

# NEWSLETTER

## SACRED HEART R.C. CHURCH

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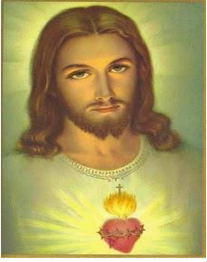
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third SUNDAY OF ADVENT

14<sup>th</sup> DECEMBER 2014



### MASS TIMES, INTENTIONS & SERVICES

#### DECEMBER 2014

14 <sup>th</sup>	Sun	09.30	Lourdes Nascimento (1 <sup>st</sup> ann) +
		18.00	Jovian & Joanna Intentions
15 <sup>th</sup>	Mon	09.00	Charmaine Doyle +
16 <sup>th</sup>	Tue	09.15	JOHN FISHER WHOLE SCHOOL MASS
		19.00	HOLY ROSARY
		19.30	Mariam Cherigan +
17 <sup>th</sup>	Wed		NO MASS
18 <sup>th</sup>	Thu	18.30	Joy Thomas +
19 <sup>th</sup>	Fri	09.00	Joy Thomas +
20 <sup>th</sup>	Sat	10.00	ADVENT RECONCILIATION SERVICE
21 <sup>th</sup>	Sun	09.30	Mary Quigley + (ann)
		18.00	Sarah Chesters +

**CONFESSIONS:** Saturday 10.30am to 11am or any day after Mass or by appointment with Fr Naz.

#### PLEASE PRAY FOR THOSE WHO ARE SICK OR

**RECOVERING:** Minnie Rowse, Alison Byard, Jean Collard, Pat Barfield, Dennis Thompson, Tanta Henry, Philomena Little, Sally Muhuta, Anna Ingelton, Ann Holden, Mary Jordan, Paddy Meridith, Michelle Iverson, Major Bartolome Giron, Vera Cooper, Bernadette Samworth, Natasha Anderson, Sr. Rose, Julio Arquimbau, Kate Surman, Val Smith, Steven Bradley, Johannes Baptista Klau, Bozena Pastuszka, Lucas Randall, Mama Njenga, Jacqueline East and all who care for the sick.

**RECENT DEAD:** N'cho Josee who died recently in Ivory Coast

**ANNIVERSARIES THIS WEEK:** Mary Batten & E.F.

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#### FINANCES LAST WEEK:

- Offertory: £224.02
- Poor Parishes: £89.22

**RETIRING COLLECTION FOR CHRISTMAS FLOWERS:** will be taken after both Masses today.

**HALF & HALF** Please keep buying for the next draw which will be on Sunday, January 25th 2015.

#### MUSIC AT THE 9.30AM MASS

- TODAY: Main Choir
- NEXT WEEK: Next week: Timores Choir

#### EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS NEXT WEEK:

9.30AM MASS: Mary Barry and Arman Santos

6PM MASS: Ela Manansala

**PIETY STALL** has a lot of Christmas cards, Catholic Diaries and a few Parish calendars. Please visit and see what you can get.

**RECENTLY MARRIED:** Congratulations to GEORGE AGGREY MENSAH & MICHAELLA OHYI QUARMYNE who were married in this Church yesterday

**BANNS OF MARRIAGE:** COLIN JOSEPH DONOGHUE & LOUISE MARY O'BRIEN are due to marry at St Mary's Parish Church Beaufort, Killarney in the Republic of Ireland on 31<sup>st</sup> December 2014 at 12.00noon. If any of you know cause or just impediment why these persons should not be joined together in Holy Matrimony, please declare it to the Parish Priest. This is for the first time of asking.

**CONFIRMATION MEETING:** This Tuesday, 16<sup>th</sup> December at 4.30pm. Confirmation date has been moved to Friday, 27<sup>th</sup> February at 6pm

**JOURNEY IN FAITH PROGRAMME:** Tuesday, 16<sup>nd</sup> December from 6pm to 7pm. For those who would like to know more about the Catholic Faith and those who would like to be baptised or received into the Church this coming Easter.

#### CHANGES IN THE WEEKLY MASSES THIS WEEK:

- Please note that on Thursday this week there is no Exposition and Benediction. Mass starts at 6.30pm.
- On Saturday there is a Penitential Service at 10am instead of Mass.

**ADVENT RECONCILIATION SERVICE:** Will take place this Saturday, 20<sup>th</sup> December from 10am to about 11am. A wonderful opportunity for spiritual preparation for Christmas.

**DINNER DANCE:** The Filipino Choir has organized another Come Together for the people of the Parish for a Dinner Dance on Saturday, 20<sup>th</sup> December to start from 5pm and close at 11pm. There will be a big display of Filipino Food and a specially hired DJ for the dance. Tickets are £10 per adult and £25 for a family of two adults and children. Please register with Jocelyn Esteban today and get tickets from her.

#### CHRISTMAS MASSES:

- VIGIL MASS (FAMILY MASS): Wednesday, 24 December at 6pm. (*African Choir*).
- CAROL SERVICE: Wednesday, 24 December at 11.30PM: (*Main Choir*)
- SOLEMN NATIVITY MASS AT MIDNIGHT: (*Filipino & Main Choirs*)
- CHRISTMAS DAY MASS: Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> December at 10am: (*Timores Choir*)

#### **PRAYER BEFORE THE ADVENT WEATHER:**

*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*