

1st Week of Advent

Sunday 2nd December 2018

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The Cathedral is open daily from 0730-1930

Intention

Sunday 2nd December 1 st Sunday of Advent	0900 · Mass 1100 · Solemn Mass 1500 · Latin Mass (1962 Missal) 1600 · Advent Carol Service 1730 · Mass [in the Cathedral]	Pro Populo Denise Grey Holy Souls
Monday 3rd December St Francis Xavier P Mem.	0940 · Morning Prayer 1000 · Mass 1200 · Requiem Mass	Charlotte Austin Gillian Gregory
Tuesday 4th December Advent Feria	0940 · Morning Prayer 1000 · Mass 1830 · Sung Vespers 1900 · Sung Mass & Adoration	Duff Family Pat Scrutton
Wednesday 5th December Advent Feria	0940 · Morning Prayer 1000 · Mass	Maurice & Cicilia Castelino
Thursday 6th December Advent Feria	0940 · Morning Prayer 1000 · Mass	Eileen Richardson
Friday 7th December S Ambrose B Mem	0940 · Morning Prayer 1000 · Mass	Rosely Lazar
Saturday 8th December The Immaculate Conception of the BVM. Solemnity.W	1000 · Mass 1030 · Adoration and Benediction 1600 · Mass in Polish 1800 · Mass	Henry, Duke of Norfolk Tony & Valerie
Sunday 9th December 2 nd Sunday of Advent	0900 · Mass 1100 · Solemn Mass 1730 · Mass [in the Cathedral]	Denise Grey Pro Populo Elizabeth Page

Confessions: Tuesday 1930-2000 · Saturday 1030-1100 · 1530-1630 · 1900
The Rosary is prayed in the Walsingham Chapel after the 1000 Mass Monday-Friday

Prayers for the sick: Fr John Warrington, Peter Warrington, Liam McKenna, Philippa Barnes, Anthony Preston, Nancy Horner, Diane Downing, Joan Marshall, Wood Family, Eleanor Bray, Lily Reid, Francesco Bagnoli, Joe Heaney, Andrea Cope, Ron Utting, Nina Strivens and Mary Ward. Under the new data protection law (GDPR) we need 'explicit consent' in order to print in the newsletter the names of those sick parishioners from whom we are praying. If you would like your name or that of a relative added to the list, please take a form from the back of the church. Please be aware that if it is for a relative he or she must give consent themselves

Last Week's Collection £2,653.84 Thank you
Last week's 2nd Collection for the Diocesan Youth Service £243.85. Thank you

1st Sunday of Advent

ADVENT begins this weekend – our time of preparation for the coming of the Saviour. To mark the nature of this Season the liturgical colour is purple, the altars are not decorated with flowers, and the Gloria is not used at Mass. The Advent Wreath reminds us of the significance of the season and the first candle is lit in honour of Isaiah and the prophets.

Advent Carol Service – today at 4.00pm – a lovely way to begin our Advent preparation with the Scripture Readings and Advent Carols.

St Mark's Lakenham – the Mass of Sunday evening will now be celebrated in the Cathedral at 5.30pm. Starting with the First Sunday of Advent.

Fr Seelan has been appointed as Parish Priest of Sacred Heart & St Oswald in Peterborough, and will be leaving the Cathedral after Christmas to take up his new post. Please remember Fr Seelan and his family in your prayers. His mother, Rani, is ill and Fr Seelan has gone to India for some weeks to be with her.

Mission Appeal – we welcome today Br Andrew Ferris to make the Appeal for the **Sacred Heart Fathers**

POSADA – The tradition of passing the statue of Joseph, Mary & the donkey from house to house is back for Advent this year. Families are invited to sign up to welcome the Posada into their homes, starting on 2nd December 2018, & open their homes for an evening of prayer & fellowship. Please sign up on the list at the back of the Cathedral by 25th Nov'r to allow sufficient time for the list to be published & circulated. Due to the latest GDPR legislation, the list will only be put up briefly at the weekend Masses & then kept securely, if you can't find the list email Jo @ stjohnfhc@gmail.com to book.

The North doors will now be closed for the winter months to conserve heat.

Advent and Christmas Carol Service Readers List is at the back of the cathedral for you to sign up to read one of the lessons.

Readers Rota has been sent out to all Readers. If you have not received your copy, or have difficulties printing it, contact Fileen@limacher.org.uk to arrange for a printed copy to be left for you in the Sacristy. Thank you.

COULD YOU HELP? Assistance required with the Cathedral Children's Liturgy Group. All children welcome!

FESTIVE FOODS – For many years the children have collected 'Festive Foods' for 'hampers' for the SVP to distribute to families & those living alone. We invite the parish to contribute. Donated goods will be collected at the 9am Mass on 9th & 16th December. Thank you. Would children who would like to join in

'A joined up approach to Homelessness' – a Talk and discussion lead by Cllr Kevin Maquire on the Council's new strategy to homelessness will take place on Thursday December 6th 7.30pm start in the Narthex. Please join us. Info'n from scmebelewicz@hotmail.com

“Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament will take place for the First Fridays, on **Friday 7th December** from after the **10am** mass until **4pm** when Benediction will take place.

The Chaplet of Divine Mercy will be said at **3pm**. All Welcome. Please add your name to the list at the back of the church if you would like to take a slot on the Rota, to ensure a presence at all times.”

On Friday 7th December, the Vigil of the Feast of the Immaculate Conception, please pray and fast for the end of abortion and euthanasia in this Country. information www.GoodCounselNetwork.com

The Narthex will be holding the **St Nicholas Fair** on **Saturday 8th December** 10.30am – 5.00pm. Browse for Christmas presents from the variety of stalls, selling handmade crafts, prints, jewellery and much more. Food and refreshments will be available from the Garden Café throughout the day and the Cathedral shop will be open for the sale of unique gifts and cards. St Nicholas will arrive on his horse at 4.00pm with gifts for the children. All welcome!

Crib Festival 2018 Friday 14th and Saturday 15th December for the benefit of the 'Nook'. Come and see a wonderful collection of Nativity scenes at in Our Lady of the Annunciation, Poringland. Free entry – refreshments available.

A CHRISTMAS CELEBRATION a concert by the Cathedral Choir – Wednesday 19th December 7:30pm – tickets are available from the Cathedral shop or the website. £10, including a glass of mulled wine.

Second Hand Clothes are needed by the poor in Jamaica. Box in the Rotunda for donations of unwanted light-weight, clean, clothes that can be taken by the volunteers going to the Missionaries of the Poor. Please contact Fr Michael Johnstone

CATHEDRAL SHOP – needs volunteers! Training given. Please call in at the shop to see Beryl or ring Beryl on 01603 728937. Thank you.

Diocesan Yearbook for 2019 is available for £2 in the Cathedral Shop.

Advent Spiritual Reading – a wide range of seasonal literature is available in the Duckett Library.

Notre Dame High – Require a Part-time Learning Support Assistant & Student Support Manager & Designated Safeguarding Lead. Please see Diocesan website for details. <https://www.rcdea.org.uk/welcome-schools-department/>

Sunday 9th December there will be a Cake Sale after the 9am & 11am mass. Proceeds will support the Justice & Peace Group. baked goods welcome. Contact Donna 07860464398

the Nativity tableau on Christmas Eve contact Mary Cordeaux at marycordeaux@yahoo.co.uk

ADVENT PROGRAMME – please take a copy after Mass