

# St. Mary's Catholic Church

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## SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT



### CELEBRATIONS AND MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

SECOND WEEK OF ADVENT

Sunday cycle A/weekday cycle II

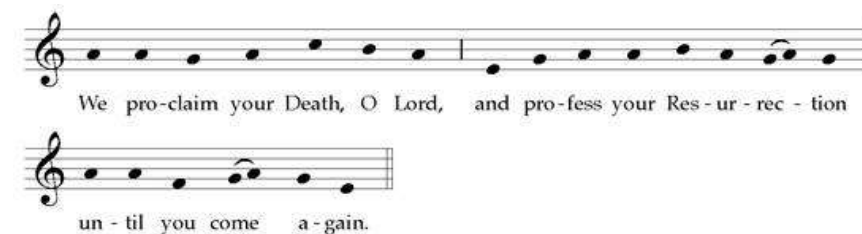
| Day                      | Rank  | Mass times                                      | Mass Intention  |
|--------------------------|---|---|---|
| Sun 8 <sup>th</sup> Dec  | SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT   | Sat 6.00 pm<br>Sun 10.00 am<br>Sun 5.00 pm      | Joseph & Elizabeth O'Brien<br>Our Lady's Intentions<br>Parish |
| Mon 9 <sup>th</sup> Dec  | SOLEMNITY: THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY | 9.00 am <i>in Chapel</i><br>Eucharistic Service |   |
| Tue 10 <sup>th</sup> Dec | Feria   | No service                                      |   |
| Wed 11 <sup>th</sup> Dec | Feria   | 9.00 am <i>in Chapel</i>                        | Special Intention   |
| Thu 12 <sup>th</sup> Dec | Feria   | No service                                      |   |
| Fri 13 <sup>th</sup> Dec | Memorial: St Lucy   | 7.00 pm <i>in Chapel</i>                        | Eleanor Teresa McConville                                     |
| Sat 14 <sup>th</sup> Dec | Memorial: St John of the Cross                                  | 10.00 am <i>in Chapel</i>                       | EBC   |
| Sun 15 <sup>th</sup> Dec | THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT  | Sat 6.00 pm<br>Sun 10.00 am<br>Sun 5.00 pm      | Noel Green<br>Margaret Moore<br>Parish                        |

**BEFORE MASS** Our three Sunday Masses have each a different character and offer parishioners a variety of choice. The time before Mass begins Sat 6pm and Sun 5pm tend to be quiet and prayerful in the church, Sun 10am more socialising. All are welcome at any Mass including children and babes. And please feel free to use the side chapel before Mass for an alternative quiet and prayerful space.

#### INVITATION



#### ACCLAMATION



**SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION** Saturdays 10.30 am until 11.00 am.

**PRAYER GROUP:** We are now meeting **2pm Wednesday** (Healing Prayer Group) for Adoration, Lectio Divina and prayers for inner or physical healing as required. For more information please contact Maureen 869264

**IN YOUR PRAYERS, PLEASE REMEMBER:** Harry Boucher, Torben Jacob Cartey, Alison Drake, Graham Drake, Lyze Dudley, Victoria Fulcher, David Little, Eleanor Mayhew, and all who are ill and those who care for them. To protect privacy please could all prayer requests be re-sent to Fr William: [william.wright@dioceseofleeds.org.uk](mailto:william.wright@dioceseofleeds.org.uk)

**PLEASE PRAY FOR:** Matilda Jones, John Thomas Mackown, Patrick Mulligan, Rosina Gertrude Shepherd, Edith May Harper, Theobald Doemling, Kathleen McAvoy, Mary Ruth Brown, Rose Emmett, Joseph Doherty, Evelyn Elliott, Stephen Keane and all whose anniversary of death occurs at this time.

#### THE HOLY FATHER'S PRAYER INTENTIONS

The Future of the Very Young. That every country take the measures necessary to prioritize the future of the very young, especially those who are suffering.

**READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY** You can now find these on the parish website. The link to the Readings for Next Sunday is on the homepage next to the link to this week's Parish Bulletin

**THIS SUNDAY** Second collection for the Peru Mission. Advent is when a collection is taken throughout the Diocese for the people of Peru. Our grant gives a group of young practising Catholics the opportunity to complete their University degrees. It finances Sida Vida an organisation that supports those who are affected by HIV and AIDS and works to protect women from violence and abuse, and Hanoprem a house of adults with special needs

**REVERSE ADVENT CALENDAR** Boxes for donations will be in the Atrium until the last Sunday of Advent. Please support this appeal and share the spirit of Christmas. Would like to add particular thanks to Boroughbridge High School who have already generously given 5 boxes of donations to this appeal.

**"LOVE AND MERCY: FAUSTINA"**, a docudrama on Divine Mercy and the mission of Sr. Faustina Kowalska, returning to selected cinemas by popular demand - on the December 10. Locations and tickets: [www.loveandmercyfilm.co.uk/tickets/](http://www.loveandmercyfilm.co.uk/tickets/)

**CHURCH FLOOR:** Progress on agreeing a cost effective way forward to repair the church floor and potentially try to prevent further problems in the future is proving difficult. There is no easy solution to the problem due to access issues that are exacerbated by the 2001 underfloor heating installation (continuous water pipe loops in the floor that cannot be cut and which form an impenetrable floor covering) and real difficulty in getting ventilation to all the floor areas (caused by thick outer walls, floor sleeper walls and varying external ground levels). Dialogue with the Diocesan Property office and building surveyors continues and we don't expect an agreed implementable solution until January 2020 at the earliest.

**ST MARY'S SINGERS** present A Christmas Cracker, a festive feast of Christmas classics together with seasonal refreshments, 2.30 pm 21 December in The Old School. Tickets £7.50 from Ian Burrell 07764366812. Proceeds to the church Building Fund. See poster in the Atrium.

**FUNDRAISING EVENTS: (1)** Pantomime- Mother Goose Thu 2 Jan The Old School Hall, 7.30pm £8.50/£4(child). Tel Maureen 07949 779446 **(2)** Christmas Hamper raffle tickets will be on sale in The Atrium £1

**NATIVITY PLAY** 24th December 6pm in the Market Place Christians Together in Knaresborough (CTiK) invites us to come, and has asked the churches to help fund it. Second collection on Sunday 22nd December will be for the CTiK Nativity Play.

**VISITING THE PARISH WEBSITE** Carmel Bridson (01423 868783) and Teresa Britton would be very happy to help anyone with visiting the parish website

**ST JOHN'S CAR PARK** can be used during Sat 6pm and Sun 5pm Masses, but not Sunday 10am Mass. St John's have their own service at this time. Parking options: Tentergate, Stockwell Rd (shortly before Boroughbridge Rd) and Boroughbridge Rd; disc parking (2hrs) on the High Street, Station Road and Kirkgate; Conyngham Park 90p for 1hr and £1.80 for 2hrs - or talk to other parishioners. Please also consider walking or cycling if you can.

**VACANCIES** for (1)Site Manager and (2)Cleaner. See posters in the Atrium

**INTERNATIONAL OUTREACH:** Total raised for the International Outreach in October and November was as follows: October £146.50, November £144.00.

**WEEKLY COLLECTIONS** 1<sup>st</sup> December: plate £285.15; envelopes £140.00; votive: £8.80; Building fund £315.00; Second Collection (Building Fund) £128.15; International Outreach £15.00; Attendance 234.