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This week at the Cathedral

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| Sunday 9th
17:30 (Sat)
08:00
10:00 | Second Week of Advent
Vigil: <i>Anne Holly & Ruth Cullen</i>
Mass: <i>Billy Sullivan (RIP)</i>
Mass: <i>Cheryl Davies (RIP)</i> |
| Monday 10th
09:15 | St. John Roberts, Priest, Martyr
Mass: <i>Dennis Morgan (RIP)</i> |
| Tuesday 11th
09:15 | St. Damasus I, Pope
Mass: |
| Wednesday 12th
18:30 | Our Lady of Guadalupe
Mass: <i>Jack Rees (RIP)</i> |
| Thursday 13th
09:15 | St. Lucy, Virgin & Martyr
Mass: |
| Friday 14th
09:15 | St. John of the Cross
Mass: |
| Saturday 15th
09:15 | Immaculate Conception
No Mass: |
| Sunday 16th
17:30 (Sat)
08:00
10:00 | Third Sunday of Advent
Vigil Mass:
Mass: <i>Jack & Kate Hartigan</i>
Mass: <i>Moira & Richard Heady (RIP)</i> |

Ministries Schedule for the week.

	17:30	08:00	10:00
Euch. Min.	Alan Cura Rowena Cura		Joyce Eynon Grace Beaman
Readers	MC Pitson Tess Davies	David Maddox Angela Cooze	Christine Nutt Val Fisher

The Holy Father's General Intention for December: That people, who are involved in the service of transmission of faith, may find, in their dialogue with culture, a language suited to the conditions of the present time.

The Cycle of Prayer: During advent and Christmastide, we are invited to pray for Openness to the Word of God, for Migrants and Refugees, and for Expectant Mothers.

Vocations Prayer

Lord, make me a better person, more considerate towards others, more honest with myself, more faithful to You. Make me generous enough to want sincerely to do your will whatever it may be. Help me to find my true vocation in life and grant that through it, I may find happiness myself and bring happiness to others. Grant, Lord, that those whom You call to enter the priesthood, diaconate or religious life, may have the generosity to answer Your call, so that those who need Your help may find it. We ask this through Christ Our Lord. Amen

Pray for them

Let us remember the sick in our homes & hospitals:
 Bishop Daniel Mullins, Canon Seamus Cunnane, Deacon Tony Lawrence, Deacon Peter Hounslow, Teresa Williams, Ian Williams, Jean Davies, Brian Gabriel, Mary Church, Christopher Browne, Lee Ellery, Dixie Hale, Taylor Mai, Jeffery Jones, Heather Mitchell, Neil Andrew Francis, Nathan Jones, Gary Lewis, Anne Kavanagh, Brian Nutt, Bernard Kenealy and all the sick. May the Lord lay his healing hands upon them.

Anniversaries: Monica Price; Peter John Rees; Paul Anthony Jones.



Sanctuary Lights:

- (1) For Healing: **Gary Lewis**
- (2) In memory of **Margery Perkins**



Notices

Parish Carol Service: Tuesday 18th December at 6pm with festive refreshments in the hall afterwards.

*****Practice sessions** will be next Monday 10th December from 6pm to 7.15pm and Sunday 16th December from 5:00-6:00 p.m. Please could children please come by 5:00 p.m. on Tuesday 18th for a quick practice before the Carol Service begins.

We would like as many children as possible to participate so could they please come along to the practice sessions. Many thanks.

From the Youth Group: Upcoming Events

Tuesday 18 th December	Parish Carol Service: with festive refreshments in the parish hall afterwards.
February	Youth Retreat Day – Theme: "We Are The Church"

The SVP would like to thank everyone for their kindness and generosity for this year's collections, we raised over £560. £200 have been giving out to local families in need, and some of the money will be used for our twinnage project in Sudan and sponsoring an Indian student through nursing.

The SVP would like to wish everyone a Joyful, peaceful Christmas and a Happy New Year.'

Bishop Vaughan Catholic School Christmas Fayre : Tuesday, December 11th from 3.30pm – 6.30 pm

If anyone is interested in running a stall or would like information, please contact Kirsty Smith on 01792 772006.

FIRST COMMUNION PROGRAMME Classes take place every Monday from 6 p.m. till 7 p.m. in the Parish hall. There will be no classes during the school holidays. Please ensure that you have registered and spoken to Canon Benedict before attending the classes.

Confirmation Programme 2019: Classes take place on Thursdays at 6:00 p.m. Please ensure that you have registered and spoken to Canon Benedict before attending.

RCIA Programme: Meetings take place on Tuesday mornings, at 10:30 a.m. in the Library of Clergy House. Please inform those who are interested. This programme is also open to anyone wanting to learn more about their faith.

Newsletter: It has been observed that many parishioners are not taking their newsletters home, but leaving them behind in the pews. Please kindly take it home with you and re-read it at your leisure.

Advent Season: *The liturgy of Advent...helps us to understand fully the value and meaning of the mystery of Christmas. It is not just about commemorating the historical event, which occurred some 2,000 years ago in a little village of Judea. Instead, it is necessary to understand that the whole of our life must be an 'advent,' a vigilant awaiting of the final coming of Christ. To predispose our mind to welcome the Lord who, as we say in the Creed, one day will come to judge the living and the dead, we must learn to recognize him as present in the events of daily life. Therefore, Advent is, so to speak, an intense training that directs us decisively toward him who already came, who will come, and who comes continuously." St. John Paul 11*

Your last week's offerings: £968.67
(Including Standing Orders and 2nd Collection)
PLEASE REMEMBER THE PARISH IN YOUR WILL

** Gift Aid returns will reduce the weekly deficit, but will not make up the shortfall. If you are a tax payer and you are not already signed up to the Gift Aid giving system, please consider doing so, it will not cost you any extra, but the Church will get the benefit of tax relief.*

A warm welcome to those who have recently made the Cathedral their regular place of worship. It is a good idea to let your Parish Priest know your name and address so that he will know who, and where, you are. Furthermore, if you are already an Altar Server, Reader etc. and would be prepared to exercise your Ministry here, please speak to the Parish Priest.

Mass Intentions Received; Jack Rees (RIP); Agnes & Percy Watts (RIP); Intention of De Marco Family; and Intention of Webborn Family; Gary Lewis (Sick).

Sanctuary Lamp Requests: Gary Lewis (Sick)

Hymns for Sunday Liturgy

Opening Song	Lo, he comes with clouds descending	109
Preparation of Gifts	Gifts of bread and wine	643
Communion	This is Body	627
Closing	Guide me o thou great redeemer	960

Choir Practice: Rehearsals will take place every Monday between now and Christmas.

New members always welcome. Please see Andrew after the 10:00 a.m. Mass or contact the Office.

Piety Shop: Christmas cards, gifts, 2019 calendars and diaries now on sale.

Advent Lunches (St. David's Parish): Why not join parishioners at St Davids in their Advent Lunch following the 12.30 Mass on Saturday 22nd Dec. There will be a choice of soup with French bread, cakes, tea and coffee. The suggested donation of £3.00 will be shared between CAFOD and the Church Restoration Fund. It will be a nice social occasion and a quiet break away from the Christmas crowds.

Children's liturgy: The Children's Liturgy is held on the first Saturday of each month only. All First Holy Communion candidates and their families must attend weekly Masses, sitting in the first 3 pews in front of the pulpit. Candidates must also sign the Register positioned at the front of the pulpit.

Business Matters: For all official matters, please contact the Parish Office. Canon Benedict is very happy to have informal chats with everyone after weekend Masses, but official matters are better discussed in the office.