

OUR LADY QUEEN OF PEACE

Parish News

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Saturday 18th December / Sunday 19th December 2021
FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT
(Expectant Mothers)



SICK PARISHIONERS: Please pray for all who are sick in our hospitals, our nursing homes and at home. For those who are anxious, bereaved or struggling in the Faith. May they experience the healing hands of Jesus through our prayerful actions and visits, including:

Gwen Rushton, Elvira Kitteridge, Kathy McBrierty, Mary Davis, Catherine Hughes, Val Harding, Kathleen Haigh, Mary Rooney, Megan Delaney, Isaac Barry, Peter Beard, Bernard Boylan, Chris Brodie, Barbara Mansell, Janet Cash, Mary Delaney, Frances Weaver, Rachel Stokes, Bob Bothello, Brenda Sewell, Fr Martin Nott, Peggy White, Mary Derriman, Eileen Brooks, Stella McKenna, Mona O'Rourke, John Martin, Marie Evenett, Terrance Evenett, Kate Friedlein, Gavin Leech and Agnes Hughes.

ANNIVERSARIES: Olive Harris, Maud McCarthy, Zdzislaw Duzniak, Alina Kordaszewska, Emilia Kordaszewska, Anita Peagram, Donald Butler, Mgr John Roche, Edit Moynihan, Shirley De Prazer, Bridget Llewelyn, Peter Wallace, Louis Dawson, Mieczyslaw Dzierza, Walter Petchy, Mary Bolton, Eleanor Firmen, Irene Fitzsimmons, Janet Williamson, Doris Abrams, Anne Warwick, Jim Ryan, Annie Geraghty, Nicola Berriman, Czeslaw Olechnowicz, Yadollah Jahanfar, Mary Yeulett, Eileen Buchanan, Isabella Ray, Anne McAuliffe, Marie Goodwin, Joseph Hill, Veronica Lynch, Kathleen Doran, Constance Minett, James Cattigan, Margaret Tozer, Erna Seneker, Stephanie McLaughlin, John Rogers, George Harris, Rosemary Culligan, Giovanni Castellazzi, Irene Crush, Bridget Forsyth, Daniel Honan, Richard Roarty, Stanislaw Sosler, Philip Hayes, Angela Elliott and Maureen Stevens. **May they all rest in peace.**

FRIDAY COFFEE MORNING AFTER MASS: A coffee morning is held after morning Mass each Friday. Everyone is welcome. Proceeds are for the Parish. We want to say a big thank you to Bernadette McNulty and team who organise the coffee mornings and hosted a raffle last week raising £211.50 for our Parish.

BAPTISMS: This coming weekend, we welcome **Frank Kai Glogowski** into the family of the Church. May God bless him and his family at this special time.

FLOWERS: If anyone would like to make a donation for **CHRISTMAS FLOWERS**, please put it in an envelope, marked "**CHRISTMAS FLOWERS**" and drop into the Parish office or collection plate. Thank you.

THANK YOU: We would like to say a big thank you to FareShare & Tesco Store in Braintree for their kind donation of bread each week.

CATHOLIC POST: The Catholic Post—a brand new monthly national Catholic newspaper have sent us 100 copies free of charge; please feel free to take one away with you.

BCCS Crib Donations: We are called to prepare for the coming of the Lord. We reflect on the messages of repentance and forgiveness that John the Baptist preached as he prepared the way for Jesus. During this week, we are asked to call on God to move us to action for he will answer if we do so. The pressures on young people have never been greater and the scale of the mental health issues is enormous. The Brentwood Catholic Children's Society works on the front line of dealing with this and we thank you for your support.

OUTDOOR CRIB: For the last few years, Jason Akehurst our Gardener and handyman has kindly erected the outside crib. As you will have seen in the newsletter, he is soon to be leaving us. Jason will erect the crib as usual, this year, it would be good however for some members of the parish to take responsibility for this in the future. If you think you might be able to help; please contact Clare in the parish office.

CHRISTMAS OFFERINGS ON CHRISTMAS EVE/DAY: This is your personal gift to Fr David. Gift Aiders, please use your second collection envelopes.

A BIG THANK YOU: We want to say a great big thank you to all our parishioners who have given so generously to the local foodbank this year. The organisers of the Foodbank are always overwhelmed with the response from our Parish.

CAFOD: CAFOD is combining efforts with the DEC to launch the Afghanistan Crisis Appeal. In Afghanistan, 8 million people are on the brink of famine because of drought, collapsing economy, food shortages, conflict, and COVID. CAFOD is supporting sister Caritas agencies to reach communities most in need with food, clean water, and fuel. During Advent, when we open ourselves to the needs of others, let's do all that we can to save lives. You can donate on the CAFOD website: cafod.org.uk/AfghanistanAppeal and please pray for the people of Afghanistan.

MASS TIMES OVER CHRISTMAS:



Christmas Eve

Friday 24th December

Confessions 10.30am to 11.30am

The First Mass of Christmas at 6.00pm

Night Mass of Christmas at 10.00pm

Christmas Day

Saturday 25th December

Mass at 9.00am

Mass at 11.00am

The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph

Sunday 26th December

Mass at 9.00am

Mass at 11.00am

RESPONSE TO THE PSALM

God of hosts, bring us back;
let your face shine on us and we shall be saved.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

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

PROFESSION OF FAITH

I believe in one God,
the Father almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all things visible and invisible.

I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ,
the Only Begotten Son of God,
born of the Father before all ages.
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father;
through him all things were made.
For us men and for our salvation
he came down from heaven,
and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary,
and became man.
For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate,
he suffered death and was buried,
and rose again on the third day
in accordance with the Scriptures.

He ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again in glory
to judge the living and the dead
and his kingdom will have no end.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,

who with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified,
who has spoken through the prophets.

I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church.
I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins
and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead
and the life of the world to come. Amen.

THE MYSTERY OF FAITH

**We proclaim your Death, O Lord,
and profess your Resurrection
until you come again.**



Advent word search



ANGEL
ANTICIPATION
CANDLES
EMMANUEL
FOUR
HOPE
JESUS

JOSEPH
JOY
LIGHT
LOVE
MARY
PEACE
PINK

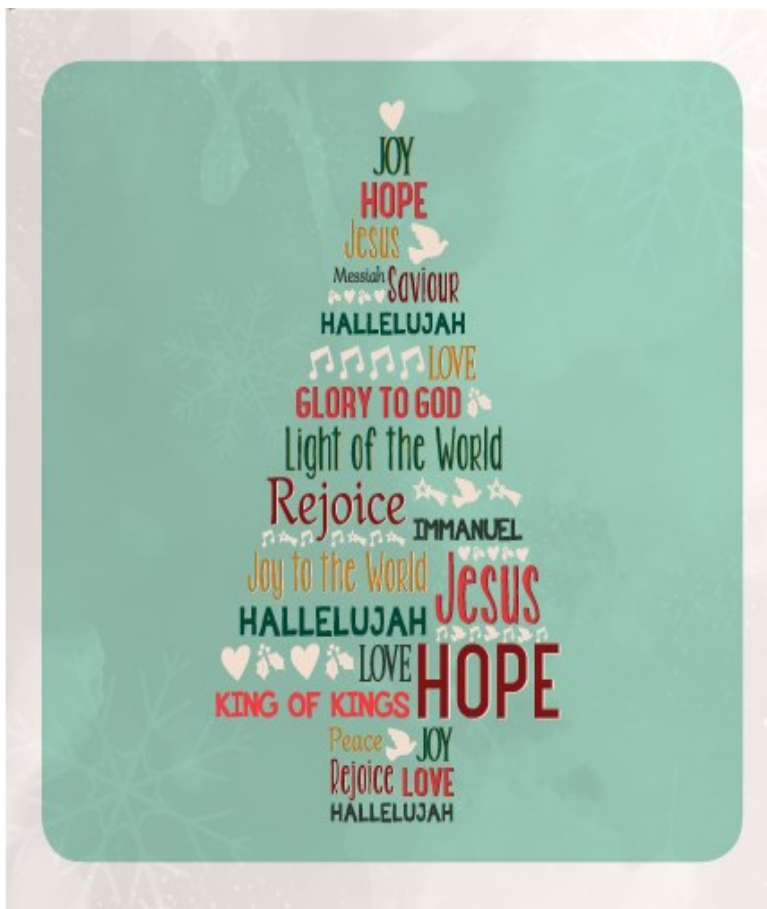
PREPARATION
PURPLE
REJOICE
SAVIOR
WAITING
WREATH



**“Dear children
We would love to showcase your Christmas pictures once again this year. Please let Clare have them in the Presbytery as soon as possible”.**

CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS SERVICE:

Sadly, after taking advice, the decision has been made to cancel the Children’s Christmas Service this year and instead have a Service at Easter.



LITURGY LIST THIS WEEK

Saturday 18th December Vigil Mass	6.00pm	Nora Carroll RIP (A) (Cunningham)
Sunday 19th December FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT © (Expectant Mothers)	9.00am	Mildred Brown RIP (A) (Leyden)
	11.00am	Ella & Bill Weston RIP (A) (Weston)
Monday 20th December	No Mass	
Tuesday 21st December	9.30am	Marion Simms RIP (Ann/Mark) & Ints Margaret Leyden (Josie)
Wednesday 22nd December	9.30am	Ints Sheila McKay (Doleman)
Thursday 23rd December	9.30am	Harold Rigdon & Kay Stephens RIP (Rigdon)
Friday 24th December THE NATIVITY OF THE LORD Night Mass of Christmas	6.00pm	Mark Digby RIP (Digby)
The First Mass of Christmas	10.00pm	Bill Weston RIP (Mary)
Saturday 25th December CHRISTMAS DAY	9.00am	Charlie & Gwenn Lindeman RIP (Milden)
	11.00am	Alan Doleman RIP (Doleman) & Mary Bridget Balbi & Michael Patrick Mahon RIP (McNulty)
Sunday 26th December THE HOLY FAMILY OF JESUS, MARY AND JOSEPH	9.00am	Raffaele Caparco RIP (Caparco)
	11.00am	Dee Hardy RIP (Caparco)