

GAUDETE SUNDAY: A JOYFUL SUNDAY

The Third Sunday of Advent is also known as Gaudete Sunday. The word “gaudete” is derived from the Latin words “gaudium,” joy, and “gaudeo,” to rejoice or be glad. Gaudete Sunday occurs eight to thirteen days before Christmas, and the nearness of the feast is reason for great joy. The Term “Gaudete” is taken from the Entrance Antiphon: “Rejoice in the Lord always; again I say, rejoice. Indeed, the Lord is near” (paraphrase, Phil 4:4-5). Advent is a time of joyful expectation and eager preparation for the Solemnity of Christmas.



200 Club The December Draw will take place after Mass on Sunday for this month's prize of £200.00.

TEA AND COFFEE AFTERNOON This will be held at 2:00pm on **Wednesday 14th December** in the Priory. All welcome. If you need a lift, please ring 463195 or 463248.

ADVENT CAROL SERVICE Please join us in church for carols and readings at 6:00pm (after the football!) **Sunday 18th December**. There will be contributions from OLAS school, the Confirmation group and parishioners. Donations will be in aid of DVO.

DEANERY PILGRIMAGE SAN GIOVANNI ROTONDO 26th APRIL- 3rd MAY 2023
Please complete a booking form and send with a deposit of £275pp to Northern Star Tavel **before end of January**. See www.parcodellerose.com/en for the 4* hotel accommodation.

SCHOOL LUNCHTIME WELFARE POSITION OLAS School is looking for a Welfare Assistant for four lunchtimes per week—Monday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday. If you are interested in the position, please see Mr Kearon at school for more information.

INCE BENET PRAYER AND RETREAT CENTRE This newly opened centre is based in a repurposed monastery, close to Crosby. It is available for short retreats, quiet away days or for groups to meet. To view their website see <https://incebenet.co.uk/>

ICE AND SNOW HEALTH AND SAFETY GUIDANCE Please note that we must all take personal responsibility in such conditions. When the temperature drops below 3° the sacristan or steward, on their arrival at Church, will salt the steps of the main porch. However, you are advised to wear suitable footwear and use the handrail when entering and leaving Church as a precaution. Due to lack of manpower and the expense of subcontracting it is not possible to grit the paths or carpark, so please take care.

FAULT WITH BOLLARD LIGHTS You may wish to know that the bollard lights aren't currently illuminated at night due to a fault, which is too costly to rectify. We are considering alternative options. In the meantime, the area around the church is illuminated by the floodlights, and the carpark and sacristy lights provide extra light around evening Mass time.

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Rev. LJR Daley, Priest

THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT 11th December 2022

Celebration of Holy Mass

11 th Sunday	THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT	10:30 am Pro populo
12 th Monday	Our Lady of Guadalupe	7:00 pm Dec ^d Sephton Family
13 th Tuesday	St Lucy, Virgin and Martyr	7:00 pm Nellie Charnock
14 th Wednesday	St John of the Cross, Priest and Doctor	7:00 pm Keane & Norman Families
15 th Thursday	Feria	11:30 am Frank, Pauline & Mandy Cunningham
16 th Friday	Feria	9:30 am Special Intention (C)
18 th Sunday	FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT	10:30 am Pro populo
	Advent Carol Service	6:00 pm

CONFESSIONS Will be held before Monday and Tuesday evening Mass.

ROSARY The Rosary will be prayed from 6.35pm on Tuesday in Church, before Mass.

PLEASE PRAY FOR Sheila Jennings, Sandra Marston, Denise Fletcher, Richard D'Alton, Joe Charnock

ANNIVERSARIES William McComish

LAST WEEK'S OFFERTORY COLLECTION Loose £198.60, Envelopes £78.50, SOs £444.00. Thank you for your offerings.

MONTHLY SECOND COLLECTION To be held next Sunday, will be for SVP.

EARLY NOTICE OF CHRISTMAS SERVICES **Sunday 18th December** 6:00pm Carol Service; **Christmas Eve** 10:00pm Christmas Readings and Carols followed by 10:30pm Christmas Mass in the Night; **Christmas Day** 10:30am Day Mass of Christmas; **Monday 26th December** 7:00pm Holy Mass, Feast of St Stephen. Please see website for all Masses over the Christmas period.