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FOURTH SUNDAY IN ADVENT YEAR A 18th December 2016

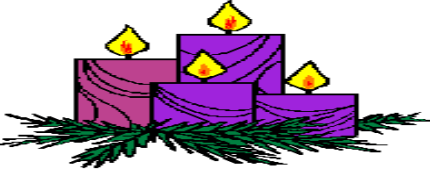

Dear Parishioners,

'God-is-with-us!' God sent His only Son on earth to be born of human stock. His name is Jesus and His mother's name is Mary. He is the Saviour of all the world, and through Him we are called to real holiness of life. (Pope Saint John Sunday Missal.)

The Baptismal Preparation Evenings for January will take place on Thursday 12th and Thursday 19th January at 8pm in the Presbytery. All are welcome.

A special appeal for readers and Special Ministers of Holy Communion- please complete the Rota placed in the Sacristy indicating your availability to exercise your ministry for the Christmas Masses. Father Dominic asks that you do this as a matter of urgency.

Thank you very much for your support of the Christmas Fayre. We are delighted to tell you that we have raised the sum of £2,391, which will be divided between CAFOD and AID TO THE CHURCH IN NEED. This fund-raiser comes at a very opportune time as CAFOD have written to us to ask for help for the people of Yemen. **The following winning numbers for the smaller raffle** may claim their prizes. Cloakroom Tickets No 61; No 224; No 229; No 134. Also several prizes from the main raffle have yet to be collected. Thank you also to those who took part in the Carols by Candlelight. £217 was raised for the Oxford Catholic Handicapped Fellowship. It was a very enjoyable evening. **Your presence would be welcome for our Carol Singing at Waitrose** on Saturday 17th December at 1pm.; and on Sunday 18th December at 12.30pm. **We have a second collection this weekend** for Father Hudson's Care. The Pastoral Letter of the Archbishop last weekend highlighted the scope of Father Hudson's work amongst the most vulnerable. **The display of photographs in Church** is taken from the various projects with which Father Hudson is involved. Do please take some time to have a look. For this weekend's second collection do please use the Gift Aid envelopes available in the benches. **This Tuesday evening, December 20th,** we have a Penance Service at 7pm. Please take this opportunity to prepare for the Feast of Christ's birth. There will be several Priests available to hear Confessions. The Service will include Hymns, Readings, a Public Examination of Conscience and Individual Confessions. Free car-parking in the lower level of the Dominion Car-Park is available. **Also on Monday** December 19th at St Thomas More in Sheldon, there will be a Penance Service at 7pm. Continued inside.

<p>17th December Saturday Advent Feria O SAPIENTIA (WISDOM)</p>	<p>Genesis 49:2,8-10 Matthew 1:1-17 9.00am Katie McGovern-RIP Isaiah 7:10-14 Romans 1:1-7 Matthew 1:18-24 12.30pm Elizabeth & John Morgan-RIP All People of the Parish</p>	<p>Confession/Exposition 11.00-12.00 Noon</p>
<p>18th December FOURTH SUNDAY IN ADVENT Day of Prayer for Expectant Mothers O ADONAI (Lord)</p> 	<p>Isaiah 7:10-14 Romans 1:1-7 Matthew 1:18-24 9.00am Winifred Richmond-92nd Birthday 11.00am Ita & Martin Flanagan-RIP</p>	<p>Tea/Coffee available after 9.00am and 11.00am Masses</p>
<p>19th December Monday Advent Feria O RADIX JESSE (ROOT OF JESSE)</p>	<p>Judges 13:2-7,24-25 Luke 1:5-25 9.35am The Rosary 10.00am Angela Whitehouse-RIP</p>	
<p>20th December Tuesday O CLAVIS DAVID (KEY OF DAVID)</p>	<p>Isaiah 7:10-14 Luke 1:26-28 9.35am The Rosary 10.00am Joe Cronin & Jim Kinard-RIP Margaret Philomena Simcox-RIP 7.00pm Penance Service</p>	<p>Legion of Mary 6.30pm</p>
<p>21st December Wednesday St Peter Canisius O ORIENS (DAYSPRING)</p>	<p>Song of Songs 2:8-1 OR Zephaniah 13:14-18 Luke 1:39-45 9.35am The Rosary 10.00am Thomas Grant-RIP 6.30pm Maggie Sutton-RIP</p>	
<p>22nd December Thursday Advent Feria O REX GENTIUM (KING OF NATIONS)</p>	<p>1 Samuel 1:24-28 Luke 1:46-56 9.35am The Rosary 10.00am Daniel Brosnan- 12.30pm Patrick Murphy-RIP</p>	<p>Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament after 10.00am Mass Until 12.30pm</p>
<p>23rd December Friday Advent Feria St John of Kanty O EMMANUEL (GOD-WITH-US)</p>	<p>Malachi 3:1-4,23-24 Luke 1:57-66 9.35am The Rosary 10.00am Zygfyrd & Wanda Cettler-RIP 6.30pm Margaret & Owen Deneny-RIP</p>	<p>Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament after 10am Mass Until 12.30pm Holy Hour 5.15pm-6.15pm Followed by Mass at 6.30pm</p>
<p>24th December Saturday CHRISTMAS EVE</p> 	<p>Isaiah 9:1-7 Titus 2:11-14 Luke 2:1-14 12.30pm Deceased Members of the Reynolds Family All People of the Parish 4.00pm Thomas, Catherine, Frances, Anne Kelly- RIP Roger & Helena Oldfield-RIP 8.00pm Carols & Readings 8.30pm Margaretta</p>	<p>Confession/Exposition 11.00- 12.00 Noon</p>
<p>25th December THE NATIVITY OF THE LORD</p>	<p>Isaiah 52:7-10 Hebrews 1:1-6 John 1:1-18 9.00am Ellen Shinton- RIP 11.00am John Dodman-RIP Charles Cassidy-Intention</p>	

Offertory Collection last week: £1,162:49 (Gift Aid £358:50 Loose £803:9)

Collection this week end: Father Hudson's Care. Father Hudson's is the social care agency of the Archdiocese, reaching out to support vulnerable people young and old.-

Continuation of Newsletter-We are please to inform you that a replacement for our School Caretaker, Mr Johnson, has been appointed. The Mass of Thanksgiving for Mr Johnson in School was a very blessed moment. Please continue to keep him in your prayers. Another edition of the Parish Magazine is now available this weekend- priced £1. Thanks to our editor, Gerard Burgess for all his work. **Please note there will be a 6.30pm Mass next Wednesday evening.**

A 'Prayer Request' box can now be found in each entrance porch. You are welcome to place the names of those you would like prayers for, or any prayer intention you may have in the box as provided. Your intentions will be transferred to the Sanctuary on a weekly basis, and prayers will be offered for all those mentioned.

St. Augustine's Catholic Primary School is looking for Teachers who would be available for Supply. If you are interested please contact the Head teacher Mrs Willmott on 0121 705 4355.

TAIZE EVENING OF PRAYER- Birmingham Children's Hospital; Sunday 18th December 6.pm

CAROL SINGING HEARTLANDS HOSPITAL, Carol Singing around the Wards, Heartlands Hospital –Monday 19th December, meeting in Cafe One, the restaurant by the main entrance to the Hospital by 6.30pm.

SVP CHRISTMAS APPEAL FOR HOMELESS-We need socks and any decent quality boots. Plus men's underwear in sizes small and medium(32"-34"pants)

Readers this week	Eucharistic Ministers this week
Sunday	Sunday
9am Anthony Killeen	9.00am Richard Bird & Ken Bolton
11am Chris Hodrien	11.00am Tessy Nettikkadan
Christmas Eve	Christmas Eve
12.30pm Kate McNamara	12.30pm
4.00pm Anthony Killeen	4.00pm
8.00pm Madeleine Coburn, Michael Keating, Gerry Coburn	8.30pm Madeleine & Angela Keating
8.30pm Sarah Pitchford	
Christmas Day	Christmas Day
9.00am	9.00am
11.00am H.Cettler	11.00am Annette Kelly Eilish Duffy
Cleaning Rota: for week beginning December 19th for Services December 24th/25th –G Tracey Dunleavy, Dasan and Tessie Nettikkadan	
Flower Rota: – for week beginning 19th December for Services 24th/25th December-Chris Docker	

Please remember in your prayers the sick of the Parish

Jayne Hemming	Brian Jones	Anne White	Joseph Lockington
Peter Griffin	Clare Farmer	James Farmer	Kathleen McLoughlin
Martha Sheridan	Katie Kelly	Patricia Jones	Eilish Duffy
Mick Green	Andrew Simpson	Bernadette Day	Anthony Sadler
Christopher Browne	Kate McAvinney	Sarah Maloney	John Balder
Ann Marie Boyd	Kathy Stead	Amando Tenorio	Heath Balder
Maureen McLoughlin	Louisa and Nick	Margaret Kelly	Teresa Farrelley
Angela D'Arcy	Joseph Farmer	Peggy Roper	Therese Coulton
Baby Lily Day	Rose Walsh	Aidan, Patrick and Michael O'Donnell	Norman Hart
Martine and Rita McDonnell	Raymond Shenstone	Cornelius Callanan	Doreen Shirley
Sally & Maddy	John Keaney	Glen Hughes	Finbarr Herron
Michael Cassidy	Susanna Gordon	Mark Andrew Sutton	David Nunan
Dean	Elisabeth Scull	Norman Eaglesfield	Rita Jones
Baby Lara Constantinou			

SPECIAL DAY OF PRAYER FOR EXPECTANT MOTHERS SUNDAY 18th DECEMBER

All loving God,
you created the human family
as a reflection of your own divine life
so that your [creation](#) might share in your happiness.

Hear our [prayer](#) for your daughter
who awaits the birth of her child.
She has cooperated with you in giving life.
Assist her now as she prepares to give birth
to the child in her womb.

May [Mary](#) be her guide and support,
calming her fears and strengthening her love.

May your daughter be filled with your peace and blessing
so that she may bring her child into this world
safely and in [good](#) health to the praise and
glory of your name.

Amen.



Please pray for: Ray Nicholson who died recently. (Requiem 9th January 10am; Reception 8th January 5pm) And Jennifer Gulliver who also died recently. Also Ellen Dickinson, Patrick Brennan, Patrick Thomas Kelly, Elizabeth Morgan, Damien Peter Crow, Dymphna McDermott, Ronald William Manton, Mary Bernadette Theresa Turner, Kathleen Ewart, Joan Handley, Baby Eve Fox whose anniversaries are at this time.

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