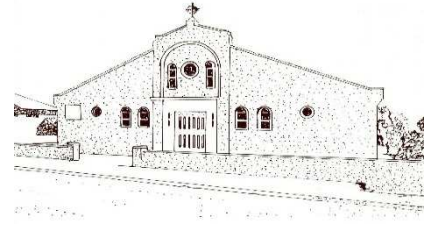


**Catholic parishes of
St Joseph & St Walburga
and Our Lady of Fatima,
Poole**



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**FIRST WEEK IN ADVENT
2nd DECEMBER 2018**

Lectionary Year C (volume 1)

Psalter 1

Readings: Pages 82 /84

FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

Saturday 1st	5:30pm	Vigil Mass (SJ)	<i>Deceased members of McMahon & Keenan Family RIP</i>
Sunday 2nd	8:30am	Mass (OLF)	<i>For our two parishes</i>
	10:30am	Mass (SJ)	<i>Fr William McDonald RIP</i>
Monday 3rd	- No Mass Today -		St Francis Xavier
	9:00am	Praying Parents (OLF)	6:45pm Meditation (SJ)
Tuesday 4th	10:00am	Mass (OLF)	<i>R.J John RIP</i>
	10:30am	Adoration & Rosary (OLF)	
Wednesday 5th	10:00am	Mass (OLF) followed by Padre Pio Prayer Group	
Thursday 6th	10:00am	Rosary (SJ)	
	10:30am	Mass (SJ)	St Nicholas <i>CWL Intentions: Founders Day</i>
	2:00pm	Rosary (OLF)	3:00pm Mothers Prayers (OLF)
	6:30pm	Mass at Poole Hospital	
	7:30pm	Prayer & Share prayer group (SJ)	
Friday 7th	9:30am	Morning Prayer (OLF)	
	11:00am	Holy Hour with Adoration and Rosary at 11:30am (SJ)	
	12noon	Mass (SJ)	<i>Thanksgiving for Margaret Walker's Famous 6</i>
	3:00pm	Mothers Prayers (SJ)	
Saturday 8th	10:00am	Mass (OLF)	2:30pm Baptism of Olivia Zarembo (SJ)

SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT

Saturday 8th	5:30pm	Vigil Mass (SJ)	<i>Andrew Reilly RIP</i>
Sunday 9th	8:30am	Mass (OLF)	<i>For our two parishes</i>
	10:30am	Mass (SJ)	<i>Canon Francis Gallagher RIP</i>

Confessions: Saturdays 10:30am (OLF) and 4:30pm (SJ)

Parish information & contact details

Parish Priest: Father Christopher Findlay-Wilson
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St Joseph's parish secretary and hall bookings:

Jane Jolly Mon: 8.30am to 11.30am; Tues - Fri: 9 to 12
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Our Lady of Fatima: All enquires: St. Joseph's Church

St Joseph's Catholic Primary School: Sancreed Rd
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Parish safeguarding contact: Dr Zeldia Cheng. For enquires please contact parish office or (01364) 645430

Items for the Newsletter in writing or email to the Parish Office by Wednesday 12 Noon please.

Sunday Mass times in other Poole parishes

St. Anthony's: Saturday 5:00pm

Tel: 01202 693336: poole-stanthony@prcdtr.org.uk

St. Mary's: Sunday 9:30am and 5:30pm

Tel: 01202 675412: poole-stmary@prcdtr.org.uk

Please remember in your prayers: Those who have died recently, their families and those whose anniversaries occur at this time. There is a book for names in church.

Please Pray for the sick: Joyce Bainbridge, David Bolt, Bill Davey, Nora Biggs, Kathleen Brown, Giulio Cacchioli, José Canelas, Pat Cassidy, Ruth Colbert, Fr Keith Collins, Allan David, Anne Degnan, Lynne-Michelle Denton, Chantal Doherty, Josephine Evans, Kelly Ford, Alex & Alison Fry, Sue Fortune, Fr Ron Hishon, Dora Johnson, Anne Kane, Dennis Kelly, Mary McGowan, Eric McWilliams, Michael Moore, Pam Morrell, Rachel Musselwhite, Kyle Oran, Alec Pittam, Edna Price, Greta Owen, Avril Poole, Ann Robinson, Celia Rutledge, Mary Sebastian, Abigail Smith, John Smith, Sean Smith, Joseph Sweet, Ian Tobin, Ana & Linda Witzak

Local Hospitals

It is important that we ring these numbers if we are going into hospital:

Poole General Hospital: Rev Declan McConville (01202) 665511 – Bleep No. 0612; St Ann's Hospital (01202) 746539; Alderney Hospital (01202) 746539; Bournemouth Hospital (01202) 704221

Welcome

If you are a visitor, we hope you enjoy your stay with us. If you are new to the parish, we invite you to fill out a parish registration form. Please join us for tea or coffee in the hall after Sunday morning mass.

Rotas for Our Lady of Fatima church

This Sunday 2nd December 2018

Welcome - Jane Jolly

Readers— Jackie Turner & Julie Steele (Children's Mass)

Extraordinary ministers – Dot Gulliver

Coffee – Estelle, Jenny & Sue

Counters – Veronica Lane & Matthew Lucas

Cleaners - Jamon & Team

Flowers – No Flowers during Advent

Next Sunday 9th December 2018

Welcome – Chris & Jackie Turner

Readers - Teresa Bunter & Terry Needham

Extraordinary ministers- Peter & Sandra Lister

Coffee – Estelle, Jenny & Sue

Counters – Chris Turner & Terry Needham

Cleaners - Lin & Sue

Flowers – No Flowers during Advent

Rotas for St Joseph's Church

Repository staff, Church Cleaners, Counters, Extraordinary Ministers, Welcomers: Team A

Readers - This weekend 1st/2nd December 2018

5:30pm P. Heaver & M. Rawlinson

10:30pm M. Bray & L-M Denton

Readers - Next Weekend 8th/9th December 2018

5:30pm C. Moran & F. Tse

10:30am H. Fogarty & L-M Denton

Intercessions: 9th December: A. Simmonds-Walder

Collections last weekend

St. Joseph's: £971.75 inc SO

OLF: £302.58 inc SO

Second collections

This weekend SVP; 15th/16th December Flowers for Christmas

Missio collection for foreign missions (at St Joseph's)

Thank you to all those who have given to the Missio this year. Please bring any further donations/ boxes/ annual donations to me or the office by Christmas. **Please do not leave them in the Narthex John Gregory**

Have you lost a Skoda Car Key? Please contact the office.

The Parish office will be closed on Wednesday 5th December.

Advent confessions 7pm Weds 12th Dec at St Mary's

One of the most important ways of getting ready for Jesus' coming is by making a really good confession. We will have a penance service at St Mary's Catholic church in Poole with several priests present. Come along and cleanse your heart for Christmas!

Missio Boxes at OLF

After 10 years I have now decided to retire from collecting the Missio Red Boxes. It has been a pleasure to collect the donations from the wonderful people of our Parish. You will be notified of the new collector in due course. Thank you for your help and God bless you all. *Ralph Williams*

Sudan Babies' Christmas Appeal

The Christmas Appeal will be for the SVP programme in war torn Sudan. £50 will feed a baby for 1 year; without this programme babies will starve. A white bucket will be available during the next few weeks at each parish for the collection. Many thanks.

St Padre Pio Prayer Group

Will meet after the 10am Mass on Wednesday 5th December - with Rosary and Benediction. All are welcome; please come and pray for all your needs and in thanksgiving.

Hunger Lunch at St. Joseph's after 12 noon Mass

Join us for a simple lunch, with a festive theme, to raise funds for CAFOD. Feel free to bring a Christmas cracker.

Mothers' Prayers at St. Joseph's Church Hall in the meeting room on Friday 7th December at 3pm

Come to pray for your child, godchild, niece, nephew or children of friends. You will be given a booklet of prayers. At the first meeting, we will see if another day or time is more convenient for everyone.

Christmas Fundraising at St. Joseph's Saturday 8th /Sunday 9th December after both Masses.

There will be a raffle for a Christmas Hamper, mulled wine, mince pies and lots of stalls! Craft for the children, who will be invited to decorate a Christmas tree; please bring a decoration. We desperately need donations for the raffle and bottle stall and lots of chocolate, boxes, bars or tins of sweets. These can be left at the office. Raffle tickets on sale from after Mass. The hall will be open from **2pm on Saturday 8th** to enable stall holders to set up. Many thanks. *Edgar & Claire*

Our Lady of Fatima Christmas Draw & Cake Sale 9th Dec

Children's Lucky dip £1; Hot mince pie and coffee £1. Prizes for the raffle gratefully appreciated. Contact Chris Turner if you need items collected on 07711 909099. Tickets available at both churches.

Senior Citizens Party at St. Joseph's School Hall Friday 14th December at 2pm; Senior Citizens Party at St. Edwards School Tuesday 18th December. See posters on schools board in Church

Christmas Day Lunch at St. Joseph's Hall

There will be lunch on Christmas Day in the hall. Please sign up in the Narthex if you wish to join us!

Parish Pilgrimage to Medjugorje.

5th – 12th June 2019 (Gatwick to Dubrovnik) £569

Please put your initials on the poster in the Narthex if you would like to go.

Poole Hospital Annual Carol Service - Tuesday 18th. December 7.30 pm at St. Mary's Church

The Chaplaincy Department of Poole Hospital invite you to join them for the Poole Hospital Annual Carol Service. The Preacher will be Bishop Karen Gorham and Carols will be led by Barclay's House Choir and The Flute Group. Please join us for refreshment afterwards. See poster in the church for more information.

Advent Day of Recollection at St. Ritas's Centre Honiton Saturday 15th December 10:30am-4:30pm led by Fr Barry Hallett

£25pp which includes lunch. More details on the notice board in the Church or stritascentre.org.uk or telephone 01404 42635 to book your place.

Reaching the Unreached

£2,702.00 was raised from our Annual sponsored walk. This will pay for two bore wells to be sunk and provide much needed water to remote villages. Thank you for your wonderful support. There is a certificate of thanks from RTU on the notice board. God Bless. *John Duffy*

Fire Exit Door in the Hall

We found the door left open on Monday morning. Could you please ensure that if you are the last to leave the hall, you check that the door is locked **from the inside**. *It is not possible to lock it from the outside*. Our insurance will not be valid if the worst happens.

Christmas Cards & Gifts and Calendars

Support your church, by buying your cards and gifts from us. We have a lovely selection at both churches.

Thank you for the generosity that St Joseph's and Our Lady of Fatima's parishes showed to Beyond the Wild! We hope to see some of your young people out in the wild on one of our courses one day! Please be assured of our prayers.

Will Hince & the Beyond the Wild team

www.beyondthewild.org

The joy of really waiting...



What are the most popular advent calendars? Star Wars Lego? Mini flavoured gin bottles?



Perhaps we should be pleased the world of merchandise follows our lead as Christians, even if it has absolutely no idea what advent calendars are really for! Because with these 'advent' calendars there's not too much waiting – they **already** have Christmas presents in them.

There's no doubt that looking forward to something definitely appeals to us all. It's why Advent is such a powerful time. There just seems to be something inside us that automatically longs with hope, for the light, for JESUS!

That longing is reflected in this Sunday's readings:

"See the days are coming – it is the Lord who speaks – when I am going to fulfil the promise I made to the House of Israel."

"May the Lord confirm your hearts in holiness ... for when Our Lord Jesus Christ comes with all his saints."

"And then they will see the Son of Man coming in a cloud with power and great glory...Hold your heads high because your liberation is near at hand."

Jesus warns us against drunkenness and debauchery while we wait. Please God there isn't too much drunkenness and debauchery in our two parishes!

But perhaps we do need reminding that Advent *is not a time of feasting. We are not celebrating Christmas yet. We wait for the twelve days of Christmas for that (even if everyone else has peaked too early and is tired of celebrating...)*

So let's *wait* patiently and joyfully for our celebrations and - apart from the odd mince pie - *keep our celebrations for when Jesus has actually arrived.* It makes the waiting all the more meaningful, spiritual - and truly joyful.

