



### CHURCH CLEANING

Our Church cleaning in preparation for our Choral Concert & Christmas masses will take place on **Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> December** after the 9.15 am mass. Mince pies, tea & coffee will be available. All welcome.

### 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.

### 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 30<sup>th</sup> November & 1 December  
  
Envelopes & Loose Plate - £600.52  
Thank you for your generosity.

### GIFT AID ORGANISER

Our Gift Aid organiser is Greg Carvalho. His contact is: [greg@god.co.uk](mailto: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](mailto:valhilsley@btinternet.com)

### CHORAL CONCERT EVENING

With the **BOEHAM LADIES CHOIR**  
At Blessed Sacrament Church  
Melbourne Avenue, CM1 2DU  
Friday 13<sup>th</sup> December  
Starting 7.30pm

Tickets cost **£5** and are available at the door - Cash only please



#### Raffle Tickets on sale

All proceeds to 'Blessed Sacrament Hall Refurbishment Fund'

For further details contact 01245 354256

Refreshments available (donations gratefully received)

**EVERYONE WELCOME**

### RAFFLE TICKETS



Christmas Raffle is now available for you to look at and you can purchase your tickets. Please purchase as many raffle tickets as you can and take home envelopes to give to family and friends so that they too can buy tickets. Each ticket costs £5. This is our **MAJOR** fundraising opportunity.

The draw will take place on Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> December at the end of our Christmas Carol Service.

### THE J&P GROUP NEED YOUR HELP!

The Justice & Peace Group are supporting the rough sleepers initiative again this Advent. There is an urgent need for the following items:  
Sleeping bags or small tents, warm hats, gloves and socks, wet wipes, deodorant, bottles or cans of water or soft drinks, snacks such as cereal bars, crisps, sweets or pot noodles, etc.  
Please, no duvets or clothes. There is a box in the church porch for donations. Thank you for your support.

# Blessed Sacrament Parish Newsletter

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### ALTAR SERVERS CHRISTMAS TRAINING

There will be an Altar Servers training session in preparation for Christmas services on Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> December at 11am. **All** Altar Servers please attend this meeting. Any queries please speak to John Donachie.

### BRENTWOOD DIOCESAN 2025

**DIRECTORIES** have arrived!  
Ringbound copies £4.40 and bound editions £3.20. Directories to be found in the repository.

### DAY BY DAY ADVENT BOOKS

are on sale £1 per book. Please leave your £1 in the basket at the welcomer's desk.



### ADVENT & CHRISTMAS SERVICES

**FRIDAY 20<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER**  
**7PM - CANONESSES ADVENT REFLECTION**

**SUNDAY 22<sup>ND</sup> DECEMBER**  
**7 PM - CAROL SERVICE**

**TUESDAY 24<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER**  
**6 PM - CHRISTMAS FAMILY MASS INCLUDING NATIVITY**

**TUESDAY 24<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER**  
**10 PM - 'BETHLEHEM MIDNIGHT' MASS**

**WEDNESDAY 25<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER**  
**10 AM - CHRISTMAS DAY MASS**

**THURSDAY 26<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER**  
**10 AM - MASS FOR FEAST OF ST. STEPHEN**

### ADVENT LUNCH THANK YOU

A huge thank you to all parishioners who supported the Advent Celebration lunch. We raised £560 for the Sisters of the Resurrection in Goma. Which is wonderful and reflects on people's compassion and generosity.

During December all monies from the Green Box at the back of the Church will be added to the sum raised last weekend and given to Sisters Moira and Margaret in the New Year. If you want to contribute, please put your donations in the Green Box. Please, do not hand it to individuals to pass on as it may be mislaid or confused with other fund raising.  
Thank you.

### JOURNEY THROUGH ADVENT TOGETHER WITH THE CANONESSES

The Community are offering four zoomed Advent Reflections at 5.30pm on each of the Sundays of Advent (8<sup>th</sup>, 15<sup>th</sup> and 22<sup>nd</sup>). Everyone is welcome - the link is <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86088969935?pwd=UMrMPQp0RjdmBg9qIM7qVLzefsXDxN.1> It can also be found on our website - [www.canonesses.co.uk](http://www.canonesses.co.uk). These Reflections will replace our normal zoomed Sunday Evening Prayer & Gospel sharing.

Also, on Friday 20<sup>th</sup> Dec at 7pm in Blessed Sacrament Parish, we will have an 'in person' Advent Reflection followed by seasonal light refreshments - again, anyone is welcome to join us.

### NINE LESSONS & CAROLS AT BRENTWOOD CATHEDRAL

On Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> December at 4pm is Nine Lessons & Carols. This will take place at Brentwood Cathedral. All welcome to attend.

### MASS INTENTION

Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> December

5.30 pm – Rosary  
Vigil Mass – First Mass of Sunday

6 pm – Anne Houghton RIP (C. Houghton)

Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> December

SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT (C)

9.30 am – People of the Parish

11.30 am – Wellesley Bourke RIP (Bourke Family)

Monday 9<sup>th</sup> December – **NO MASS**  
**Father's & Clare's Day Off**

Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> December  
Mass, Adoration & Benediction

6.30 pm – George Holloway RIP (P. & G. Sutherland-Moore)

Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> December

9.15 am – Alan Nickerson RIP, Anniversary  
(Rona, Emma & Family)

Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> December  
**MASS ONLY**

9.15 am – Neil McHugh RIP (F. & T. Rowberry)

Friday 13<sup>th</sup> December – St. Lucy, V, M  
**BROOMFIELD HOSPITAL MASS**

**12.15 pm – Intentions of Staff & Patients**

Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> December

5.30 pm – Rosary  
Vigil Mass – First Mass of Sunday

6 pm – East Family Intentions (M. & P. East)

Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> December

THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT (C)  
'Gaudete Sunday'

9.30 am – Deceased Members of the Kuttikadan & Pottanawyi Families (B. Anto)

11.30 am – People of the Parish

