Our Lady of Walsingham in Norfolk. The date for Bishop-Elect Moger's Episcopal Ordination will be Tuesday 21 February 2023 in St George's Cathedral, Southwark. We look forward to welcoming him.

SACRAMENTAL UPDATE

CONFIRMATION 2023 - THIS WEEKEND is the last chance to pick up a form from Fr Uche after weekend Masses by young people from Year 9 upwards. These can only be requested IN PERSON by the applicant, and have to be returned to the Parish Office by next Sunday 18th December 2022 at the very latest.

NIGERIAN CHILDREN'S EDUCATION SPONSORSHIP - If you have sponsored children in the past, please contact Agnes to check the correct amount due this year and for any other information or updates. New sponsors are always welcome of course.

Calling musicians and singers for the Christmas Vigil Mass on Saturday 24th December at 5.30pm. Come and join our lively music group for the Christmas Vigil Mass. All music will be provided. Rehearsal takes place at 6.30pm on Sunday 18th December. Email Anne at annedsilva@rcaos.org.uk.

Journeying with our young people. Join our team of catechists journeying in Faith with our young people on their Confirmation Programme starting early 2023. Email Anne at annedsilva@rcaos.org.uk

THE NATIVITY JOURNEY ~ Come and enjoy the real Christmas story at Wintershall, 14-19 December 2022. This is an unforgettable experiencing for the whole family. Please see our noticeboards for more information or, to book, visit www.wintershall.org.uk or call 01483 892167.

ADVENT at ST JOSEPH'S

UCM Carol Service

THIS Tuesday
13th December @ 7.30pm
in the Hall -
All welcome!

Christmas Carol Jam -
Saturday 17th December @
7.30pm. *Come and join in the
singing & light refreshments!*

A FREE SHORT REFLECTION

brought to you each day of
Advent. We know Advent
can be such a busy
demanding time,
but we encourage you to
make some space to reflect
and pray this Advent.
Sign up for our free
Southwark Diocesan
'daily advent reflections'
to aid your prayer. Sign up
via the Commission web site:
www.southwarkdsc.org.uk/
clicking on the Advent
Reflection box. See previous
bulletins for more info.


WARM WELCOMES

Our Hall is open every
Friday from 11am until 3pm
until the end of March,
for refreshments, soup and
company! If you can help
please email:

NewMaldenParishWarmWelcomes

MAKING A DONATION ONLINE

The best way to donate to St Joseph's online is by

Bank Transfer - details here: 

(NB. The details may come up as RCAOS or Southwark - this is also correct)

Please email agnesvella@rcaos.org.uk or call 020 8942 2602 / 07488 241753 if you have any queries.

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