



Parish of Saint Joseph

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THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT

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11 to 12 December 2021

REFLECTION

Zephaniah 3:14-18

Responsorial: Isaiah 12:2-6

Philippians 4:4-7

Luke 3:10-18

This Third Sunday of Advent is called 'Gaudete Sunday' from the first word of the Entrance Antiphon in Latin: 'Gaudete!' – that is, 'Rejoice!' It is as though we can barely wait to celebrate the wonder and joy of Christmas, the coming of Christ Jesus into our world. We also see that God exults in us, his people, renewing us by his love. St Paul in the Second Reading encourages us to have confidence in God, to be happy in the Lord. We do not need to worry, because if there is anything we need, we can ask God for it. God will grant us a peace of heart and mind that is far greater than we can grasp or understand, keeping us safe in Christ Jesus. In the Gospel, the people come to John the Baptist to ask him, 'What must we do?' to prepare for the coming of the Christ. The answer is not the same for everyone, but all are asked to share with those who have less than themselves. So, what can we let go to share with those who have less.

Masses, Services & Intentions

Sat	11	Advent Feria	10.00am	Livestream	Vasili Kalisperas – Healing (Pauline Kirton)
Sat	11	THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT	6.00pm	No Livestream	Terry Evans † (Craig Family)
Sun	12	THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT	10.00am	Livestream	People of the Parish
Sun	12	SYNODAL EXPOSITION & PRAYER BEFORE THE BLESSED SACRAMENT	3.00pm	No Livestream	For Synodal Leaders of Malvern Cluster & Severn Valley Catholic Churches
Mon	13	Memorial of St Lucy, Virgin, Martyr	12.00 noon	Livestreamed	Annie Pappachan † (Abilash Pappachan)
Tue	14	Memorial of St John of the Cross, Priest, Doctor of the Church	9:15am	No Livestream	Marian and Philip Longstaff † (Chris & Liz Burger)
Wed	15	Advent Feria		Private Mass	
Thu	16	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament	10:00am to 6:45pm	In Church	
Thu	16	Advent Feria	7.00pm	Livestream	Deceased members of the Gallagher Family † (T Ingles)
Fri	17	Advent Feria <i>O Sapientia</i>	9.15am	No Livestream	School Mass – in the school hall – parishioners are most welcome
Sat	18	Advent Feria <i>O Adonai</i>	10.00am	Livestream	People of the Parish
Sat	18	Service of Renewal of Marriage Vows	12.00 noon	No Livestream	Mark & Evelyn Cooper
Sat	18	FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT <i>O Radix Jesse</i> <i>Day of Prayer for expectant mothers</i>	6.00pm	No Livestream	Deceased Members of the Carroll Family † (Mary Carroll)
Sun	19	FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT Communion Family Mass <i>O Radix Jesse</i> <i>Day of Prayer for expectant mothers</i>	10.00am	Livestream	Mike Clarke † anniversary (Carys Clarke)
Sun	19	PARISH CAROL SERVICE	4.00pm	Livestream	ALL ARE WELCOME



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HOLY MASSES AT ST JOSEPH'S is livestreamed via YouTube:

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCq9QGYz7Cm mPDRxzmT ttow>

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The sanctuary and some front row seats are shown on camera but the rest of the church is not on camera.

Prayer of Spiritual Communion

My Jesus, I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament.

I love You above all things, and I desire to receive You into my soul.

Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart.

I embrace You as if You were already there and unite myself wholly to You.

Never permit me to be separated from You. Amen

ADVENT BIBLE STUDIES to explore each Advent Sunday Gospel ...before you go to Sunday Mass! 5 Weekly Sessions

Delivered by Mauro Iannicelli (Five Wednesday evenings)
24 Nov | 1 Dec | 8 Dec | 15 Dec | 22 Dec (7-8pm UK Time)

FREE LIVE

Mauro Iannicelli explores the Advent Sunday Gospel. You will experience Sunday Mass during Advent in a new way. Register at: www.comeandsee.org

Family Activity Pages for Advent are now available on St Joseph's website:
https://www.stjosephsmalvern.org/j/images/Documents/Advent_2021_Family_Activities.pdf

Fr Naz hears **confession** in the Aldwin Room from 10:30am until 11am on Saturdays or by appointment.

GOSPEL SHARE on Fridays at 7.30pm.

To join the Zoom Meeting click on this link:

<https://zoom.us/j/98111276987?pwd=SlZrYSs1ai9FVH YrbU5OcHYyYW9vQT09>

Meeting ID: 981 1127 6987 Passcode: 433646

Our Stewards here at St Joseph's have been doing a wonderful service for us all since the start of the pandemic. However, they remain few in number and would very much **appreciate some additional help**. Would you be willing EITHER, to join them on a rota basis, OR, offer to stay for a short time after weekend mass to help with the cleaning of chairs? Please contact Chris Burger on 01886832729 or the Parish Office on stjoseph.malvern@rcaob.org.uk.

Please complete a **Synodal Pathway Questionnaire**. Copies are available on the parish website or from the back of church. We would be grateful if all parishioners completed the questionnaire and returned it to the parish office at their earliest convenience. You may leave it in the bright green box at the door to church.

FORMING INTENTIONAL DISCIPLES: If you have a parish copy of this title on your shelves, please would you leave it in the narthex? Thanks.



CHRISTMAS MASSES AT ST JOSEPH'S



St Joseph's Carol Service	Sun 19 th Dec at 4pm	No Booking Required
Family Mass Christmas Eve	Fri 24 th Dec at 4pm	Booking Required
Christmas Vigil	Fri 24 th Dec at 9pm (carols from 8:30)	Booking Required
Christmas Day	Sat 25 th Dec at 10am	Booking Required

Book your seat for Christmas Mass. In an effort to keep everyone safe and well this Christmas, we are taking bookings for Christmas Masses. Please fill in a booking form (available at the back of church during Masses) and email, post or drop it off to the Parish Office by 19 Dec. There is still very good availability.

St Joseph's Youth Group will meet on Mon 13th December from 7pm until 8:30pm in the McEnnis Room. We will do a craft project and a Christmas Quiz.

PLEASE PRAY FOR the sick & housebound of St Joseph's parish: *Clare Gray, Michael Nealon, Arthur & Irma Bevan, Anne Wiseman, Martin Burger, Raymond Bree, Nicholas Ratcliff, Anne-Marie Elder, Margaret Coleman and Jessica. We include all those in hospitals, nursing homes & their own homes. Our Lady, health of the sick, pray for them. Amen*

Please pray for the repose of the souls of Stephen Try[†] and Dee Armstrong[†].

THE CATHOLIC DIARY WITH ORDER OF MASS 2022
Now available for £3 from the narthex. They make a good stocking stuffer.

Poolbrook String Orchestra Concert on Saturday 11th Dec at 7:30pm at Lansdowne Methodist Church (WR14 2AW) in aid of Wychumvi, a charity which feeds orphans at Gofu Juu School, Tanzania.
FREE entry. Donations gratefully received.

St Wulstan's Carol Service will be on Friday 17th Dec at 5pm. All are welcome.

Lyttelton Well Quiz Night Sat 11th Dec. Teams of four, competing for almost fabulous prizes, but don't worry if you are not part of a team; come along anyway and we will find you a team to join. Hall opens from 7pm and the quiz starts at 7.30 once everyone is on a team. Cost is £2.50 per head plus a contribution towards light refreshments - tea, coffee, biscuits, and cake, etc. Funds raised will be used for the benefit of The Well Counselling Service.

Envelopes are available in the Narthex for your Christmas offering for Parish Clergy.



Advent is a journey towards Bethlehem. May we let ourselves be drawn by the light of God made man. - Pope Francis