

THE PRECIOUS BLOOD OF OUR LORD AND ALL SOULS



2<sup>ND</sup> – 8<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER 2018

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ADVENT SUNDAY (YEAR C)

Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> 9.30am

Family Mass

(Tom Healy)

Entrance

*Come, let us go, up to the mountain of the Lord,  
to the temple of his Holy Spirit.*

*Come, let us go, up to the mountain of the Lord,  
and glorify his Holy Name*

1.) Through noise and confusion  
we approach his glorious throne.  
By graces gifted,  
his power shall be known.

3.) With banners lifted,  
we approach his glorious throne.  
By graces gifted,  
his power shall be known.

2.) Zion, holy mountain,  
we turn our eyes to you.  
Lead us ever closer,  
in spirit and in truth.

4.) Zion, holy mountain,  
we turn our eyes to you.  
Lead us ever closer,  
in spirit and in truth.

Penitential 479

Kyrie Eleison

Offertory 983

Hills of the North Rejoice

Communion 989

Word made flesh

Recessional 84

Like a sea without a shore

11.15am

Solemn Mass

(Anne McDonagh) *See specially prepared music sheets*

6.30pm

Vespers with Advent Carols

Second Collection Today New Church Boiler

FROM FATHER MICHAEL

ADVENT

Jesus is the Alpha and the Omega, the Beginning and the End. In the Beginning God creates all of us in his image and likeness, as his very own sons and daughters. In the End we hope and pray that we will return to God, that we will be embraced by God, that we will be at one with God. This is why Jesus is born for us at Christmas, why Jesus suffers for us on Good Friday and rises again on Easter Day. Jesus is showing us the way. Jesus is leading us to Heaven. Jesus will bring us into those loving arms of our God and Father. Advent is one of the penitential seasons – a time to focus on that Alpha and Omega.

A Happy and Joyful Advent to you all

PARISH CHRISTMAS PARTY SATURDAY 15<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER

Preceded by 5.30pm Vigil Mass with SPRED. Drinks from 6.30pm Please bring food to share.

Raffle Tickets available. Please return stubs and money. Please sign list for prize donations. Donation of prizes gratefully received. Thank you.

Monday	3 <sup>rd</sup>	St Francis Xavier	12.00noon	Mass	(Private Intention)
Tuesday	4 <sup>th</sup>	St John Damascene	9.15am	Mass	(Alan Ridgeway)
Wednesday	5 <sup>th</sup>	St Birinus	9.00am	Mass	(Geraldine Murphy)
Thursday	6 <sup>th</sup>	St Nicholas	9.00am	Mass	(Rosina & Onorio Recchia)
Friday	7 <sup>th</sup>	St Ambrose	7.00am	Mass	(Paddy Tully)
Saturday	8 <sup>th</sup>	Immaculate Conception of The Blessed Virgin Mary	<b>8.00am</b>	Mass	(James & Josephine Kelly)
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>9<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Second Sunday In Advent</b>	<b>9.30am</b> <b>11.15am</b>	<b>Family Mass</b> <b>Solemn Mass</b>	(Kitty & Jim West) (Carmel Jones)

**Second Collection on Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> for Poor Parishes**  
**Second Collection on Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> for Christmas Flowers**

CAFOD WORLD GIFTS – Latest catalogues available on table in entrance. Please take one.

ORDINATION TO THE PRIESTHOOD Please continue to pray for John Waters who is to be ordained at St Chad's Cathedral on Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> July 2019

READING HOLY SCRIPTURE – “The Church is built upon the word of God; she is born from and lives by that word. Throughout it's history, the People of God has always found strength in the word of God, and today too the ecclesial community grows by hearing, celebrating and studying that word.”(Verbum Domini the Post- Synodical Apostolic Exhortation of Pope Benedict XVI in 2010.

To help us celebrate the reading of God's holy word we will commission and bless our readers at the 9.30am & 11.15am Mases on Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> December. If you want to learn more about the Bible do come along to our Journey in Faith Program. All our sessions are based on Holy Scripture.

GOOD NEIGHBOURS PROJECT- invite you to an Advent Party 1.30-3.30pm Monday 10<sup>th</sup> December at St Mary Magdalens's Tea, cake and singing. For help with transport goodneighboursjackie@hopecoventry.org.uk or Jackie Kemp 07763 908 460

**BLESSING OF THE NEW ST ANTHONY STATUE – 11.15AM MASS SUNDAY 16<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER**

Anthony of Padua is the patron saint of lost property. The story is told of a young novice in Anthony's community who ran off with a copy of the Divine Office which Anthony and the rest of the community had great need of. Anthony prayed hard for the return of this important volume. Such was the power of his prayer that the offending runaway novice received a very powerful and spiritual apparition. As a result of this he felt compelled to return the said volume and to make peace with Anthony and his fellow friars. St Anthony pray for us.

**AN ADVENT THOUGHT** from His Beatitude Michel Sabbah, Patriarch Emeritus of Jerusalem.

“Advent is a time to turn towards Bethlehem and behold the inhabitants for whose sake the savior was born, those who still live under occupation, denied their freedom, dignity and independence.”

**JOURNEY IN FAITH**

3 <sup>rd</sup> / 4 <sup>th</sup>	December	Saviour or Tyrant?
14/15 <sup>th</sup>	January	Prayer
21/22	January	Resurrection & Baptism
28/29 <sup>th</sup>	January	Ministry & Reconciliation
4/5 <sup>th</sup>	February	Simon Peter & the Papacy
11/12 <sup>th</sup>	February	Vocation

25/26 <sup>th</sup> February	Ascension & Evangelisation
4/5 <sup>th</sup> March	Holy Spirit
11/12 <sup>th</sup> March	The Holy Trinity
18 <sup>th</sup> /19 <sup>th</sup> March	The Our Father
1 <sup>st</sup> /2 <sup>nd</sup> April	Preparing the Easter Vigil
20/21 <sup>st</sup> May	Mary & the Saints
3 <sup>rd</sup> /4 <sup>th</sup> June	Beatitudes & Commandments

**CHRISTMAS MASSES**

<b>MONDAY 24<sup>TH</sup></b>	4.30PM	<b>CHILDRENS MASS &amp; NATIVITY</b>
	9.00PM	<b>MIDNIGHT MASS- <i>followed by mince pies &amp; mulled wine</i></b>
<b>TUESDAY 25<sup>TH</sup></b>	9.30AM	<b>FAMILY MASS</b>
	11.15AM	<b>SOLEMN MASS</b>

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W/e 25<sup>th</sup> November Gift Aid £233.25 Loose £368.35 Total £601.60 CAFOD £17.65 Hardship Fund £15.00Catholic Youth ££256.88

