

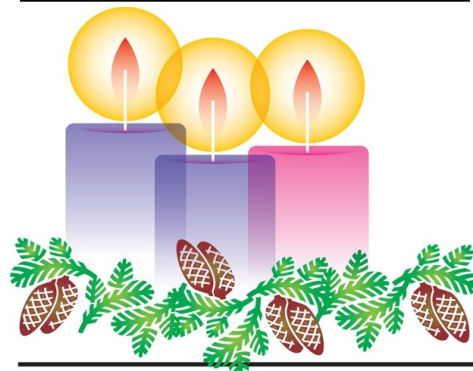
EXPOSITION & BENEDICTION ON FRIDAYS IN ADVENT.

After Mass on Friday morning the Blessed Sacrament will be Exposed on the Altar for adoration, prayer & reflection. Benediction at 11.15am
11th, 18th. December
Take this time to prepare yourself to celebrate Christ's coming again to your heart.



Mass each day continues to be shown live on my Facebook page—Paul Roy Lomas. It is also available to use after the Mass has ended in case you can't be on your computer, smart phone or lap-top at the exact time.

COVID 19 VIRUS IS STILL PREVALENT SO KEEP A SAFE DISTANCE FROM EACH OTHER. TOUCH AS LITTLE AS POSSIBLE.



THIRD SUNDAY



The Advent Wreath or Advent crown, is a Christian tradition that symbolizes the passage of the four weeks of Advent in the liturgical calendar of the Western church.

Song as we light Advent Wreath candles (Tune—Away in a Manger)

A candle is burning, a candle of Joy;
a candle of hope which no ill could destroy.
The prophets proclaiming an end to all strife;
the desert once barren, will now spring to life.

Congratulations to Father Paul's granddaughter, Sophia Holloway, as she makes her First Holy Communion this weekend. It is a proud moment for her parents Claire & Rob to celebrate with the family.

LAST WEEK THERE WAS A SECOND COLLECTION FOR THE POOR PARISHES OF THE DIOCESE. HAVE YOU BROUGHT BACK YOUR ENVELOPE FOR THIS FUND?

Mass for Christmas during the Pandemic in Tier 3.

Dec 24th Christmas Eve

Vigil Mass at 5 pm
(Midnight Mass) at 8 pm
No specific children's mass because of number restrictions. So extra mass for all.

Dec 25th Christmas Day

Early Mass 9.30 pm
Midday Mass 11.30 am
An extra Mass at 11.30 am as an extra opportunity.

Dec 26th St. Stephen 10 am
Holy Family Vigil Mass 4pm

Dec 27th Holy Family Mass
9.30pm

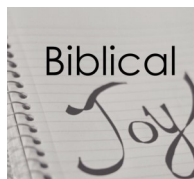
MASS CHOICES WILL NEED TO BE BOOKED WITH FR. PAUL.



Reflection

Joy and pleasure

There is a world of difference between joy and pleasure.
 Pleasure can be planned. Joy can't be planned;
 it comes unexpectedly, and is all the sweeter for that.
 Pleasure is immediate. Joy often comes later,
 and the sweetest joy of all is that which follows pain.
 Pleasure comes from saying 'yes' to ourselves.
 Joy comes from saying 'no' to ourselves.
 Pleasure is alike a flare in the night:
 it brightens things up for a while, but when it's over,
 we feel darker and emptier than ever.
 Joy, on the other hand, is like a bright fire in the hearth;
 even when it dies down, it leaves a warm glow behind it.



Why rose pink vestments this week?

If available the priest wears a rose or pink vestment on **Gaudete** Sunday, the third Sunday of Advent.

There will also be a pink candle to be lit on the Advent wreath.



The name **Gaudete** comes from the traditional entrance antiphon, or introit, sung at the Mass.
 The term may be broadly translated as "rejoice" or "delight" and refers to the importance of the theme of Christian joy, even in the midst of a penitential season.
 On this Sunday we relax a little in the penitential season we are in and remember to rejoice in the Lord at all times.

THE THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT (Yr B)

VIGIL MASS 12th December 2020 4.00 pm

SUNDAY MASS 13th December 2020 9.30 am

MASS THIS WEEK **GAUDETE SUNDAY** Vigil Mass 4 pm Rita Wright RIP

Sunday 13th **3RD SUNDAY OF ADVENT** Mass 9.30 am Parishioners

Monday 14th **NO MASS**

Tuesday 15th Tuesday in third week Mass 10 am Michael McNaught RIP

Wednesday 16th Wednesday in third week Mass 10am Betty Cooke RIP

Thursday 17th Thursday in third week Mass **9.30 am in school**.

The staff & children of the school

Friday 18th Friday in third week Mass & Exposition 10 am Covid 19 sufferers

Saturday 19th **VIGIL MASS AT 4 PM** Parishioners

4th SUNDAY OF ADVENT Vigil Mass 4 pm The improvement in health of Cathy & Eddie Manning



Next Week—**FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT (YEAR B)**

VIGIL MASS (19th) 4.00 pm SUNDAY (20th December) MASS 9.30 am



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