



St Augustine's Catholic Church High Wycombe

4th Sunday of Advent (B)
24 December 2017

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Morning Prayer: Monday-Friday 5 minutes before Mass

Sunday 24 Dec – Fourth Sunday of Advent (B)

Day of Prayer for Expectant Mothers

9am +Franz-Joseph & Adelide Humberg

11am People of the Parish

11.30pm Carols /Midnight Mass Mick O'Donovan

Monday 25 Dec – The Nativity of Our Lord, Jesus Christ

9am +Sarah McGreevy RIP-Anniv

11am People of the Parish

No 6pm Mass

Tuesday 26 Dec – St Stephen, Deacon & Protomartyr

10am Altar Servers

11am Polish Mass

Wednesday 27 Dec – St John, Apostle & Evangelist

9.30am +Daniel Ahern RIP-Anniv

Thursday 28 Dec – The Holy Innocents, Martyrs

9.30am No Mass

12.15pm Requiem for Rafael Reyes

Friday 29 Dec – St Thomas Becket, Martyr & Bishop

9.30am Elizabeth Truty Int. (ill)

11am Polish Mass

Saturday 30 Dec – Sixth Day of Christmas Octave

09.30am Holy Souls

10am - 11am Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

10.30 - 11am Reconciliation

Sunday 31 Dec – Holy Family of Jesus, Mary & Joseph

9am People of the Parish

11am +Santiago Lopes RIP

6pm +Mary O'Regan RIP-Anniv

Hymns 9 & 11am: 164, 327, 476, 390, 195

Psalm response

I will sing for ever of your love, O Lord.

Gospel acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!

I am the handmaid of the Lord:
let what you have said be done to me.
Alleluia!

Envelopes on the tables: for your Christmas Offering to your Priests. Many thanks.

Christmas Posters: In the porch. Please take one home with you.

Ushers/Collectors Needed for Midnight Mass. Please speak to Fr Jonathan

Christmas Eve & Christmas Day

The Church will be open for Midnight Mass from 11pm. On Christmas Day the Church will be open from 8am. **Please note there is no evening Mass on Christmas Day.**

Wycombe Homeless Connection: There is a full-time job vacancy for a communications and development officer at Wycombe Homeless Connection. See their website for details: <http://www.wyhoc.org.uk/news> Please see notice in the Porch.

Cafod: Great news - all your effort in supporting the Mauá community in Brazil to stop them being evicted (some of you signed the petition in parishes and at our Harvest Supporters' day) has produced a great outcome! We rejoice with the Mauá community in São Paulo, as the eviction order set for 22 November 2017 has been suspended. Hundreds of families can now keep a roof over their heads this Christmas.

Children's Liturgy: will resume on Sunday 7th January 2018 as we will be taking a break for the Christmas period.

There will be tea, coffee and biscuits available after the 11am Mass on Sun.

31st Dec. - we will also hold an amnesty for all unwanted mince pies, Christmas cake, stollen etc... no questions asked! If you have any, please leave on the Upper Room kitchen hatch before Mass starts.



In the **New Year** we hope to make Tea & Coffee a regular feature after 11am Mass on Sunday. So any Groups or Families please consider whether you might be able to help.

International Mass at: Our Lady of Grace 10am Monday 1st January 2018. The Feast of Mary, Mother of God. All are invited to this celebration. Please bring a contribution if you are staying for the shared meal after Mass. If you would like to assist in the Liturgy - Music, Reading or as an Altar Server please contact Deacon Paul Priestley at: deacon_paul@religious.com or 07591 462894

The Knights of St. Columba will be holding its traditional "Over 65s Party" on **Saturday the 6th of January**, at Our Lady of Grace, Booker, from 12.30pm If you are over 65 (or know someone who is), particularly those who don't get out much, let us know by emailing Mark Sarl on: mark.sarl@gmail.com or phoning Stefan on 01494- 562591. List in the porch for names. If anyone requires a lift please contact Stefan Zachary

White Flower Appeal for SPUC: This will be made on 7th January 2018. Further details to follow.

Of your Mercy.... Please pray for Rafael Reyes whose funeral is here on 28th December, at 12.15pm and Robert Burgess who died recently. Funeral is here on 12th January 2018 at 12noon.

Eternal rest grant to them, O Lord ...

Anniversaries: Elizabeth Nuttall, John Buhagiar, Jean Horsefield, Mollie Burrows, John & Celia Forde, Peggy Forshaw, Josephine Razzell, Sadie Hanna, Anthony Hogan, Margaret Benjafield, Renato Parmegiani, Dorothy Majewski.

Counting Rota 10am

Tues. 02 Jan. Brian Murphy & Carmel Ballard
Mon. 08 Jan. Alison Roche & Imelda Hoey
Mon. 15 Jan. John & Jenny Eaves

Last Sunday's Collection: £969.70 + Standing Orders of £696



Diary of Events

2018

01 Jan - Mary, Mother of God
01 Jan - International Mass O.L.G. 10am
07 Jan – Epiphany of the Lord
08 Jan – Baptism of the Lord
19 Jan – St. Wulstan
19th-21st Jan - Vocations Weekend at the Cathedral



Happy Christmas to one and all

New Year's resolution: Make a difference with CAFOD: Try something that is calorie-free and not injurious to your health but can be life giving and joyful. We really need people to go into our Catholic schools to inspire students to act on their sense of justice. You don't have to be a teacher to do this role, only a passion for CAFOD's work and an ability to communicate well with children and young people. All necessary training, travel expenses and resources will be provided. Please get in touch: northampton@cafod.org.uk or 01844 274 723.