

SANCTUARY LAMPS

This week's dedication is for April Howe (RIP)

Mass Intentions for 2nd December to 9th December 2018

This SUNDAY 2nd December	5.30 pm (Sat)	Dudley Quinn & Francis Fernandes (RIP)
1st Sunday of Advent	10.00 am	Ann Ticehurst
	6.00 pm	William Gerrard (RIP)
Monday 3rd December	9.45 am	Morning Prayer
St. Francis Xavier	10.00 am	Martin Doherty (RIP)
Tuesday 4th December	9.45 am	Morning Prayer
	10.00 am	Peter & Sheila Barker (RIP)
Wednesday 5th December	9.45 am	Morning Prayer
	10.00 am	Delia Boner (RIP)
Thursday 6th December	NO MASS HERE TODAY (Sacred Heart, Ruislip - 10.00 am)	
Friday 7th December	9.45 am	Morning Prayer
St. Ambrose	10.00 am	Paddy Whooley (RIP)
	6.00 pm	1st Reconciliation Service
Saturday 8th December	9.45 am	Morning Prayer
	10.00 am	Sr. Gretta (In Sickness)
	10.30-11.00am	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
NEXT WEEKEND		
9th December 2018	5.30 pm (Sat)	Robert Lee (RIP)
2nd Sunday of Advent	10.00 am	Anne O'Sullivan (RIP)
	6.00 pm	Deceased Members of the Scott & Fitzgerald Families (RIP)

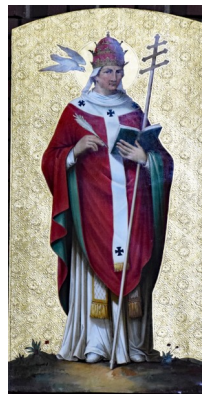
Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession) Saturdays after morning & evening Mass.

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK AND HOUSEBOUND:- Tony Johnson, Liam Warren, Micah McKennon, Mary Temple, Nicola Teune, Michael Clough, Denise Busby, Sylvia Bryant, Bridget Finch, Angie Webster, Michael Mangan, Mary Wallace, Kevin Ryan, Theresa Brent, Anne-Marie Henry, Barbara Hayes, James & Sid West, Tom Hennessy, Breda O'Sullivan, Nora Demello, Ron Crann, John McEvoy, Donna White, Dympna McDermott, Peggy McNicholas, Josie Ballard, Bruno Bragoli, Renelle Nedd, Gillian Burke, Sharon Batchelor, Keith Murray, Peter Harford, Maurice Hickmott, Mary Xavier.

(Please tell us when people can be taken off this list).

PLEASE PRAY FOR THOSE WHO HAVE DIED RECENTLY AND THOSE WHOSE ANNIVERSARY OCCURS ABOUT THIS TIME, WE ALSO REMEMBER AT THIS TIME:-

April Howe, Dudley Quinn, Francis Fernandes, Ann Ticehurst, William Gerrard, Martin Doherty, Peter & Sheila Barker, Delia Boner, Paddy Whooley.



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2nd December 2018

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Fr Paul writes:

The Season of ADVENT

We begin today the start of the Church's Year with the great and important Season of Advent. While all around us in the shops and on our streets it's Christmas we Christians are saying "No it's not Christmas, it's Advent!!" In our homes and families, the way we mark Advent can help to balance what is often an especially hectic time of social gatherings and shopping. Advent gives us reason to pause, reflect and hear the story of God's love afresh through the lens of our lives at home, in our workplace, cities and world as well as at our parish through the celebration of the Mass and Sacraments.

A special way to celebrate at home (as in the church) could be with an Advent wreath, often a simple circle of greenery and four candles (they don't have to be different colours—four white ones will do!) Especially in families the wreath can be a focus for prayer. You might like to centre your prayer on the themes that are reflected in the readings at Mass each week. Week One is HOPE; week two LOVE, week three JOY and week four PEACE.

To help you keep in touch with the Mass Readings for each day and to encourage you to come to Mass if you can, do invest in a copy of MY DAY BY DAY which costs just £1.

Diocesan Jobs Please visit our website at <https://rcdow.org.uk/diocese/jobs/> where you can view all current vacancies.

Cafod World Gift Catalogue

Please take home a CAFOD World Gift Catalogue after Mass. Stuck for a Christmas present? CAFOD World Gifts offers a great alternative for friends or family who don't need anything, but might appreciate a gift which helps poor communities to access services like basic healthcare, clean water, and education. CAFOD provides you with a certificate detailing a gift that has been given to a community overseas on your behalf.

PARISH NEWS

Nursery Admission September 2019 - St Swithun Wells' School

Applications need to be handed back to the school office no later than noon Monday 4th March 2019.

Advent

In previous years we have made three different appeals addressing ways in which we can help others celebrate Christmas. In view of the fact that in the past few weeks there have been various appeals, we have felt that it will be better if we concentrate this Advent season on ONE appeal for P3 (the hostel where young disadvantaged people from our borough are given support and help in getting jobs and accommodation). This appeal will take place on the weekend of 15th/16th December.

Weddings

Couples wishing to marry here or in any Catholic Church need to give at least six months' notice of their intentions.

Red Sanctuary Lamps

If you would like to have these dedicated for a week to the memory of a loved one, please contact Gillian in the parish office. There is a suggested donation of £10 and the name will appear on the newsletter for the specific week.

COLLECTION 25/11/2018

Envelopes	£ 614.24
Loose Plate	£ 308.96
Standing Orders	£ 981.00
Total	£1904.20

Parish Registration

If you have recently joined the parish or not completed a Registration Card in the last two years please do so and return it to the presbytery. These cards are available in the porch or from the Parish Office. Our records are referred to for applications for sacramental preparation and school application forms.

PARISH NOTICES

SVP News

It was really wonderful to meet our next generation of SVP Volunteers last week at St Swithun Wells - the Mini-Vinnies team there is a really strong group of Years 4, 5 and 6 students, all lead by a wonderful teacher. Our vision of the Mini-Vinnies becoming an integral part of the overall St Gregory's SVP Team is coming to fruition beautifully. The Mini-Vinnies, and their lead teacher, are hoping to contribute practically by performing a Christmas Carol Service, and passing out school-made Christmas Cards, at Brackenbridge Care Home, the Care Home that we began to visit on a regular basis in 2018. The residents are in for a great treat!! More joint efforts between the Mini-Vinnies and the 'grown ups' SVP Team are planned for 2019, God willing. Finally, as always, if you know of anyone in need of the SVP's help, then please contact Gillian Harrington or Paul O'Regan - Mob 07563 775 777 - info@svpsouthruislip.org.uk and we will do our best to help. God Bless. .

CONFIRMATION 2019

If you are in Year 9 or above, you are invited to write to Fr. Paul, briefly explaining your reasons for wishing to be confirmed. Your letter should also include your name, address, telephone number and an email address. All letters of application must be in the Presbytery by **Saturday 15th December at the latest**.

Baptism Preparation

Tuesday 11th December at 8pm in the Church hall. Please telephone Gillian at the Presbytery as these meetings are by appointment only.

THIS WEEK

Sunday 2nd December

5.30 pm (Sat.Vigil) Children's Liturgy
10.00 am Children's Liturgy

Monday 3rd December

1.30 pm Monday Club
8.00 pm SVP Monthly Meeting

Wednesday 5th December

1.30 pm Knitting / Crochet

Friday 7th December

6.00 pm 1st Reconciliations

Saturday 8th December

8.30 am Church Cleaning
9.00 am Walk With Me - Hall
12-2pm Foodbank



LOOKING AHEAD

Sunday 9th December

5.30 pm (Sat.Vigil) Children's Liturgy
10.00 am Children's Liturgy

Monday 10th December

1.30 pm Monday Club

Tuesday 11th December

8.00 pm Baptism Preparation

Wednesday 12th December

1.30 pm Knitting / Crochet

Friday 14th December

6.00 pm 1st Reconciliations

Saturday 15th December

8.30 am Church Cleaning
12-2pm Foodbank