



NEWSLETTER

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THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT

11TH DECEMBER, 2016

MASS TIMES, INTENTIONS & SERVICES

DECEMBER 2016

11 th	Sun	09.30	Pro Populo
		18.00	James Maughan +
12 th	Mon	09.00	Eddie Parker +
13 th	Tue	09.15	JOHN FISHER WHOLE SCHOOL MASS
		19.00	HOLY ROSARY
		19.30	Evelyn & Mark Smith + <i>St Lucy</i>
14 th	Wed		NO MASS
15 th	Thu	18.30	EXPOSITION AND BENEDICTION
		19.00	John McVeigh +(GD)
16 th	Fri	09.00	Jesmi Peiris Intention
17 th	Sat	10.00	ADVENT RECONCILIATION SERVICE
18 th	Sun	09.30	Rolly & Jocelyn (Wed. Ann)
		18.00	Rex Lumibao +

CONFESSIONS: this Saturday from 10.30am to 11.00am or at any time by arrangement with Fr Naz.

ANNIVERSARIES: E F Brunnius and Sarah Craig

FINANCES LAST WEEK:

- Offertory: £318.81
- Poor Parishes: £91.81

Thank you to all for your generous support.

HALF & HALF Please keep buying tickets for the next draw which will take place today, 25th December.

SECOND COLLECTION TODAY IS FOR FATHER HUDSON'S CARE.

Father Hudson's is the social care agency of the Archdiocese, reaching out to support vulnerable people, young and old. If you are a tax payer and wish to support Father Hudson's Care today, please use the envelope provided.

MUSIC AT THE 9.30AM MASS

- **TODAY:** Main Choir.
- **NEXT WEEK:** Santa Terezinha Choir.

EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS NEXT WEEK:

- **9.30AM MASS:** Carina Andrade, Philomena Doherty, Rolly Esteban
- **6.00PM MASS:** John Kusumalayam and Ella Manansala

CLOCKHOUSE FESTIVE PARTY: Thursday 15th Dec from 2pm at Blackbird Leys Community Centre, Tel 395908 if interested.

PARISH CHRISTMAS DINNER AT BULLNOSE: Today, Sunday, 11 December at 1.00pm. Please be on time.

ADVENT PENITENTIAL SERVICE: Saturday, 17th Dec at 10am. There will be no Mass on this day to give more time for the celebration of Reconciliation.

PARISH DINNER DANCE: Saturday 17th December 2016 at 6pm. £10 per head and £25 for a family. Please register your interest on

the Dinner Dance sheet in the porch to give us numbers for catering purposes.

CHRISTMAS MASSES:

- **VIGIL MASS (FAMILY MASS):** Saturday, 24 December at 6pm (*Filipino Choir*)
- **CAROL SERVICE:** Saturday, 24 December at 11.30PM: (*Main Choir*)
- **SOLEMN NATIVITY MASS AT MIDNIGHT:** (*Main Choir*).
- **CHRISTMAS DAY MASS:** Sunday 25th December at 10am: (*African Choir*)

PARISH CALENDAR: for 2017 is available at the piety stall depicting pictures of the different parish celebrations. It costs £7.00 and please buy for your family and friends of the parish.

DBMAC GOVERNANCE MANAGER: The Dominic Barberi Multi Academy Company (DBMAC) are seeking to appoint a Governance Manager to work with the DBMAC Board of Directors. Please contact Mrs Pamela Rodgerson, HR Manager on 01865 749933 if you would like to discuss the role. A full advert copy on Notice Board in the porch.

RETREAT FOR ALL CHOIR MEMBERS will be on Saturday, 21st January 2017 at St Gregory the Great Catholic School from 11am till 4pm.

A "PERFECT" FAMILY CHRISTMAS can bring strain and stressful times to many relationships resulting to couples separating in the New Year. Professional help is available. Please email appointment@marriagecare.org.uk or ring 0800 389 3801 to arrange a local appointment. There is no set fee, we appreciate a donation to support our service. www.marriagecare.org.uk © Catholic Marriage Care.

PRAYER BEFORE THE ADVENT WREATH:

Father in heaven, Our hearts desire the warmth of your love and our minds are searching for the light of your Word. Increase our longing for Christ our Saviour and give us the strength to grow in love, that the dawn of his coming may find us rejoicing in his presence and welcoming the light of his truth; Our Lord Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you, for ever and ever, Amen

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