

St Thomas More Bulletin for the 1st Sunday of Advent Year A

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Mass Times

Saturday 30th November

Vigil of Sunday 4.30 pm

Sunday 1st December

9.15 am

Monday 2nd December

9.30 am at St Paul's

Tuesday 3rd December

10.00 am at St Mary's

Wednesday 4th December

7.00 pm at St Paul's

Thursday 5th December

9.00 am at St Thomas More

Friday 6th December

6.00 pm Exposition

7.00 pm at St Thomas More

Saturday 7th December

10.00 am at St Mary's

Vigil of Sunday 4.30 pm

Sunday 8th December

9.15 am

Mass Intentions

People of the Parish

1st Sunday of Advent

Feria

St Francis Xavier

Feria

Feria

Int of Sr Lucy Sheehan (Sr DP)

Feria

Santiago Aguado RIP (SC)

St Ambrose

Vinnie Lavin RIP (CS)

2nd Sunday of Advent

People of the Parish

The Sacrament of Reconciliation

Available before the Saturday Vigil Mass from 4.00 pm and by appointment at any other time.

Weekend Masses at St Paul's and St Mary's

St Paul's	Saturday Vigil 6.00 pm	Sunday 9.30 am
St Mary's		Sunday 11.00 am

Parish Priest: Fr David Palmer ☎ 0115 9786236

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Retired Priest in Residence: Rev John Abbott ☎ 0115 9174051

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30 November/1 December	VIGIL MASS	SUNDAY MASS
E Minister	F Cordes	M Bennett
Reader	J Bastow	N Byron
Sides Person	Mr & Mrs Harrington	M Greatorox
7/8 December	VIGIL MASS	SUNDAY MASS
E Minister	J Melia	A Tivey
Reader	J Foxon	G Adesso
Sides Person	B PRitchett	D Goodliffe
Church Cleaners for December	P Wetton, D & S Read, M Harrington	

News Items

Prayers for the Sick: Fr John, Margaret and Frank Magner, Margaret Pietryka, John Simcock, Sheila Leatherland, June DeLee, Margaret Cummins, Deirdre Dinsdale, Siobhan Grinnel-More, Roger Livens, Elizabeth Spray, Frank Slattery, Teresa O'Dowd, Kath O'Dowd, Naomi Hardwick, Margaret Shaw, John Doyle, Teresa Alanach, Mrs Man-Fong, Olive Gould.

Faith in Families Christmas Hampers and Toys Please see details of this initiative on the Notice Board at the back of Church

Second Collections This Weekend for the SRPF. Next week for Flowers and the Retired Parishioners Meal and the week after that for Poor and Needy Parishes.

Crossing the Threshold Resource Day Bishop Malcolm is hosting a resource day to be held at Trinity School on Saturday 7th December, 9.30 am – 4 pm, offering a variety of workshops and resources to help us reach out to non church-going Catholics. Bishop Kieran Conry is guest speaker. For more information and booking form for this important area of mission email: formation@nrcdt.org.uk or phone Diane on 9539841.

Retired Parishioners Christmas Lunch will take place on 14 December at 12.00 mid-day in the Church Hall at Beeston. Please place your name on the list on the Notice Board at the back of Church if you wish to come and also if you require transport.

Advent Liturgy Mary and Joseph; waiting on the Word. Our Advent Liturgy will take place on "Gaudete" Sunday 15 December at 5.00 pm and will be a meditation on waiting and praying in anticipation of the coming of the Word. It will be followed by mince pies and mulled wine. Do come along as part of your preparation for Christmas.

Pope Francis releases Evangelii Gaudium - The Joy of the Gospel Evangelii Gaudium, the Joy of the Gospel, looks at the new evangelisation for the transmission of the faith and has chapters on the following subjects: The Church's Missionary Transformation, The Crisis of Communal Commitment, The Proclamation of the Gospel, The Social Dimension of Evangelisation, Spirit-Filled Evangelisers
<http://www.catholicnews.org.uk/Home/News/Evangelii-Gaudium>

Christmas Cards with the times of services are now at the back of Church and ready for distribution. Please pick up a batch.

St Thomas More "Good Neighbours" Group Thanks to all who came last Tuesday– it was very encouraging indeed. We now have a group of parishioners who are willing to offer lifts to mass as well as a visiting service to those who request such services. There are one or two administrative details to iron out but it is great to know that we have begun and that it will soon be in place.

Parish Register This need updating and renewing. Commencing next week each person or family will be asked to complete a form. Please come to mass armed with a pen!

Carols in Nottingham The Nottingham Catholic Street Evangelisation team (NCSE) will be singing Carols outside M&S (St Peter's Church) in Nottingham on Wednesday 11th Dec 6:30-8:30pm, and would welcome anyone from the three Churches in our "cluster" to join them.

Service of Nine lessons and Carols On Sun 22nd Dec at 6pm we will be having our annual (as of last year) service of "Nine lessons and Carols" followed by mulled wine and mince pies at St Paul's. All are welcome, but we would particularly encourage you to invite people who, perhaps, are not regular Church goers, as it is a very non threatening service for them to attend, and is not a mass, but still gives them an opportunity to celebrate Christmas. So invite your relatives who wouldn't normally come to Church!