

## ST. LAWRENCE OF CANTERBURY R C CHURCH NEWSLETTER

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### FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT - YEAR A - 18TH DECEMBER 2022

*(Psalter Week 4)*

Entrance Antiphon: ***Drop down dew from above, you heavens, and let the clouds rain down the Just One; let the earth be opened and bring forth a Saviour.***

*Responsorial Psalm: Let the Lord enter! He is the king of glory.*

Communion Antiphon: ***Behold, a Virgin shall conceive and bear a son; and his name will be called Emmanuel.***

The Sacrament of Penance is available on Saturday mornings from 11am until the final confession and before and after Mass on Saturday evening and by prior arrangement.

Divine Mercy Devotion after Mass on Wednesdays.

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament on Fridays 10am to 12noon.

Saturday morning prayer starts at 8:45am followed by the rosary and then Mass.

Parish Prayer Group meet at 2:30pm on Mondays in the Upper room of the Hall.

Big Picture Bible Course on Thursdays at 7pm in the Upper room during term time.

Envelopes for Christmas Offerings for your Parish Priests are available at the back of the Church.

Fr. Allan and myself will be praying for you and your loved ones this Christmas and we thank you for all the support you have given us over this year.

May you have a happy, holy and peaceful Christmas.

God bless you all.

**Fr. Paul.**

## MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT

<b>Saturday 17th December</b>	<b>Fourth Sunday of Advent - Year A</b>
6.30pm	John Somerset RIP
<b>Sunday 18th December</b>	<b>Fourth Sunday of Advent - Year A</b>
8.30am	William Doyle RIP
10.00am	The People of the Parish
11.30am	John Simpson RIP
<b>Monday 19th December</b>	<b>Feria</b>
9.30am	Lawrie Cronin RIP
<b>Tuesday 20th December</b>	<b>Feria</b>
9.45am	Mary McDonnell RIP
<b>Wednesday 21st December</b>	<b>Feria</b>
9.30am	John Somerset RIP
<b>Thursday 22nd December</b>	<b>Funeral Masses</b>
9.30am	Funeral Mass of Lavinia Cissie O'Reilly RIP
2.00pm	Funeral Mass of Anthony Charles Beare RIP
<b>Friday 23rd December</b>	<b>Feria</b>
9.30am	Ann Marie Pinto RIP

## SOLEMNITY OF THE NATIVITY OF THE LORD - 25TH DECEMBER 2022

*(Psalter Week 1)*

### Vigil Mass

Entrance Antiphon: ***Today you will know that the Lord will come, and he will save us, and in the morning you will see his glory.***

Responsorial Psalm: ***I will sing for ever of your love, O Lord.***

Communion Antiphon: ***The glory of the Lord will be revealed, and all flesh will see the salvation of our God.***

### Midnight Mass

Entrance Antiphon: ***Let us all rejoice in the Lord, for our Saviour has been born in the world. Today true peace has come down to us from heaven.***

Antiphon: ***Today a saviour has been born to us; he is Christ the Lord.***

Communion Antiphon: ***The Word became flesh, and we have seen his glory.***

## MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE SEASON OF CHRISTMAS

<b>Saturday 24th December</b>	<b>Christmas Eve</b>
5.30pm	Anne and John Smyth RIP
11.00pm	Service of Carols and Readings
Midnight	Menino Pinto RIP
<b>Sunday 25th December</b>	<b>Solemnity of the Nativity of the Lord</b>
8.30am	The People of the Parish
10.00am	James Brown RIP
<b>Monday 26th December</b>	<b>Saint Stephen, Deacon, the first Martyr</b>
9.30am	Robert Bartlett RIP
<b>Tuesday 27th December</b>	<b>Saint John, Apostle and Evangelist</b>
9.45am	Robert Bartlett RIP
<b>Wednesday 28th December</b>	<b>Feast of the Holy Innocents, Martyrs</b>
9.30am	Paul Pinto RIP
<b>Thursday 29th December</b>	<b>St. Thomas Becket, Bishop and Martyr</b>
9.30am	Maeve Mullaney RIP
<b>Friday 30th December</b>	<b>The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph</b>
9.30am	Vonnie Quinn RIP
<b>Saturday 31st December</b>	<b>Christmas Octave</b>
9.30am	Evelyn Madden RIP

## SOLEMNITY OF THE NATIVITY OF THE LORD - 25TH DECEMBER 2022

*(Psalter Week 1)*

### First Morning Mass

Entrance Antiphon: ***Today a light will shine upon us, for the Lord is born for us; and he will be called Wondrous God, Prince of peace, Father of future ages: and his reign will be without end.***

Responsorial Psalm: ***This day new light will shine upon the earth: the Lord is born for us.***

Communion Antiphon: ***Rejoice, O Daughter Sion; lift up praise, Daughter Jerusalem: Behold, your King will come, the Holy One and Saviour of the world.***

### Second Morning Mass

Entrance Antiphon: ***A child is born for us, and a son is given to us; his sceptre of power rests upon his shoulder, and his name will be called Messenger of great counsel.***

Responsorial Psalm: ***All the ends of the earth have seen the salvation of our God.***

Communion Antiphon: ***All the ends of the earth have seen the salvation of our God.***

## MASS INTENTIONS FOR NEW YEAR WEEK

<b>Saturday 31st December</b> 6.30pm	<b>Solemnity of Mary, The Holy Mother of God</b> John Somerset RIP
<b>Sunday 1st January</b> 8.30am 10.00am 11.30am	<b>Solemnity of Mary, The Holy Mother of God</b> The People of the Parish Gino Lissette RIP Janina Basiaga RIP
<b>Monday 2nd January</b> 9.30am	<b>Saints Basil the Great and Gregory Nazianzen</b> Intention of Crissie Bradley
<b>Tuesday 3rd January</b> 9.45am	<b>The Most Holy Name of Jesus</b> Intention of Kathleen O'Dwyer
<b>Wednesday 4th January</b> 9.30am	<b>Weekday of Christmas</b> Intention of Margaret Pastel
<b>Thursday 5th January</b> 9.30am	<b>Weekday of Christmas</b> Jennie Healy RIP
<b>Thursday 5th January</b> <b>Vigil Mass - 7.30pm</b>	<b>Solemnity of the Epiphany of The Lord</b> Intentions of Caroline and Joshua Oliech's Family
<b>Friday 6th January</b> 9.30am	<b>Solemnity of the Epiphany of The Lord</b> The People of the Parish
<b>Saturday 7th January</b> 9.30am	<b>Weekday after Epiphany</b> Orazio Provenza RIP

### SOLEMNITY OF MARY, THE HOLY MOTHER OF GOD - 1ST JANUARY 2023

*(Psalter Week 2)*

Entrance Antiphon: ***Hail, Holy Mother, who gave birth to the King who rules heaven and earth for ever.***

Responsorial Psalm: ***O God, be gracious and bless us.***

Communion Antiphon: ***Jesus Christ is the same yesterday, today, and for ever.***

### SOLEMNITY OF THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD - 6TH JANUARY 2023

#### Vigil Mass

Entrance Antiphon: ***Arise, Jerusalem, and look to the East and see your children gathered from the rising to the setting of the sun.***

Communion Antiphon: ***The brightness of God illumined the holy city Jerusalem, and the nations will walk by its light.***

#### Morning Mass

Entrance Antiphon: ***Behold, the Lord, the Mighty One, has come; and kingship is in his grasp, and power and dominion.***

Communion Antiphon: ***We have seen his star in the East, and have come with gifts to adore the Lord.***