



St Joseph's Catholic Church



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Sunday 17th December 2023

GAUDETE SUNDAY

THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT (B)

SUNDAY MASS TIMES

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

WEEKDAY MASSES

Monday 18th	10am Mass
Advent FERIA	
Tuesday 19th	10am Mass
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Wednesday 20th	10am Mass
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Thursday 21st	10am Mass
Advent FERIA (St Peter Canisius, Priest & Doctor of the Church)	
Friday 22nd	10am Mass
Advent FERIA	
Saturday 23rd	10am Mass
Advent FERIA (St John of Kanty, Priest)	

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;
Sat 10.30 - 11.30am & 5.15 - 5.45pm.

READINGS AT MASS

Sundays Year B; Weekdays cycle 1

This Sun: Isaiah 61:1-2,10-11;
1 Thess 5:16-24; John 1:6-8,19-28
M. Jeremiah 23:5-8; Matthew 1:18-24
T. Judges 13:2-7,24-25; Luke 1:5-25
W. Isaiah 7:10-14; Luke 1:26-38
T. Zephaniah 3:14-18; Luke 1:39-45
F. 1 Samuel 1:24-28; Luke 1:46-56
S. Malachi 3:1-4,23-24; Luke 1:57-66
Next Sun: 2 Samuel 7:1-5,8-16;
Romans 16:25-27; Luke 1:26-38
FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT (B)

ROTAS Team 3 today Sun 17th Dec
Team 4 next Sun 24th December

COLLECTIONS last weekend:

Gift Aid Standing Orders	£ 1,100
+Gift Aid Collection	£ 353
+Cash £579	+ Card £377
Parish total	£ 2,409
ADVENT CHARITY	£162.17
(Current Total £2,031.58)	

Next Sunday is a
**DAY OF PRAYER FOR
EXPECTANT MOTHERS**

GAUDETE (JOY) SUNDAY

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, Paul encourages the Thessalonians to 'Be happy at all times' and to continue praying to the Lord to make us 'perfect and holy' in readiness for the coming of Jesus.

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.



ADVENT RECONCILIATION SERVICE

THIS Tuesday 19th December 7-8pm at St Joseph's.

There will be 3 priests available for individual confession, to help us prepare spiritually for Christmas. All welcome!

MASS INTENTIONS This Week: Sun (Sat) 6pm Martin Fitzpatrick RIP; 9.30 People of the Parish; 11.30 Eamonn Byrne RIP & Lizzie & Josey Cross RIP; 5.30 Manoel Leite da Silva RIP; Mon. 10. Elizabeth Barnes RIP; Tue. 10. Benadict Rosary RIP; Wed. 10. Thomas More Haggar RIP; Thurs. 10. Priscilla Rebello RIP; Fri. 10. Remembered with love - Mr D Maharaj RIP; Sat. 10. Frank Haughey RIP; Next Sun (Sat) 6pm Wellbeing of Ronnie Naylor; 9.30 Mr & Mrs J Hourigan RIP; 11.30 People of the Parish; 5.30pm (Christmas Vigil) Deceased ancestors & relatives of D'Silva & Estebeiro Families; 10pm (Christmas Midnight Mass) Thanksgiving for Vella Families.

SHRINE LAMPS this week: St Joseph: Full Recovery of Albert Ciantar

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

Our Lady: Mrs Maria Harris RIP; Pius X: Sue Oliver's Wellbeing

Sacred Heart: Nancy & Michael Connolly's Wellbeing

Thomas More / St Anthony: Pauline Maher's Recovery



THIS weekend is **Bambinelli Sunday**. You are invited to bring Baby Jesus from your home Crib to one of this weekend's Masses, so that it can be blessed in readiness for Christmas Day.

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

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CHRISTMAS OFFERINGS

This is your personal gift to Fr Uche, who will give a portion of his offerings to the Missions. **If you give by Gift-Aid envelopes, please use the one from your box.** If not, please use one of the Christmas offering envelopes attached to this bulletin or take one from the back of church.



SAINT JOSEPH'S CHRISTMAS CAROL JAM!

Sat 23rd December,
from 7pm, Parish Hall.

Back by popular demand for the third year running, let's come together in the Parish Hall to sing some Christmas carols! ! Led by Peter Morrell. All ages and abilities welcome! Lyrics, sheet music and light refreshments provided!

CHRISTMAS MASSES 2023

SUNDAY 24th, Christmas Eve

5.30 pm ~ Vigil Mass



10pm ~ Readings & Carols



10.30pm ~ Midnight Mass

MONDAY 25th, Christmas Day

9.30 am & 11.30 am ~ Mass of the Day

NB. No 5.30pm Mass on Christmas Day

St Joseph's Nativity Play

Dress Rehearsal on Saturday 23rd Dec from 2-4pm. The play will be performed during the 5.30pm Christmas Vigil Mass on Sunday 24th December.



ADVENT & CHRISTMAS IN OUR BOOKSHOP

Please visit and browse for all of your Advent goods & Christmas cards, cribs, etc. Open after every weekend Mass (and after 10am Mass on weekdays by appointment with the parish office.)



CONFIRMATION 2024 Confirmation Forms must be completed and returned via the presbytery letterbox by TODAY Sun 17th December.

Is God calling you to help our young people? More catechists are needed to help on the Confirmation programme starting next year. Please contact the Parish Office if you would like to join the team.

READERS & EXTRA-ORDINARY MINISTERS & USHERS

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. USHERS are kindly asked to reply to the email from Karen and let us know asap which Christmas Masses they can help at - we are still very low on numbers. *Many thanks.*

All invited to a **SERVICE OF LESSONS & CAROLS** at OLI Church, Tolworth Sunday 17th December at 3pm, followed by a reception in the Parish Hall.

A BIG THANK YOU to all those who bought children's / babies' Christmas presents which were divided between the Good Counsel Network and the (Westminster) Catholic Children's Society, who were delighted and most grateful to receive such generous gifts.

FOLLOW ME! is a course of 8 weekends held over a 12-month period, aimed at young Catholic people between 18 and 30 years of age. It is a journey to help young people to hear the call of Christ and support them on their way to follow the call of Jesus in their life, in the family, in society and in the Church. Each weekend (running at SPEC centre from Friday evening to Sunday lunchtime) will include teaching, sacraments, prayer, small group interaction, outdoor activities, fellowship, as well opportunities to apply the topic of the weekend to your own life. To apply or for more information please email: register@followme.uk.net or visit www.followme.uk.net. (Booking deadline: 31st December 2023. Course starts in February 2024).

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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