



Third Sunday of Advent – Year B 12/13 December 20

Sun:	9.00am Mass (Alv)	Geoff Eden RIP
	11.00am Mass (Alv)	Harold & Eunice Roe RIP
Mon:	12 noon Mass (Alv)	Jack O'Kelly RIP
Wed:	11.30am Funeral Service at Trent Valley Crematorium	Brian Thomas Hanson RIP
		Maureen McNiffe RIP
Fri:	12 noon Mass (Alv)	
4th Sunday of Advent		
	9.00am Mass (Alv)	Tony Curley Int.
	11.00am Mass (Alv)	Josephine McHugh RIP

Money Matters:

Offertory: £950

For those who regularly contribute to the church via the Envelope Scheme there are a number of ways you may continue to do so: Drop the envelope to the Presbytery or put them aside each week for when the present crisis is over.

Another option would be to set up a Direct Debit or Standing Order – Lloyds Bank: sort code 30-92-59; account number 01620555 – English Martyrs, Derby RCP.

Payments to the parish by cheque should be made payable to:
English Martyrs Derby RCP

Sanctuary Lamp:
SVP:

Prayers for the Sick: Please always keep in your prayers the sick and housebound especially William Johnson, Simon Thompson, Lynda King, Christine and Michael Dreuit, Loretta Hewitt, all those suffering from COVID-19 and for all those on our sick list.

Please Pray for the repose of the soul of Mr Walenty Kubis RIP who died this week, and for all those who have died of Covid. Please remember their families in your prayers also.

APF/Missio: During these difficult times Mrs Ward and myself are unable to collect the Little Red Boxes. If you would like to leave your box at church/presbytery, I will collect it and return it along with the magazines and calendar for 2021. It would be useful for me to have your phone number and I will contact you to tell you when your box is ready for collection. Many thanks for our help and co-operation
Ann Curley 01332 792652

Dear Parishioners,

The church will be open half an hour prior to the scheduled start time.

You may reserve a place for Sunday Mass from 12 noon Friday until 12 noon Saturday by calling the parish number (01332574474) – leaving your name, telephone number, how many you will be, and which Mass you will be attending. Please be very clear when leaving your number as recently we have had a number of calls where the call-back number has been unintelligible!

At church you will be directed to your place by a Steward. As per Government Regulations, you are obliged to wear face coverings in the church, unless you are exempt, and to avail yourself of the hand sanitiser provided; and be mindful of social distancing regulations. You will be obliged to provide contact details which will be kept for 3 weeks.

Please note in advance: Communion will only be given on the hand by the Priest; all kneelers have been tied up – please avoid kneeling at any time; benches are numbered and marked up, for use/or not. No singing is permitted by the Government; there will be no sign of peace.

This is, of course, not how one would wish things to be, but we are bound by the Government Regulations and Restrictions. After each service the church will be thoroughly cleaned.

Please note that those who have any ailment, show any signs of cold/flu or Covid related symptoms, have underlying health issues, are shielding already or are in any doubt about being in the company of larger groups of people, should stay at home.

THERE IS STILL NO OBLIGATION UPON YOU TO ATTEND MASS!

God Bless Fr Brentnall

ACT OF SPIRITUAL COMMUNION:

My Jesus, I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament. I love You above all things, and I desire to receive You into my soul. Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally, come at least into my heart. I embrace You as if You were already there and unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You. Amen.

If you cannot attend daily Mass, you can use this prayer to express your faith in Christ and His Presence in the Eucharist, and ask Him to unite Himself with us.

SVP – Sudan & South Sudan Twinnage Appeal: Sudan has suffered a long history of conflict that has left behind a trail of destruction of unimaginable proportions together with untold human misery. The SVP provides baby feeding and pre-school meals in the displaced people's camps. Medical centres in the camps are staffed by volunteer doctors and nurses on their days off. They also work in the prisons where women often find themselves locked up together with their babies, and an SVP water tanker provides over 35,000 people a day with a reliable supply of fresh water. **Please, can you help** by donating whatever you can afford. You can donate on-line at <https://www.svp.org.uk/donate-now?project=Sudan%20and%20South%20Sudan%20Appeal>
Call us on **07593 384 429** to make your donation over the phone during office hours: Monday to Friday, 9.00am - 5.00pm, or
Post a cheque made out to SVP England and Wales to SVP, Romero House, 55 Westminster Bridge Road, London SE1 7JB
Thank you!

Christmas Nativity – Can You Knit?: As St Mary's has suffered such a great loss, we have decided to bring Advent into the homes of the children with a travelling Nativity. We have the patterns and can provide the wool. Even if you just knit a few of the Nativity items we would be very grateful.
Please follow the link to the knitting pattern for the Nativity – even if you can only knit a shepherd or a King I would be very grateful. This is my personal little project and any support is most welcome.

Fr Alan Burbridge – St George's Parish

<http://web.archive.org/web/20060827070129/http://www.ninemsn.com.au/article.aspx?id=26930>

CAFOD Advent 2020: This Advent, after a year full of fear and uncertainty we all need the peace, true comfort and joy of this season. We need the deep joy and peace that Christ offers us. Through it all, your compassion and solidarity have been so helpful and encouraging bringing practical support to those most in need. As we look to the light of Christ coming into the world, we are sharing with you some online prayers and resources for your Advent reflections at www.cafod.org.uk/advent-and-christmas. You will find online carol service resources, printable carol singing sheets and an adaptable Nativity Play script.

CAFOD World Gifts: A selection of gifts, including goats, pigs, fish, worms, bees, trees, emergency food etc. can be found at www.cafod.org.uk/worldgifts.

CAFOD also invites you to send a Christmas message to the brave. Eg: human rights defenders and environmental activists. Please see: www.cafod.org.uk/Campaign/Latest-campaigns/Messages-to-the-brave for more details.

CAFOD on-line Advent events for all:

CAFOD A Journey to the Manger – every Sunday from **29 Nov to 6 Jan** 6-6.30pm. Simple and peaceful prayer and reflection as we share our Advent Journey together.

Advent in the Diocese: The Diocese of Nottingham are inviting you to join others from across the diocese in preparing for and celebrating Christmas.

Praying with Our Lady through Advent: We invite you to pray one extra Hail Mary each day in Advent, asking for Our Lady's prayers to help us all as a diocese to open our hearts and minds to welcome Jesus afresh this Christmas. She was the first person to welcome Him into her life and her intercession can help us to draw closer to Him and feel His presence with us anew this Christmas. Every other day you will be able to watch people from our diocese pray the Hail Mary in different languages on our social media sites. Search for Diocese of Nottingham or Bishop Patrick McKinney on Twitter, Facebook and YouTube.

Living Advent Podcast: Living Advent is a weekly podcast series throughout Advent exploring the virtues of Hope, Love, Joy and Peace and how we can live them out. Find it on your usual podcast service by searching 'Living Advent Podcast' or visit www.dioceseofnottingham.uk/podcasts for links on how to stream or download it.

Diocesan Carol Service: This year we are offering a virtual diocesan carol service. We will celebrate a short online carol service on **Friday, 18 December at 6pm** on Bishop Patrick's YouTube Channel www.youtube.com/BishopPatrickMcKinney. Please join us as a family and invite others to join us too. Afterwards join us on zoom for our family Christmas Quiz (6.45-7.15pm) The link and access code will be given out during the service.

'Being a Disciple' Web Series: January is a time when we try and work at being a better person. Why not explore how we can grow as a disciple of Jesus? On the 4 Thursdays of January we will explore a different aspect of what it means to be a Catholic disciple with Brendan Thompson, the CEO of 'Catholic Voices' in a web series on Zoom. Register for the series at:

www.zoom.us/joining/register/tJMrcuygqjwpGdNBRC5NIQ46Eu1bleEg246A

CHRISTMAS SERVICES

24 Dec: 4.00pm & 8.00pm
12 Midnight (No Carols)

25 Dec: 9.00am & 11.00am

Forms are available at the back of Church to book your place
For those not attending Mass at the moment, please email
Anne Walsh on annew505@gmail.com with details

St John Fisher Catholic Voluntary Academy is a warm and welcoming school community. We strive to nurture each child to fulfil their full potential emotionally, socially and academically during their time at our school.

You can find out more information and see a virtual presentation and tour of the school on our school website:

www.stjohnfisher.derby.sch.uk

Churches Together in Chellaston: St Ralph Sherwin flower arranging team have joined the Premier League of teamwork in their most recent project. Their beautifully decorated window in St Peter's church Chellaston is a most reverent and tasteful depiction of the Nativity. Thank you Barbara, Colleen, Peter, Helen and Veronica.

Prayer of Protection:

Holy Michael the Archangel defend us in this day of battle. Be our safeguard against the wickedness and snares of the devil. May God rebuke him, we humbly pray; and do you, Prince of the heavenly host, by the power of God, cast into hell Satan and all evil spirits who wander through the world for the ruin of souls.

Amen