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Fr Bartłomiej Dudek (Parish Priest)

PARISH DIARY AND MASS INTENTIONS

Parish activities are in *italic*Masses are held at the remaining times

Sun 3 December - First Sunday of Advent

08.30 Deceased relatives of Anne Finnegan

10.00 Sylvia Francis-Mullins – birthday intentions

11.15 Parish tea and coffee in JPC

12.00 Bridie Kelly RIP

15.00 Advent Carol Service

17.30 People of the parish

Mon 4 December (St John Damascene)

09.30 Katie and Edward O'Sullivan RIP and all the family

09.30 Baby & Toddler Group. Book via parish email

14.00 John Paul Centre Association in JPC

Tue 5 December (St John Almond)

09.30 Ann-Thi-Thiet, Grandad and Grandmother RIP

12.00 Funeral Mass for Michael Collins RIP

www.funeralstreaming.co.uk/viewing-room/38180

Wed 6 December (St Nicholas)

09.30 Oliver Vernon RIP

19.00 Adoration and Confession

Advent and Christmas 2023: the schedule for this year is at the back of the church and on the parish website. Our Advent Carol Service is this Sunday 3 December starting at 15.00. Then we will host a Christmas Carol Service on Sunday 17 December at 15.00. We welcome all parishioners to come to the JPC after the Christmas service and are looking for volunteers to help with this. Please speak to Fr Bart or contact the parish office on the above email if you can help.

Confirmation 2024: Enrolment for young parishioners to the 2024 Confirmation Programme will commence in January. Please keep an eye on the Parish weekly Newsletter for further announcements as to deadlines for enrolment.

Lightfever: we would like invite you and your friends and families to join a new initiative to an open prayer evening in our church. The prayer will be based on the worship songs and Bible reflections. Our doors will be open to all: parishioners and passers-by, whatever their backgrounds. We plan to hold our Advent session on Friday 15 December from 19.00.

Fr Joseph Gulliford (Assistant Priest)

Thu 7 December (St Ambrose)

09.30 Departed members of Reid, Levy and Wedderburn families

19.30 Thanksgiving and blessing for Diane Sequeira

Fri 8 December – Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary

09.30 Departed commended to God by Frances Evans

19.30 Caroline Keenaghan RIP

Sat 9 December (St Juan Diego Cuauhtlatoatzin))

08.30 Adoration and Confession

09.30 Departed members of Ihewatudha family and others

17.00 Confession

17.30 Jammie Donnelly RIP

Sun 10 December - Second Sunday of Advent

08.30 Patricia Doran RIP

10.00 Departed commended to God by Michael and Hannah O'Sullivan

11.15 Parish tea and coffee in JPC

12.00 Mrs Josephine Iyovwaye RIP

17.30 People of the parish

Parents prayer: As we await the coming of Jesus in the Nativity we would like to invite the parents to prayer. The prayer evening, just for mothers and fathers without children present, will be hosted in John Paul Centre on Wednesday 13 December, starting from 19.00 with tea and coffee, and then at 19.30 the prayer time will start, followed by a conversation. This is the first of the meetings of this kind, which we plan to organise in the future. All parents are welcome. Fr Bart

Manna Centre: we are collecting for the Manna Centre until the 10 December as part of their collection for homeless people and those in need. Please leave your kind donations at the back of the church in the boxes provided. Please note the most needed items are: sugar, tinned foods, pasta, rice, sauces, baked beans, tinned meats, coffee, dilutable drinks, men's clothing, toiletries, toilet rolls, sleeping bags and rucksacks.

Raffle tickets for Ukraine: we will be selling raffle tickets weekend of 9/10 December to raise monies for the winter hardships in the Ukraine. Winning tickets will be drawn after the Christmas Carol Service on 17 December.

Please support us where possible. Please donate online through our yellow donate button at the bottom of our website (by card or paypal). There is also an option to set up a monthly standing order. Alternatively, our bank details are St Thomas More Church, NatWest, account 44136757, sort code 60-23-19 or we have contactless card/phone readers in the church.