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The Second Sunday of Advent - Year B

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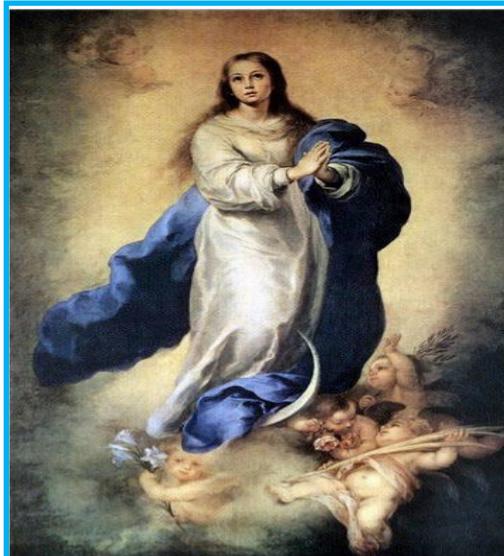
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Mon, Tue & Fri (9.00 AM-12.30 PM)



PRAYER TO THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION

O God, who by the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary, did prepare a worthy dwelling place for your Son, we beseech you that, as by the foreseen death of this, Your Son, You did preserve Her from all stain, so too You would permit us, purified through Her intercession, to come unto You. Through the same Lord Jesus Christ, Your Son, who lives and reigns with You in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, world without end. Amen.

We are live streaming the mass daily -St Theresa Sacred Heart live (YouTube)

Christmas Masses-

We have a limit of 80 and 24 in our churches. I am asking parishioners to let me know if you and your family would like to attend Masses either on the 24th or the 25th of December. I may need to add more Masses according to the number of Parishioners would like to attend and I need to arrange priests to celebrate our Christmas Masses. If you can let me have your names, number of people attending, contact number, the day you would like to attend and the name of the church. You could either give to me or drop it to the presbytery either would good and ASAP. Many thanks.

Dear All, We welcome Fr. Benny Dennis ic who is stopping with us for sometime. He is arriving on the 15th of December. You may meet him next weekend.

Sat 5th Dec 2020	Advent Feria	09.00AM 06.00PM	No Mass Denise Mitchell RIP
Sun 6th Dec 2020	Second Sunday of Advent	09.15AM 11.15AM	Winnie Doyle RIP Joseph Dinsley (S.H.)
Mon 7th Dec 2020	St. Ambrose, bishop, doctor, (memorial) Requiem	09.00AM 12.00PM	All parishioners Norah Miller RIP
Tue 8th Dec 2020	The Immaculate Conception of the B.V.M., Patron of our Diocese	09.15AM	Peter Bastiampillai RIP (S.H.)
Wed 9th Dec 2020	Advent Feria	09.00AM	John Murphy RIP
Thu 10th Dec 2020	Advent Feria	09.00Am	Patrick McKenna RIP
Fri 11th Dec 2020	Advent Feria	09.15AM 07.00PM	Bowley and Ring RIP (S.H.) Private Intention
Sat 12th Dec 2020	Advent Feria	09.00AM 06.00PM	All Parishioners Dolours Murphy G.E.

Next Week's Gospel Reading

Gospel

John 1:6-8,19-28

A man came, sent by God.
His name was John.
He came as a witness,
as a witness to speak for the light,
so that everyone might believe through him.
He was not the light,
only a witness to speak for the light.

This is how John appeared as a witness. When the Jews sent priests and Levites from Jerusalem to ask him, 'Who are you?' he not only declared, but he declared quite openly, 'I am not the Christ.' 'Well then,' they asked 'are you Elijah?' 'I am not' he said. 'Are you the Prophet?' He answered, 'No.' So they said to him, 'Who are you? We must take back an answer to those who sent us. What have you to say about yourself?' So John said, 'I am, as Isaiah prophesied:

a voice that cries in the wilderness:
Make a straight way for the Lord.'

Now these men had been sent by the Pharisees, and they put this further question to him, 'Why are you baptising if you are not the Christ, and not Elijah, and not the prophet?' John replied, 'I baptise with water; but there stands among you – unknown to you – the one who is coming after me; and I am not fit to undo his sandal-strap.' This happened at Bethany, on the far side of the Jordan, where John was baptising.

The Meaning of the ADVENT WREATH



Symbol

Circle
Evergreen Wreath
Candle
4x Candles
3x Purple
1x Rose (Pink)

Meaning

Eternity of God
Life, Immortality
Jesus is the light of the world.
Four weeks of Advent
Purple = prayer, penance, & preparation
Rose = Rejoicing

Parish in Council meeting- remain cancelled. It is not safe to meet indoors. If you want to bring anything to my attention, you may do so in person.

Rosminian News

Anyone considering their religious vocation please do not hesitate to get in touch with Rosminian Fathers. Please continue to pray and support. Many Thanks

For those who use online banking:
Standing Order—Account name: St. Theresa Birstall RCP
Sort Code: 309618
A/C No 03831076

Christmas Raffle-

We will commence selling squares for the above from Saturday the 5th of December. This fundraising is for parish funds. 1st Prize will be a Hamper kindly donated by the Co-op funeral parlour, will also include, a bottle of whiskey, Garden centre voucher, Christmas cake, Wine, Chocolates etc...

THE SECOND SUNDAY
IN ADVENT:

PEACE



Thought for the Week

In order that you may attain a desirable steadfastness, accustom yourself to consider good in itself and to love it for its own sake. Then nothing will have the power to divert you from your good resolutions, since good is always such, whatever its external surroundings. We have only to love it with all our heart, with unbounded affection.

Gift-aid envelopes-

If you are not able to attend Church, during these difficult times and you are the holder of an envelope, could you please put them through the presbytery door, to help keep our parish funds healthy. Many thanks.

Offertory Collection

Envelopes: £
Loose Plate: £
Total: £
Many Thanks

Stars
Can't
Shine
Without
Darkness

FOR THOSE WHOSE ANNIVERSARIES FALL AROUND THIS TIME

John Griffin, Maureen Chambers, Jan Ludwig, Joan Bradbury, John Doyle and James Brennan
RECENTLY DECEASED

Norah Miller, Joseph Matthews and Peter Halleron

PLEASE PRAY FOR ALL THOSE WHO ARE SICK

Matty Hatton, Paul Lallo, Sally Knight, Carolyn Hanley, Christina Prioretti, Oliver Vanderfejest,
June McNeelance, Lorraine Pugh and Doreen Conannon