



**NOVENA TO THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION** The Immaculate Conception is our belief that the Virgin Mary was free from original sin, by virtue of the merits of her son Jesus. Mary's sinless conception is the reason why Catholics refer to Mary as "full of grace". Since this is such an important feast, a Novena will be said from Tuesday 29<sup>th</sup> November after each Mass, until the Feast Day on 8<sup>th</sup> December. Prayer sheets are on Stewards' table.

**JOIN SPUC'S NATIONAL PRAYER CAMPAIGN TO MARK THE 55TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE ABORTION ACT AND TO REMEMBER THE 10 MILLION LIVES LOST TO ABORTION SINCE 1967** On 27<sup>th</sup> October, it was exactly 55 years since the Abortion Act 1967 was passed. Since then, 10m babies have lost their lives in this country to abortion. The battle to defend life is above all a spiritual one and on 27<sup>th</sup> October 2022 SPUC launched a National Prayer Campaign in collaboration with the Knights of St Columba, to encourage more people to pray with renewed faith and trust for an end to the culture of death, and for a flourishing culture of life. The aim is to reach a milestone of 10m prayers being pledged between 27<sup>th</sup> October and 23 April 2023, in memory to the 10m lives lost to abortion. Pledge postcards for you to fill in, can be found at the back of Church. In addition, you are invited to take a pack of beautifully illustrated prayer cards.

**TEA AND COFFEE AFTERNOON** Will be held at 2:00pm Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> December in the Priory. All welcome. If you need a lift, please ring 463195 or the parish office 463248.

**SYNOD** After a number of postponements, Synod training for priests of this Deanery, and the Deanery Chair recently went ahead. Details of the next steps will be published shortly.

**DEANERY PILGRIMAGE SAN GIOVANNI ROTONDO 26<sup>th</sup> APRIL- 3<sup>rd</sup> MAY 2023** See flyer and proposed itinerary at back of church. If interested, please append your name to the list at the back of Church, and send a completed booking form (including deposit £275pp) to Northern Star Tavel **before end of January**. See [www.parcodellerose.com/en](http://www.parcodellerose.com/en) for the 4\* hotel accommodation. There are about 20 people from other local parishes interested.

**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. They are holding Advent Reflection days on 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> Dec. For details, please phone ☎ 07931902346. To view their website see <https://incebenet.co.uk/>

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## SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT 4<sup>th</sup> December 2022

### Celebration of Holy Mass

4 <sup>th</sup> Sunday	<b>SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT</b>	10:30am Pro populo
5 <sup>th</sup> Monday	St Sabbas, Abbot	7:00pm Clare Crossan
6 <sup>th</sup> Tuesday	St Nicholas, Bishop	7:00pm Brian Norman
7 <sup>th</sup> Wednesday	St Ambrose, Bishop	7:00pm John Livesey
8 <sup>th</sup> Thursday	<b>THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION OF OUR LADY</b>	11:30am Dec <sup>d</sup> Eccles Family
9 <sup>th</sup> Friday	St John Diego	9:30am Ted Clarke (sick)
10 <sup>th</sup> Sunday	<b>THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT</b>	10:30am Pro populo

**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** Catherine Hastie, Michael Golden

**LAST WEEK'S OFFERTORY COLLECTION** Loose £189.15, Envelopes £138.00, SOs £444.00. Thank you for your offerings.

**MONTHLY SECOND COLLECTION** Thank you for your donations for Animate, totalling £24.00.

**EARLY NOTICE OF CHRISTMAS SERVICES** **Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> 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 26<sup>th</sup> December** 7:00pm Holy Mass, Feast of St Stephen. Please see website for all Masses over the Christmas period.