

Music at 11.30 am Solemn Mass

Today: Galuppi, B – Mass in C. Motet: Scarlatti – Ad te, Domine, levavi animam meam
Next Sunday: D'ambleville – Messe des Jesuites. Motet: Rheinberger – Rorate caeli desuper.

Music at Family Mass: There is now a button on the parish website which allows parishioners to listen to and practice the Sunday hymns ahead of time.

The Catholic Children's Society welcomes (new) Christmas gifts which they distribute to disadvantaged children: including young carers, children who have recently lost a loved one, and families fleeing domestic abuse. They expect a high level of need again this Christmas and would be very grateful for any new toys, books or clothing you can donate. If you would like to support their Christmas Gift Appeal, please deliver your gifts to the parish office by Friday 13th December.

Monthly Hour of Devotion on Saturday 7th of December at 2pm dedicated to The Immaculate Conception, followed by 30 minutes of Adoration to the Blessed Sacrament and Benediction. All are welcome

Advent Retreat Morning, Saturday 14th December. This is designed for all those who have a ministry in leading our worship – Eucharistic Ministers, Readers, Adult Choir Members and Servers, Stewards and Catechists. If you are one of these and have not received an invitation, please let us know.

Blessing of Bambinelli at 10.00 am Family Mass on Gaudete Sunday 15th December: We invite children to bring the figures of the Baby Jesus for their Christmas Cribs at home, so that they can be blessed before use.

Holy Trinity Carol Concert, given by our Family Mass Choir, directed by Laurence Carroll, is on Monday 16th December at 7.00 pm. Admission free – Retiring Collection for Glass Door, with whom we run our Parish winter weekly night shelter for homeless women. Mulled wine and mince pies in the Parish Centre.

St Mary's Catholic Primary School in our Parish is looking to recruit two Foundation Governors and would be pleased to hear from those who may be able to serve the cause of Catholic education in our Parish in this way

Preparation for the Sacrament of Baptism: If you have a child for **Baptism** under 5 years old please email us for an application form. A copy of one of the Catholic parents' baptism certificate will be required. Baptisms can only take place on Saturdays at 11am. **The next baptism preparation course is on 12th December.**

Please pray for the sick especially: Fr David Barnes, Martin and Shirley Foster, Breda Cleary, Mary Lavery and Francis Brady. **We commend to God those who died recently:** Carmen Delaney **and those with anniversaries around this time:** Patrick, Steven and Martin O'Flaherty.

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1st Sunday of Advent 1st December 2024

Today's Readings p. 167-170
Jer 33:14-16; Paul 3:12-4:2; Lk 21:25-28,34-36



Office Hours: Mon-Fri 10am-1pm and 2pm-4pm

Please note the change in our phone number: 020 7603 0814

Times of Mass and Devotions for the week beginning Sunday 1st December

Saturday <i>St Andrew</i>	9.30am Mass 6.00pm Mass followed by Confessions
Sunday 1st December 1 st Sunday of Advent, Yr C	8.30am Mass 10.00am Family Mass 11.30am Solemn Mass followed by Confessions 6.30pm Mass

Monday <i>Advent feria</i>	6.00pm Mass followed by Adoration and Benediction
Tuesday <i>St Francis Xavier</i>	6.00 pm Mass followed by Rosary
Wednesday <i>St John Damascene</i>	6.00pm Mass
Thursday <i>Advent feria</i>	9.00 am Mass followed by Rosary 7-8.30pm Youth 2000 Adoration
Friday <i>St Nicholas</i>	9.00 am Mass followed by Divine Mercy Prayers
Saturday <i>St Ambrose</i>	9.30am Requiem Mass 2.00pm Hour of Devotion 6.00pm Mass followed by Confessions
Sunday 8th December 2 nd Sunday of Advent	8.30am Mass 10.00am Family Mass 11.30am Solemn Mass followed by Confessions 6.30pm Mass

Today is the first day of the new Christian Year, which begins with this Season of Advent. The Advent wreath will be blessed at the Saturday evening Mass.

The Bible Readings at Mass in all Catholic Churches in our country are from today onwards proclaimed from a different and more accurate translation of the Bible from the original Hebrew and Greek languages – the English Standard Version instead of the Jerusalem Bible. This necessitates the use of new volumes of the Lectionary by the reader at the Ambo and a new Book of Gospels for the deacon or priest to proclaim the Gospel. We are grateful to the parishioners who have donated these volumes, some of them in memory of the departed. All these new volumes will be blessed at the 10.00 am Family Mass today.

Leaflets and Booklets to assist our parish Readers with reading from the new translation may be taken from the outer sacristy.

The Christmas Eve & Day Volunteer Reader Rota is in the outer sacristy, ready for Parish Readers to sign up.

Flowers are not used in church during Advent, apart from the Immaculate Conception on 9th December, and Gaudete Sunday on 14/15th December. We are very grateful for those who generously give flowers for the shrines in church each week, but apart from the dates above, please wait until Christmas to bring these again. Thank you!

Today's Bible Readings

The Old Testament reading The Lord announces through the prophet Jeremiah that he will cause a righteous branch to spring up from the root of David, who will cause justice and righteousness to be established in the land.

The psalm response echoes the entrance antiphon, the opening words of this new Christian year: 'To you, O Lord, I lift up my soul.'

The second reading St Paul asks that his converts increase in love for one another and for all, so that they may be blameless in holiness at the coming of our Lord Jesus with all his saints.

In the Gospel Jesus looks ahead to the end times when the world will be in crisis, Then people will see the Son of Man coming in power and great glory. He urges us to watch ourselves, so that we may not be weighed down by sins and the cares of life, but alert and ready to stand before the Son of Man.

This Weekend we welcome Father Patrick O'Beirne, who is coming to make an appeal at the Masses on behalf of the Missionary Society of St Columban, which has been the official mission appeal of the Westminster Diocese for 2024.

New CTS Sunday Missals (in red covers this year) are now in the porch stands ready for use by parishioners at Sunday Mass. They include the new Bible translation. If you would like to purchase a copy at £10, please enquire in the Parish Office.

Walk with Me – A Journey of Prayer for Advent 2024: this popular booklet with a Bible reading, prayer and reflection for every day, is now on sale at £1.

Welcome to children from Catechesis of the Good Shepherd, attending Mass at 6.00 pm on Tuesday 3rd December, when they will be singing and reading.

Feast of the Immaculate Conception of Our Lady is this year kept on Monday 9th December, (as its usual date of 8th is a Sunday.)

Mass on Wednesday 11th December will be at 9.00 am only. There will be no evening Mass, owing to a charity carol concert being held in the church.

Mass on Monday 16th December will be at 9.00 am instead of 6.00 pm, because of our Carol Concert.

Christmas Service and Confession Times leaflet available at back of the church.

Collection of Non-Perishable Foodstuffs for Hammersmith & Fulham Foodbank - please bring these with you to Mass and leave in church porch on the weekend of 15th/16th December only.

Prayer Workshop: on Thursday 9th January 25 at 2pm at Nazareth House. All welcome.