



Blessed Sacrament Parish Newsletter

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MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday 18th November

5.30 pm – Rosary

Vigil Mass – First Mass of Sunday

6 pm – Ligory & Cecilia Moras RIP (V. & O. Moras)

Sunday 19th November

THIRTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (A)
(World Day of the Poor)

9.30 am – People of the Parish

11.30 am – Deodita D'Souza RIP (J. Vaz)

Monday 20th November – **NO MASS**
Father's & Clare's Day Off

Tuesday 21st November – The Presentation of the Blessed
Virgin Mary – Mass, Adoration & Benediction

6.30 pm – Jean Ling's Intentions (N. Pye)

Wednesday 22nd November – St. Cecilia, V, M

9.15 am – Margaret Feeney RIP (Jim & Family)

Thursday 23rd November – Mass, Adoration & Benediction
(HOLY HOUR)

9.15 am – Mary Clifford RIP (B. Sharman)

Friday 24th November – St. Andrew Dung-Lac, Pr., & Comps,
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9.15 am – Deceased Members of Lloyd Family
(M. Lloyd & Family)

Saturday 25th November

5.30 pm – Rosary

Vigil Mass – First Mass of Sunday

6 pm – Norma Powell RIP (R. Nickerson)

Sunday 26th November

OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST THE KING (A)
(Youth Day)

9.30 am – People of the Parish

1130 am – Thomas Llewelyn Davis RIP (M. Ferguson)
including the Baptisms of Uma & Mimi Turner-Humphries

SAFEGUARDING

Please accompany your child(ren) to the toilet if they need it whilst in the Church.

SILENCE!

PLEASE keep **SILENCE** before Mass especially during the Rosary on Saturday evenings. People may be trying to pray and listen to God. Thank you.

CONFESSIONS

Father Paul is available for confession:
Saturdays 5-5.30pm.
Tuesdays during adoration after 6.30pm Mass.
Thursdays during adoration after 9.15am Mass.

OFFICE EMAILS

Please be aware that emails sent over the weekend or on a Monday will not be seen until the Tuesday. Thank you.

NEWSLETTER DEADLINE

If you require a notice to appear in the newsletter – the deadline is on **Wednesdays.**

COLLECTION PLATE

Week ending 11th & 12th November 2023
Envelopes & Loose Plate - £456.28
Thank you for your generosity

GIFT AID ORGANISER

Our Gift Aid organiser is Greg Carvalho. His contact is: greg@god.co.uk or on 261302.

MEDITATION GROUP

WCCM Meditation Group meets online at 8pm on Mondays. Please contact Val directly on 07887785502 or email her on valhilsley@btinternet.com



INTERNATIONAL LUNCH

There will be an International Lunch in the Hall to celebrate Advent and our Parish's diversity on **Saturday 2nd December 12 noon till 2pm.**

The Justice and Peace Group invites everyone in the Parish who can, to come to our lunch with a small plate of food. There is no entry charge but there will be an opportunity to make a donation on the day. Money raised will be divided between the CAFOD Emergency Disaster fund for the victims of the Palestinian/Israeli conflict and Aid to the Church in Need which is running a project to help reduce economic migration by creating jobs in Africa.

To assist the Justice and Peace Group's preparations, please fill in a list on the Welcomers; Desk with your name, how many people intend to attend and the food you intend to bring. Hopefully, this will avoid an overabundance of mince pies or sausage rolls!

SECOND COLLECTION

This weekend, 18th and 19th November we will be having a second collection for St. Pius Primary School Parent Association who are raising funds for new playground equipment.

ST. PIUS X CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL - TOURS FOR SEPTEMBER 2024 ENTRY

St. Pius X Primary School have their School Tours for September 2024 entry. To tour the school, you will need to book a place. Please ring on 01245 354875.

Date for final tour is:
Thursday 23rd November 2023 – 2pm

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION SESSION



The Second of our First Holy Communion Sessions takes place on Saturday 25th November. We will meet in the Church Hall. Doors open at 9.00am and we will start the session promptly at 9.15am. Please make sure that your child brings their 'I Belong' book and their session attendance sticker booklet.

REVERSE ADVENT CALENDAR

As in previous years we are asking our parishioners if they could create a 'reverse' advent calendar box for either the Little Edi Foundation or the Foodbank. Please feel free to change your gifts to suit your budget. If you can't make a box, maybe you could pop a few articles into either the Little Edi or Foodbank box instead? Thank you for your support, it truly makes a difference.

SILENT WEEKEND RETREAT – BE STILL MY SOUL – FRIDAY 8TH TO SUNDAY 10TH DECEMBER 2023



Venue: Sion Community, Brentwood. Our theme focuses on the need to learnt the 'art' of being still and at rest in the midst of a busy and noisy society. Guest speaker: Grace Nowakowska, full-time lay missionary member of Sion Community. This silent weekend retreat during Advent offers us the opportunity to spend time with the Lord in quiet prayer and reflection. 40-HOURS of CONTINUOUS Adoration, spiritual guidance & prayer ministry included. For more information or to book, visit <https://sioncommunity.org.uk/adults/> or email allegra.mutanda@gmail.com

More information on the Church noticeboard.

RAFFLE TICKETS



Our Christmas 2023 Raffle tickets will go on sale next weekend (from 25th November). They will be inside your newsletter. However, you can pick up spare envelopes at the welcomers' desk for family and friends. Please be aware that this is our **MAJOR** fundraising event for the Church, so please buy as many tickets as you can. The hampers will be available to view at the beginning of December – we are still hoping to receive a few more wicker hampers!

Hopefully, we can beat last year's amazing total of **£2,165.00**

RCIA

Please speak to Father Paul if you are interested in joining the RCIA course. It will be starting soon!

ADVENT TALK ON THE PROPHET ISAIAH

In preparation for the beginning of Advent Fr Adrian Graffy, parish priest of Gidea Park and Scripture scholar, will be giving a talk on the Prophet Isaiah at 7 pm on Wednesday 29th November in the parish hall at the Catholic Church of Christ the Eternal High Priest, Gidea Park, RM2 6DH. The talk is free and is in person, and it will also be live-streamed on www.whatgoodnews.org. No booking necessary. A recording of the talk will be made available subsequently on the same website.