

Service times & Mass Intentions

SUNDAY 2nd December

1st Sunday of Advent Year C

11.00am: Mass: People of the Parish

MONDAY 3rd December

St. Francis Xavier

9.30am Mass: Eamon Donnelly RIP

WEDNESDAY 5th December

Advent Feria

9.30am Mass: Joan Lynch RIP

FRIDAY 7th December

St. Ambrose, Bishop

9.00am Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

9.30am Mass: Fr. Joe Neary RIP

SUNDAY 9th December

2nd Sunday of Advent

11.00am: Mass: Sydney Ashton RIP

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This week..

Reader:

Roger Finch

Offertory

Procession:

Denis &
Sally Heaney

Minister for Holy

Communion:

Eunice & Keith

Coffee Morning

Eunice

Flowers

Advent

Cleaners

Mrs Sellars &
Mrs Ballardie

Tellers:

Kevin Hurst

Offertory

Envelopes: £143.00

Loose: £130.45

Total: £273.45

*Thank you very
much!*

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1st Reading: Jeremiah 33:14-16

Psalm: 24: 4-5.8-9.10.14. **R:** To you, O Lord, I lift up my soul.

2nd Reading: 1Thessalonians 3:12— 4:2

Gospel Acclamation (Ps. 84:8): Alleluia alleluia! Let us see, O Lord, your mercy and give us your saving help. Alleluia!

Gospel: Luke 21:25-28. 34-36

Communion antiphon: The Lord will bestow his bounty, and our earth shall yield its increase.

My Dear Friends,

Bishop Patrick reminds us that he wants us to reflect during Advent on the first of the three themes outlined in his recent pastoral letter, namely our encounter with Christ: "The Christian faith is, above all, conversion to Jesus Christ, full and sincere adherence to his person and the decision to walk in his footsteps. Faith is a personal encounter with Jesus Christ, making of oneself his disciple. This demands a permanent commitment to think like him, to judge like him and to live as he lived. In this way the believer unites himself or herself to the community of disciples and appropriates the faith of the Church. This 'Yes' to Jesus Christ, who is the fullness of the revelation of the Father, is twofold: a trustful abandonment to God and a loving assent to all that he has revealed to us. This is possible only by the action of the Holy Spirit." (General Directory for Catechesis, 53, 54). Looking at the different ways in which this encounter happens, we need to note before we start that it is less a question of our search for Christ and more that of his search for us. We are not being tested on our spiritual maturity. We are being invited to become more open and aware.

Fr John

Deanery Reconciliation Services for Advent:

- Mon 10th December at 7.00 pm at St Albans
- Thu 13th December at 7.00 pm at St George's
- Tue 18th December at 7.00 pm at St Mary's
- Wed 19th December at 7.00 pm at OLOL
- Fri 21st December at 7.00 pm at English Martyrs

Diocesan Appointments for January 2019:

Fr. Gregory Tobin: Parish Priest of St. Mary's, Derby and Holy Family, Allestree, Derby and Christ the King, Mackworth, Derby.

Fr. Martin Sylvester: Parish Priest of All Saints, Glossop and St. Mary's Crowned, Glossop.

Fr. Christopher Thomas: Parish Priest of The Assumption, Beeston, Nottingham and St. Francis of Assisi, Long Eaton, Derbyshire.

Volunteers still welcome to help the **Lantern parade** and late night shopping evening on the evening of **Friday 7th December**. Please speak to Fr John for contacts.

'The Priory Catholic Voluntary Academy –

Eastwood, Nottingham: Full time temporary KS3 Class teacher. Salary: MPS. Start date: January 2019. End Date: August 2019. Closing Date: 13th December. Interviews: 18th December 2018. School Contact: Miss Sophia Cottrell 01773 713731/office@priory-pri.notts.sch.uk.

Operation Christmas Child Shoebox Appeal: Many thanks for your support for the shoebox appeal. We have had a record year sending 30 boxes, all full of gifts, sweets and lots of love to children who otherwise would not receive any presents this Christmas.

We will be doing the lists for the various supporting posts in our parish life for the coming year.

If you would like to add your name to the list, please see Fr. John for the Offertory Procession & Ministers of Communion, Roger Finch for Reading, and Denis & Sally Heaney for everything else! A big thank you to all who already help in any way.

The following paid post in the Prison Service is being offered for a part-time (12 hours) chaplain (lay or ordained): HMP Sudbury: <https://justicejobs.tal.net/vx/lang-en-GB/mobile-0/appcentre-1/brand-2/candidate/so/pm/1/pl/3/opp/22825-22825-HMP-Sudbury-Band-5-Chaplain-RC-Priest-Deacon-Lay-Person-12-hours-Per-week-en-GB>

Our next **Christian meditation** session will be in the parish hall on **Wednesday 5th December** at 2pm. All welcome.

Could you bring in your **Families First** boxes for counting? Irene Sellars has kindly agreed to deal with the boxes this year.

Christmas Cards, Advent Calendars & 2019 Diaries

An attractive selection of these is now available for purchase. These will be displayed in the Church Hall during coffee and tea after Sunday Mass. In addition some Christmas cards and Mass Bouquet cards will be available at the back of the church in the usual stand with an 'Honesty Box' for payment. *Eunice Finch*

Advance Notice: There will be minced pies and mulled wine in the hall after Sunday Mass on December 23rd! All invited.

Advent Retreat Day
On **Saturday 8th December** the Derby branch of the Nottingham Diocesan Spirituality Network invite you to a Retreat Day. Take a few hours out of your busy lives just for yourself and prepare for the Christmas Season. We welcome people from all the parishes in the Derby Deanery. The venue is St. Alban's Parish Centre, Derby DE21 6ET, 10.15am to 3pm. Please bring your lunch, tea/coffee will be provided. Further information contact Ann Neale 07730 956156.



Please remember in your prayers the following people who are sick or housebound:

Joe Ashton, Sister Attracta, John Atwood, Bruno Bradley, Fr. John Cairns, Fr Tony Colebrook, Sir Colin Corness, Erika Cundy, Fr Hugh Doherty, Fr. Stephan Foster, Fr. John Guest, Jerry and Janet Hannifan, Jim Hannigan, Monica Hoptruff, Edmund Jarvis, Mgr. Jonathan Moore, Chris Neal, Fr. Dominic O'Connor, Fr. Joseph O'Hanlon, Deirdre O'Ryan, Mgr Joe Phelan, Pat O'Donnell, Fr. Eamonn O'Hara, Joan Shaw, Joan Slater, Bernie Walker and Jenny Whitby. *May they be comforted and healed.*

We remember in prayer our departed brothers and sisters, especially: Elizabeth Boswell, Anthony Corbishly, Dorothy Wigley, Bridget Harrison, Gertrude Ghentand all whose anniversaries occur about this time. *May the Lord welcome them with gladness.*