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TIMES OF MASSES AND OTHER SERVICES: **Week Commencing 16th December 2018**

Third Sunday of Advent - Gaudete Sunday: Year C

THIRD WEEK OF ADVENT: 16th – 22nd December 2018 (Weekday Cycle Year 1 / Psalter Week III)

Saturday 15th December: <u>Advent Feria</u>	<i>PARISH FINANCES</i>
10:00 am: Mass; Trevor Jones RIP 10:45 am: Confessions	
Saturday 15th December: <u>Third Sunday of Advent: Year C</u>	<i>8th / 9th December 2018</i>
5:00 pm: Confessions 5:30 pm: Mass; Ivy Sheridan RIP (Taylor)	Envelopes: Loose Plate: Standing Orders:
Sunday 16th December: <u>Third Sunday of Advent: Year C</u>	TOTAL:
9:00 am: Mass; Intentions of Anne James (Whitham) 4:00 pm: Evening Prayer of the Church & Benediction	Chad: Intercare: SVP:
Monday 17th December: <u>Advent Feria</u>	<i>Thank you for your continued generosity and support of our Parish.</i>
9:00 am: Mass; Intentions of Bob & Anne Solloway (SVP)	
Tuesday 18th December: <u>Advent Feria</u>	<i>Evening Prayer of the Church from the Divine Office concluding with Benediction, During the Sundays of Advent. Leaflets will be provided. All welcome.</i>
12:30 pm: Confessions 1:00 pm: Mass; Pro Populo: People of the Parish	
Wednesday 19th December: <u>Advent Feria</u>	<i>Your Prayers are requested for those who are sick:</i>
9:00 pm: Service of the Word and Holy Communion	
Thursday 20th December: <u>Advent Feria</u>	Isobel Alana Barnes, Gerhard Barwitzki, Marica Borsos, Margaret Brown, Fr John Cairns, Pat Constable, Francesca Lina Craparotta, Jim & Margaret Dougan, Fr Theodore Gomes, Ann Harrison, Breeda Keaney, Emilia Nowicki, Elizabeth Reilly, Alan Roberts, Maria Sawicki, Simpson Family, Bob Solloway, Evelyn Venning, Jenny Weran and Louise Whitham.
9:00 am: Mass; Bernadette Retallick RIP (Breame) 1:15pm: Funeral Service; (John) Aidan Withall RIP	
Friday 21st December: <u>Advent Feria</u>	
12:30 pm: Confessions 1:00 pm: Mass; Edward & Anne Corrigan RIP (Anniversary)	
Saturday 22nd December: <u>Advent Feria</u>	
10:00 am: Mass Holy Souls 10:45 am: Confessions	
Saturday 22nd December: <u>Fourth Sunday of Advent: Year C</u>	
5:00 pm: Confessions 5:30 pm: Mass; Welfare of Susan (Williams)	
Sunday 23rd December: <u>Fourth Sunday of Advent: Year C</u>	
9:00 am: Mass; Mrs Kenny RIP (Nina) 4:00 pm: Evening Prayer of the Church & Benediction	

SECOND COLLECTION THIS SUNDAY FOR THE POOR & NEEDY PARISHES OF OUR DIOCESE.

SECOND COLLECTION NEXT SUNDAY FOR THE CHRISTMAS FLOWERS.

ROTAS:	5.30 pm	9.00 am
Welcomers:		K Orford – Perkins & M Neale
Next Week:		D Wilson & M Roy
Readers:	P Hubberstey	S Yarwood
Next Week:	M Sully	C Hallam
Offertory:	M & A Simmons	M Castor & Volunteer
Next Week:	J Brennan & J Fox	J Powell & M Calladine
Coffee:	V Loffreda & J Backhouse	Next Week: M Calladine & J Powell
Cashiers:	J Walton	Next Week: A Simmons
Flowers:	NO FLOWERS IN ADVENT	Next Week: NO FLOWERS IN ADVENT
Cleaning:	Team Agius	Next Week: Team Begley
Brasses:	M Castor	Next Week: K Bennett

REQUIESCAT IN PACE: Please remember in your prayers to pray for the repose of the soul of (*John Aidan Withall RIP*, who died on *4th December 2018*. John's Funeral Service will take place on *Thursday 20th December 2018 at 1:15 pm* followed by Cremation at Bramcote Crematorium. We remember him and his family at this sad time. May he rest in peace.

POOR CLARES: The Sisters send their sincere thanks for all the support they receive from our Parish. The Sisters from Wales have finally joined the community at Bulwell and Mother Mercy, Sister Clare and one of the Sisters from Wales have left the Bulwell convent and have travelled to Kenya to set up a new House. The next visit will be either *23rd or 24th December 2018*, a little earlier than usual but this is so the Sisters will have our gifts and donations in time for Christmas – *Diane Wilson*.

FAIR TRADE: many thanks to everyone who supported the Fair Trade Sale last weekend – details are on the Fair Trade notice board at the back of the Church. We are continuing to support Mary's Meals with any profits made from the sale of Fair Trade goods and this year £ 186.00 has been sent to Mary's Meals to help feed Third World Schoolchildren. The next Fair Trade sale will be the weekend of *2nd / 3rd February 2019*.

MISSIO / MILL HILL RED BOXES: If you have got a Red Box please will you bring it in for emptying. The end of December is the end of the MISSIO financial year and all donations for 2018 need to be banked before Christmas. Boxes can either be left in the Sacristy or given to me. There are still some MISSIO 2019 calendars left in the porch please feel free to take one. Many thanks *Diane Wilson* – Parish MISSIO secretary.

CHRISTMAS FLOWERS: There will be a meeting in the Church Hall on Monday 17th December 2018 at 10:00 am to discuss the Christmas flowers. We are getting a bit thin on the ground now so if anyone feels able to help in any way on Christmas Eve morning that would be great even if only for a short time. Also if anyone can help by supplying any variegated holly or ivy that too would be good and if you can deliver to Church better still. If it needs collecting please ring Margaret on 0115 922 9411 or 07885217795. Thank You.

CHRISTMAS EVE VIGIL MASS: If any musicians, young or old, are interested in playing the Christmas Carols at the beginning of the Christmas Eve Mass. Then could they contact me on 0115 922 6245 or e – mail mickwalley@icloud.com

FROM THE HANDMAIDS OF THE SACRED HEART: May the joy and Blessings of Christmas stay with you all through the year. Many thanks to all those who have donated Postage Stamps. – *Carol Hallam*

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION: We will begin our Parish preparations for First Holy Communion in January 2019. Could the parents of any children in the Parish who are in School Year 3 and above and who have not made their First Holy Communion please speak to me as soon as possible about enrolling in the preparation Classes.

CHRISTMAS TREE: The Christmas Tree has now been put up in Church in its usual place near the Lady Chapel. It has been suggested that this year, in the spirit of the Christmas Tradition, that we try to put some presents under the tree, remembering in particular those for whom Christmas is not going to be such a joyful time. It is hoped therefore that these presents would be particularly useful to the needy and homeless and we can pass them on to the charities responsible. If we could make an appeal then, for things such as hats, gloves, scarves, socks, toiletries, soap, toothbrushes, toothpaste, disposable razors, hygienic wipes, combs and deodorant. These items can then be distributed to our local charities: The Canaan Trust and Emmanuel House.

<i>Times of Masses and Services for Christmas</i>	
Saturday 22nd December:	<i>Fourth Sunday of Advent Year C</i>
Vigil Mass for Sunday:	<i>5:30 pm; Welfare of Susan (Williams)</i>
Sunday 23rd December:	<i>Fourth Sunday of Advent Year C</i>
Sunday Mass:	<i>9:00 am: Mrs Kenny RIP (Nina)</i>
Monday 24th December:	<i>The Nativity of the Lord (Solemnity)</i>
Morning Mass:	<i>9:00 am; Winifred Lally RIP</i>
Carols before Mass:	<i>4:00 pm</i>
Vigil Mass for Christmas:	<i>4:30 pm</i>
Monday 25th December:	<i>The Nativity of the Lord (Solemnity)</i>
Carols before Mass:	<i>11:30 pm</i>
Midnight Mass for Christmas:	<i>Midnight</i>
Christmas Morning Mass:	<i>9:30 am</i>

SENIOR CITIZENS CHRISTMAS

LUNCH CLUB: THIS Thursday, 20th December 2018, at 1:00 pm in the Parish Hall. Tickets available from Stella on 0115 925 5140.

Items for the newsletter can be given to Fr Christopher or e – mailed to frcathomas@live.com by Thursday of each week for inclusion in the next issue.