

St. Mary's Catholic Church

A parish of Ampleforth Abbey

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CELEBRATIONS AND MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

1ST WEEK OF ADVENT 2013

Sunday cycle A/weekday cycle II

Day	Rank	Mass times	Mass Intention
Sun 1 st December	FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT	Vigil 6.00 pm	Edward Osborne
		10.00 am	Parish
		5.00 pm	John O'Neill
Mon 2 nd December	Feria	9.00 am	Horace Greenwood
Tue 3 rd December	Memoria: St Francis Xavier	7.00 pm	Cahalon Family
Wed 4 th December	Feria	9.00 am	<i>Liturgy of the Word and Communion</i>
Thu 5 th December	Feria	No Service	
Fri 6 th December	Feria	7.00 pm	Thanksgiving
Sat 7 th December	Memoria: St Ambrose, Bishop and Doctor of the Church	10.00 am	
Sun 8 th December	SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT	Vigil 6.00 pm	Margaret Short
		10.00 am	Parish
		5.00 pm	

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTER PRAYER: As we thank God for the gift of his Son to us in Holy Communion, let us remember those of our parish who are sick, old & housebound. May the Body and Blood of your Son, which we now send to them through our Eucharistic ministers, bring them hope, consolation & peace, through Christ our Lord.

MEMORIAL ACCLAMATION (for use throughout Year A):



We pro-claim your Death, O Lord, and pro-fess your Re-sur-rec tion un-til you come a-gain.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION (Confession) on Saturday 10.30 am to 11.00 am, and by request at other times.

ADORATION: Each weekday beginning 45 minutes before Mass **THE DIVINE OFFICE** is recited twenty minutes before each weekday Mass

PRAYER GROUP Wednesday 7.25pm (Healing Prayer Group) Adoration, Lectio Divina, then prayers for inner or physical healing as required. For more information please contact Maureen 869264

WEDDING ARRANGEMENTS SHOULD BE MADE AT LEAST SIX MONTHS IN ADVANCE: Couples asking for marriage over the next year or so should contact Fr William as soon as possible.

BAPTISM: If you are asking to have your baby baptised in the next few months, and have not received any instructions on the Sacrament of Baptism, please contact Fr William.

IN YOUR PRAYERS, PLEASE REMEMBER: Joan Akroyd, Maureen Bickford, Ellen Brown, Brian Buckley, Alma Corrie, Katie Deaton, David Doling, Alice Eckert, Jessica Ellerker, Pat Eve, Brian Greaves, Philip Hall, Eileen Hawkes, Barbara Hawksworth, Rosemary Hill, Sheila Madden, Dot McEvoy, Myrtle McEvoy, Mariana Robinson, Stephen Thorndike, Vitoria Windsor and all who are ill and those who care for them.

WE REMEMBER Kate Mary Cawthray, Agnes Lea, Eileen Ann Sweeting, Gavin Speirs, Mary Cresswell, Nigel Marshall, Elsie Mary Smith and all whose anniversary of death occurs at this time.

WEEKLY COLLECTIONS: w/e 24th November plate £236.96; envelopes £209.50; votive £12.16; Attendance 240
The retiring collection for CAFOD's work in the Philippines raised £544.48

THE HOLY FATHER'S MISSION INTENTIONS

That Christians, enlightened by the Word incarnate, may prepare humanity for the Saviour's coming.

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FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

EVENTS AND NOTICES

SUNDAY RESPONSORIAL PSALM (Vigil 6.00 pm & 5.00pm) Repeat after cantor and after each verse



ADORATION AND BENEDICTION 6.15pm to 7.00pm Sundays in Advent in the Blessed Sacrament Chapel.

CATHOLICISM, THE DVD Episode 1 showing at St Mary's this Tuesday 3rd December at 7.30pm. Get to know Jesus better this Advent. We journey with Fr Robert Barron to the mysterious and sacred sites of the Holy Land where God became Man. 50 minutes of superb cinematography and commentary. All welcome. Bring your friends. Followed by a short informal discussion for those who wish to stay.

BACON BUTTY SUNDAY Come and join us in the Hall this Sunday after Mass. Please remember parishioners from St Johns will be coming this week, so please come along and make our neighbours feel welcome!

APF - MILL HILL Thank you once more for all the generous contributions throughout the year from the Parish. This year's total is £1978-39 which will be boosted to well over £2000 when gift aid is added on. Anyone wishing to take a Red Box should contact Peter Whitehead on 01423 865732.

CHRISTMAS HAMPER RAFFLE Tickets go on sale this weekend at £1 each to win a Christmas Hamper full of Christmas Goodies OR a fabulous Chocolate Hamper. Draw to be made Sunday 22nd December in the Hall. The fundraising team have pledged to donate a minimum of £150 from the sale of tickets to Catholic Care's Christmas Appeal to celebrate this year their 150th Anniversary. We are also arranging a collection of non perishable foods, which can include Christmas items and toiletries. If you would like to make a donation by cheque - please make payable to Catholic Care. Donations will be accepted by the fundraising team up until 15th December. Boxes for collection of food items etc are available in the Atrium.

CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS MASS 24th December 2013 (4.30pm) in our Parish has traditionally been led by the Children and is a wonderful, busy and family occasion. We want to ensure that all the children of the Parish are included. If your child would like to be involved in the Mass and doesn't go to St Mary's School please contact either Emma Tolan (dreltolan@gmail.com) or Liz Jones (lizzy.rigs@btinternet.com) by 29th November. Letters with further details are being distributed via St Mary's School and are also in the Atrium.

KNARESBOROUGH OLD PEOPLE'S WELFARE ASSOCIATION Week commencing Monday 9th December it will be St Mary's turn to serve refreshments at the Leisure Centre in the Market Place. On Saturday 14th December helpers are also required to pack and deliver Christmas parcels: meet at the United Reform Church Hall, Windsor Lane, from 8 am.

VOLUNTEER NEEDED St Mary's needs a volunteer to come onto the church cleaning team. In the interests of equal opportunities this is open to men and women! It's a two hour job every 6 to 8 weeks. If you think you could offer this important service to the parish please get in touch. william@ampleforth.org.uk or shirleyannknowles@btinternet.com

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION From the beginning of the new Liturgical Year (1st December this year) Confessions will be at 10.30am to 11.00am on Saturday mornings instead of 5.15pm to 5.45pm Saturday evening. It will be in the Blessed Sacrament chapel instead of the confessional.

CHRISTMAS SHOPPING ONLINE? Did you know that every time you buy a gift you could also be raising money for St Mary's RC Church Knaresborough? Register at www.easyfundraising.org.uk When you're asked to choose your cause, select St Mary's RC Church Knaresborough

COMMUNITY HELPERS we are looking to set up a new team for the parish called Community Helpers. There are members of the parish who are housebound and possibly feeling lonely and isolated and might appreciate a visit from a fellow parishioner on a regular basis, perhaps weekly. It would also be a reassurance to them if there was somebody on the end of a phone they could call if necessary. Please let Fr William know if you would be interested or willing to be a community helper in this sense. william@ampleforth.org.uk

ST MARY'S READERS I'd be grateful if all St Mary's readers could drop me an email so that I'm in email contact. I'd like to organise a meeting at some point in the near future. william@ampleforth.org.uk

FOOD BANK Churches Together in Knaresborough (CTIK) are to start a foodbank in town one morning a week. Volunteers needed. Training will be provided for everyone. This is a service that we can give working alongside other churches. If interested please contact william@ampleforth.org.uk 01423 862388.