



St Augustine's Catholic Church High Wycombe

Fourth Sunday of Advent (A)

18 December 2022

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Morning Prayer 9.15am Mon-Sat. Evening Prayer 6.15pm

MASS INTENTIONS

Sunday 18 Dec - Fourth Sunday of Advent (A)
O Adonai. Day of prayer for expectant Mothers
9am Martin McDonagh & Mary Alice Nash RIP
11am People of the Parish
6pm Dec'd members of the Kelly Family

Monday 19 Dec - *O Root of Jesse*
9.30am Foundation Mass - Webb

Tuesday 20 Dec - *O Key*
No Mass
10am St Wulstan's

Wednesday 21 Dec - *O Rising Sun*
9.30am Dorothy Pregle RIP-Anniv
6.30pm Holy Souls

Thursday 22 Dec - *O King*
9.30am Foundation Mass - Rutledge
7pm Our Lady of Grace

Friday 23 Dec - *O Emmanuel*
9.30am Josephine O'Regan RIP

Saturday 24 Dec -
9.30am John Walsh RIP

Sunday 25 Dec - The Nativity of our Lord Jesus Christ
9am John Clark RIP
11am People of the Parish
No 6pm Mass

Hymns: 290, 180, 390, 388, 472

Psalm response

Let the Lord enter!
He is the King of glory.

Gospel acclamation

Alleluia, Alleluia!
The virgin will conceive and give birth to a son and they will call him Emmanuel, a name which means "God-is-with-us".
Alleluia, Alleluia!

Acc: 1. We proclaim your Death, O Lord, and profess your Resurrection until you come again.

CONFESSIONS IN THE CHURCH on
Saturday 10.15 - 11.00am (Or ring to make an appointment)

EXPOSITION & ADORATION follow
Saturday Mass, ending with Benediction at 10.50-ish.

CAROL SERVICE: You are invited to a service of carols and readings of the Christmas story. **Today at 3pm.** Friends, family everyone is welcome.



ADVENT PENITENTIAL SERVICE: This will be held at **St Augustine's on Wednesday 21 December at 7.00pm.** Taking part in this service is a great part of our preparation for Christmas that we may welcome Jesus' coming with hearts free from sin.

Parish	Date	Time
IHM & St Columba's at IHM church	Thursday 15 th December	7pm
Our Lady's, Chesham Bois	Monday 19 th December	7pm
St Teresa's, Beaconsfield	Tuesday 20 th December	7:30pm
St Aidan's, Little Chalfont	Wednesday 21 st December	7pm
St Augustine's, High Wycombe	Wednesday 21 st December	7pm

CHRISTMAS MASS TIMES

CHRISTMAS EVE: (Saturday)

9.30am Mass

CONFESSIONS IN THE CHURCH

10.15 - 11.00am (Or ring to make an appointment)

7.30pm Vigil Mass for Christmas

11.30pm Carols

12.00 Midnight Mass

CHRISTMAS MORNING:

9.30am 'Dawn' Mass (NB 9.30!)

11.00am Mass during the Day:

No 6pm Mass

LAST SUNDAY'S COLLECTION: £525.63

+Standing Orders of £696

CHRISTMAS OFFERING: Envelopes are now available for those who wish to use them for the Christmas Offering. Whereas on most Sundays the Collection is for the running of the Parish, at **Christmas and Easter it goes to the Priests of the Parish.**

BIBLE ALIVE: Bible Alive is a monthly Catholic scripture magazine which draws its strength, inspiration and direction from the liturgical cycle. "From the Bible we draw life, strength and power to live the Christian life. The essence of Bible Alive are daily reflections. They are written in an accessible and warm style. There are also features covering a wide array of subjects and interviews on matters relating to living the Christian faith today. The teaching is drawn from the rich teaching of Vatican II, the Catechism of the Catholic Church, and the teachings of the recent Popes. Each month also includes features exploring in depth and detail the life witness of either a beati, a canonized saint or a hero of faith. **Subscription for one year is £29.99, starting on January 1st. For more details contact Marian Dunsire on 01494442993.**

YOUR LEGACY: Please pick up a leaflet from the Porch and tables in the Church, from the Diocese. How you could help secure the future of our Church for the benefit of those following in your footsteps.

REPOSITORY: Will be open after all Masses. All items have the price on them. If no one is on the stall to collect the money please put it in the **Newspaper box in the porch.** Thank you.

SICK & HOME VISITS: If you know of anyone who is ill or housebound please let Fr. Jonathan, Fr. Daniel or Viviane Gifford (07748 657729) know, so we can arrange for a visit and to receive Holy Communion if they wish.

DIOCESAN DIRECTORIES: Available at the back of the Church price £3.

CHILDREN'S LITURGY TODAY at 11am Mass.

THEN

NO CHILDREN'S LITURGY UNTIL NEW YEAR.

Please look in newsletter to find out when we resume.



FIRST HOLY COMMUNION: Our children's classes will be beginning in the New Year, and we invite anyone who might like to assist with this to **get in touch as soon as possible.**



Classes will be at weekends in the afternoon and **any helpers do, of course, need to go through the safeguarding checks.** You don't need to have prior experience of this work. You may, for example, just observe and assist this year and perhaps be a leader next year. It's all up to you.

CONFIRMATION 2023 Booking forms are available in the Porch. **To be returned before Christmas please.** Course will start in the New Year.



REGISTRATION FORMS for new parishioners are on the notice board in the porch.

TEA AND COFFEE in the Upper Room after the 11am Mass. All are welcome, but please do not block anyone in, in the Car Park. All proceeds will go towards **SVP NO SUNDAY TEAS AFTER MASS on 25 Dec and 1 Jan 2023**



ROSARY ON MONDAYS: after 9.30 Mass followed by Tea & Coffee in the Upper Room. Please do not block anyone in, in the Car Park.

THE SVP (SOCIETY OF ST. VINCENT DE PAUL) WEDNESDAY FRIENDSHIP GROUP.



at: St. Augustine's Church, in the Upper Room after 9.30am Mass, till about 12.30pm

Please note there will be NO FRIENDSHIP GROUP ON WEDNESDAYS

21 Dec

28 Dec+

Or 4 Jan 2023

WE RESUME ON 11 JAN 2023.

ONLINE ROSARY

All welcome. Thursday evenings 7.45 - 9pm via Zoom. For joining details, contact Deacon Brin on 07931 607249 or email:

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CHURCH CLEANING ROTA (in the Porch)

24/12/22 Catherine

28/12/22 Maria, Noreen & Liz

04/01/23 Sandra, Pauline & Tony

11/01/23 Winston & Prem

21/01/23 Valentina & Catherine

25/01/23 Maria, Noreen & Liz

LECTIO DIVINA Thursdays at 11am

Sessions are over Zoom (joining from 10:45 to start at 11:00) and will last a maximum of 1 hour 30 minutes. For further details on how to join, please contact: Marian Dunsire marian_dunsire@outlook.com, Anne Freier: freier1961@gmail.com, or Kathy Russell: karussell43@aol.com

RIGHT TO LIFE - 18th (Fourth Sunday of Advent) - "On Monday, we commemorated the feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe. We ask for the intercession of this patroness of the unborn, saying: 'Let us implore the gift of children for families without children, respect for conceived life and the openness of hearts to Gospel values.' Lord hear us".

RIGHT TO LIFE UK have released a short two-minute video called *The Ten Million*, www.righttolife.org.uk/thetenmillion

PARISH CINEMA: Our parish will be hosting

The CHOSEN

whole episodes of **The Chosen every week** which depicts the life of Jesus as seen through the eyes of the people who knew him. **Showings every Tuesday at 6:30pm and Thursday at 3:00pm at St Augustine's.** Tea and coffee will be available, but please bring snacks for you and for others.

Online Advent Retreat, Thursday 22

December, 7.30pm or any time afterwards.

Week 4: courage. Having explored attentiveness, wonder and trust, we now move to the final characteristic of the Magi – courage. Take time in the busiest week of the year to spend an hour of Advent reflection.

Find all previous episodes and sign up here: https://pastoralministryoffice.org/walking_by_starlight-2/

MARIA SCHAFFER, has finished her Sleep Out for the Wycombe Homeless. If you sponsored her and haven't paid yet. Please do so at: www.justgiving.com/maria-schafer1 or give the money to Maria.

DIVINE ADORATION IN JANUARY



You are invited to another beautiful evening of Eucharistic Adoration, including praise and worship and prayer ministry, here at St. Augustine's, on Saturday 14 January, at 7pm. A date for your diary and a wonderful way to start 2023. Everyone is welcome. Please invite your friends and family.

We have some incredible news! Until 31 January 2023, every donation made to our Double the Love appeal will be matched, up to £1.5 million.



Together, through Double The Love, we can transform the lives of many more desperately hungry children waiting for Mary's Meals.

RESIDENTIAL FOR ALL IN YEAR 7-YEAR 13. NYMO are once again running our **Annual LUX weekend from 3rd-5th Feb.** The weekend is packed full of fun activities, moving times of prayer and inspirational talks. Come and join around 100 other young people from all parts of the diocese for an unforgettable weekend! For more information and to book a place check out our website. Fr Daniel will be attending as well! www.nymo.org/lux

In your mercy... Please pray for Terry Rodrigues who died on 6 December. His funeral will be here on 4 January 2023. Please keep him and his Family in your prayers.

Eternal rest grant to them, O Lord...

ANNIVERSARIES

George Hazell, Jean Horsefield, John Forde, Christopher Wall, Pamela & Gerald Duckham, John Clark.

DIARY OF EVENTS

25 Dec - The Nativity of Our Lord
26 Dec - St Stephen
28 Dec - The Holy Innocents
29 Dec - St Thomas Becket
30 Dec - The Holy Family

ONLINE DIOCESAN COMMUNICATIONS

can be found as follows:

Instagram: dioceseofNorthampton

Facebook: RC Diocese of N Northampton

Twitter: @RCNorthampton

YouTube: Northampton Diocese

+Useful Websites:

<https://northamptondiocese.org>

<http://www.catholicreadings.org>

<http://www.heavensroadfm.com>

<http://www.walsingham.org.uk>

<https://www.cbcew.org.uk>

<https://northamptondiocese.org/donate/>

<http://cafod.org.uk>

<https://catalog.obitel-minsk.com/icons-prav.html>

PRAYER TO ST MICHAEL

Holy Michael, the Archangel defend us in the day of battle. Be our safeguard against the wickedness and snares of the devil. May God rebuke him, we humbly pray, and do thou, O prince of the Heavenly Host, by the power of God, thrust down to hell Satan and all the wicked spirits who wander through the world for the ruin of souls. Amen.

