



Parish of Saint Joseph

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FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

Year C

27 to 28 November 2021

REFLECTION

Jer 33: 14-16

Ps. 25:4-5, 8-10, 14 1

Thes. 3: 12-4:2

Luke 21: 25-28, 34-36

On this First Sunday of Advent we swing between promise and fulfilment. In the First Reading, the prophet Jeremiah focuses on the promise God made to David, some 1,000 years before Christ. God says through the prophet that He will fulfil this promise by raising up a "just shoot," a righteous offspring of David, who will rule Israel in justice. Jesus is the "just shoot," the Saviour for whom Israel was waiting. Ours is a God who keeps His promises. Urging us to keep watch for His return in glory, Jesus draws on Old Testament images of chaos and instability—turmoil in the heavens; roaring seas; distress among the nations and terrified people. He evokes the prophet Daniel's image of the Son of Man coming on a cloud of glory to describe His return as a "theophany," a manifestation of God. Many will cower and be literally scared to death. But Jesus says we should greet the end-times with heads raised high, confident that God keeps His promises, that our "redemption is at hand," that "the kingdom of God is near".

Masses, Services & Intentions

Sat	27	Feria in Ordinary Time	10.00am	Livestreamed	People of the Parish
Sat	27	FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT	6.00pm	Not Livestreamed	Terry Evans † (Colette Phelps)
Sun	28	FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT	10.00am	Livestreamed	Richard Bohowicz † (Anne and Paul Lewis)
Mon	29	Advent Feria	12.00 noon	Livestreamed	Thanksgiving for Healing (Bernadette Eakin)
Tue	30	Feast of St Andrew, Apostle	9:15am	Not Livestreamed	Annie Pappachan (Abilash Pappachan)
Wed	01	Feast of Edmund Campion, Priest, Martyr		Private Mass	
Wed	01	ADVENT GOSPEL COURSE	7pm to 8:40pm	McEnnis Room	At Church – please book by phoning 01684 574 250
Thu	02	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament	10:00am to 6:15pm	In Church	
Thu	02	Advent Feria	7.00pm	Livestreamed	Eveline Clarke † (Marielle Biggars)
Fri	03	Memorial of St Francis Xavier, Priest <i>Migrants Day</i>	9.15am	Not Livestreamed	Dee Armstrong † (Peter Armstrong)
Sat	04	Advent Feria	10.00am	Livestreamed	Eileen Richardson † (Pauline Kirton)
Sat	04	SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT	6.00pm	Not Livestreamed	Terry Evans † (Fr Naz)
Sun	05	SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT	10.00am	Livestreamed	People of the Parish
Sun	05	SERVICE OF RECONCILIATION	3.00pm		Our Lady & St Alphonsus, Blackmore Park



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

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

1127 6987 Passcode: 433646

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

REMEMBERING THE DEAD IN NOVEMBER

November is a time to pray & give thanks for all those who have been an important part of our lives but are sadly no longer with us. Envelopes containing a blank form are available in the Narthex for anyone wishing to submit names of their loved ones for prayers during November. Please leave the envelopes with the list of names in the basket in front of the altar. Every Tuesday in November names submitted in the week will be read at 9.15am Mass. An offering in the envelope is welcome but not required.

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 will walk you through the Advent Sunday Gospel. You will experience Sunday Mass during Advent in a new way. Register at: www.comeandsee.org Those who cannot access this online programme from home are welcome to join in in the McEnnis Room where we will broadcast the livestream.

The new **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 . Please share widely.

SERVICES OF RECONCILIATION

There will be two **Services of Reconciliation**: one at **Blackmore Park on Sun 5th Dec at 3pm** and another at **St Joseph's on Fri 10th Dec at 7pm**. There will be two priests at each service.

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

St Joseph's Book Group will meet on Thursday 2nd December in the McEnnis Room at 7:45pm to discuss Chapter 1, A Hole in the World (pp. 54-69), in Naomi Klein's book *On Fire: The Burning Case for a Green New Deal*. **All are welcome.**

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

Dom Bendan Thomas leads Belmont Abbey's online and in person retreats during Advent. Visit: <https://www.belmontabbey.org.uk/the-road-to-bethlehem> .

CHRISTMAS MASSES

Carol Service	Sat 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 8:30pm)	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 will be taking bookings for Christmas Masses. Please fill in a booking form (available in the McEnnis Room after Masses or on the parish website) and email, post or drop it off to the Parish Office by 19 Dec.

Prayer of Spiritual Communion for the Year of St Joseph

Jesus Christ, our Redeemer, Son of God and Son of Mary, through the intercession of St Joseph, your earthly Guardian and guardian of the Church, unite us with the gift of your real presence, your Sacrament and Sacrifice, which feeds your Church along the path of holiness. Amen.

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 Diana Hill†, Anne Elcock†, Eileen Richardson's† and Dee Armstrong†. Pam Taylor's† memorial Mass will be at St Mary's Chapel, Newman University at 5pm on December 2nd. Archbishop Bernard Longley will be the main celebrant and Mass will be followed by refreshments in St Chad's Atrium. All are welcome. Please wear a mask unless exempt and have a negative lateral flow test before coming along.

LIFT NEEDED. A parishioner in WR14 1LG (Tanhouse Lane) would appreciate a lift to Mass for 10am Sunday or 6pm Saturday. If you can help, please contact the Parish Office on 01684 574 250.

There will be a **GREEN WINTER FAIR** on 27th Nov from 11:30am to 4pm in the Guesten Room, Lyttelton Well, Church St. FREE.

There will be an **'INFORMAL CAROL SERVICE'** on Thurs Dec 2nd at 2.30pm at St Matthias' Church. People living with dementia or special needs and their carers are especially welcome.

Next week there will be a second collection for the Poor Parishes of the Diocese.