

Monthly One Hour Devotion will take place on Saturday 03 December at 2PM, for the intention and protection of priests worldwide.

Meetings for adults exploring the Catholic faith continue next week. If you feel drawn to the Catholic Church, would like to be confirmed as an adult or would like to know more please get in touch via srjenefer@rcdow.org.uk, the parish office, or speak to one of the priests. All welcome, baptised or not.

Preparation for the Sacrament of Baptism: If you have a child for **Baptism** under 5 years old please email us for an application form. You will be contacted once the form has been received. A copy of one of the Catholic parents' baptism certificate will be required. Baptisms can only take place on Saturdays at 11am.

Four Talks on the Prayers & Readings for the Sundays of Advent by Fr. John Deehan. Thursday evenings 7.30-8.30pm. For information email: annadupelycz@rcdow.org.uk

The Nativity Journey acted out at Wintershall 14th.-19th. December. www.wintershall.org.uk

Advent Week of Guided Prayer from the London Jesuit Centre:
<https://londonjesuitcentre.churchsuite.com/events/1fccxskw>

**Advent Bazaar TODAY Sunday 27th November
11am-1pm:**



cards, gifts and festive items, homemade cakes from the First Communion groups, Sr Jenefer's homemade marmalade, spectacular Christmas Hamper Raffle organized by the Confirmation candidates & their families. 1st Prize is an amazing hamper, 2nd prize a Nespresso coffee machine, 3rd prize a Serrano ham!

Silent Auction: Fr Rajiv will bake one of his fabulous loaves of bread for the highest bidder! Text your bid to 07999 506 232 or put your bid with your name and phone number into the parish office letterbox.



CAKES can be brought to the parish centre before 10.00am Mass.



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First Sunday of Advent 27th November 2022

Today's Readings p. 161-164
Is 2:1-5; Paul 13:11-14, Matt: 24:37-44



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

Mass and Devotions for the Week beginning Sunday 27th November

Saturday

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9.30 am Mass

6.00pm First Mass of Sunday

Sunday 27th November

First Sunday of Advent

8.30 am Mass

10.00 am Family Mass

11.30 am Solemn Mass followed by Confessions

6.30 pm Mass

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| Monday <i>Advent feria</i> | 6.00pm Mass followed by Adoration & Benediction until 7.00pm |
| Tuesday <i>Advent feria</i> | 6.00 pm Mass followed by Rosary |
| Wednesday <i>St Andrew, Apostle</i> | 6.00pm Mass |
| Thursday <i>Advent feria</i> | 9.00 am Mass followed by Rosary |
| Friday <i>Advent feria</i> | 9.00 am Mass followed by Divine Mercy Prayers |
| Saturday <i>St Francis Xavier</i> | 9.30 am Mass 6.00pm First Mass of Sunday |
| Sunday 4th December <i>Second Sunday of Advent</i> | 8.30 am Mass 10.00 am Family Mass 11.30 am Solemn Mass followed by Confessions 6.30 pm Mass |

Today we begin a new Christian year with the start of Advent. We await Christ's coming in glory to be our judge, we recognise his coming to us now in the sacraments, we prepare to celebrate his birth at Bethlehem. Today we light the first of the four candles of the Advent wreath, each marking one of this seasons four Sundays.

Today's Bible Readings: This year, ('A' of the three year cycle of Sunday readings,) the Gospel will usually come from St Matthew. In today's extract we hear Christ urging his disciples to stay awake in readiness for the coming of the Son of Man, which will happen when we do not expect it – like a thief in the night, or like Noah's flood. This reflects the Advent theme of judgement, to the fore on this first Sunday. St Paul compares it to the night coming to an end, which means that with the dawning of Christ's day we must give up sinful deeds of darkness. But there is also the Advent hope of Messiah's coming, which will bring peace and unity to the nations, over whom he will rule dwelling on Mount Zion.

New Sunday Missals, dated for all the Sundays from Advent 2022 until the end of November 2023 are put into use in church, to assist you in following the Order of Mass, and the variable prayers and Bible readings of each. If you would like to buy your own copy from us, at £9.95, please contact the parish office.

'**Walk with Me, A Journey of Prayer through Advent**' is a popular booklet helping us prepare for Christmas, giving us for each day a text a Bible reading, a reflection and a prayer. Now on sale at £1.

Next Sunday there will be a money collection (not clothes,) after the Masses for **Mary's Meals**, a charity providing more than 2 million children in some of the world's poorest communities with a nutritious meal every day they attend school!

The Christmas Services Leaflet, giving times for all Masses, confessions and devotions for the Christmas season, will be available next Sunday.

Special dates in Advent:

The Immaculate Conception of Our Lady, Thursday 8th December. Mass at 9.00 am and 6.00 pm

Blessing of Bambinelli (the figures of the Infant Jesus to place in your Christmas cribs at home, takes place on Gaudete Sunday, 11th December at 10.00 am family Mass

Parish Christmas Carol Concert given by our Family Mass Choir, is on **Tuesday 13th December at 7.30 pm**. Choir items – congregational carols – prayers and readings – Retiring collection for Aid to the Church in Need to support persecuted Christians – followed by mulled wine and mince pies.



Caritas Westminster celebrates its 10th anniversary this year: A short film has been made to celebrate what schools and parishes across the diocese have achieved. You can watch it via this link: <https://youtu.be/Vgxxvkd-8Ug>

Holy Trinity Cine Club: for children in Year 7 to Year 9 on a Friday evening and Year 10 to 12 on a Saturday evening once a month. Quality 'surprise' movie followed by discussion and pizza. All are welcome, suggested donation of £5 towards running costs. Contact cineclubbg@gmail.com.

Parents who wish to request a Certificate of Catholic Practice for **Catholic Primary School** can contact the parish office to request an information form which needs to be completed and returned before the day of an interview with one of the priests.

Please pray for the sick especially: Michel Gastrein, Noel Horgan, Sebastian Pereira, Oliver Hurrell, Billie Clinton, Fr Nigel, Aleyda Franco, James Downes, Jenny Majumdar, Susan Gent, Frances Brady, Leo Timmins, Peter Dewar, Mae Higgins, Linda Pick, Sue Pachoa, Eulalia Morales, Raymond Gibbs, Lyda Franco and Eddie Hughes. **We commend to God those who died recently: Alexander Aguilera and those with anniversaries around this time.**