



THE CATHEDRAL CHURCH OF ST MARIE
with the Churches of Holy Family
and Our Lady Queen of Heaven & St Oswald



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Office Hours: Monday–Friday, 9.00am–12.30pm & 1.30–4.30pm

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2nd Sunday of Advent (A)

4th to 11th December 2022

Readings: *I* Isa 11:1-10 *Ps* 71:2, 7-8, 12-13, 17. *R̥* cf. 7 *II* Rom 15:4-9 *G* Mt 2:1-12

Next Sunday: *I* Isa 35:1-6a, 10 *Ps* 145:7, 8-9a, 9bc-10. *R̥* cf. Isa 35:4 *II* Jas 5:7-10 *G* Mt 11:2-11

Cathedral

Sunday 4: 2nd Sunday of Advent

8.00am Parish Sick List
10.30am Terry Burke (anniversary)
12.30pm November Memorial List
6.30pm Lucy Hazell (intentions)

Monday 5: Monday in Week 2 of Advent

8.00am November Memorial List
12.30pm Sylvie & Gerard (special intention)
5.30pm Rev Fr John Windle (recently deceased)

Tuesday 6: Tuesday in Week 2 of Advent

8.00am November Memorial List
12.30pm John O'Malley (birthday anniversary)
5.30pm Ron Ashworth (R.I.P.)

Wednesday 7: St Ambrose

8.00am Rev Fr Edward Stawarz (R.I.P.)
12.30pm Irene Raszyk (recently deceased)

Wed 7: IMMACULATE CONCEPTION OF THE B.V.M. (Vigil)

5.30pm November Memorial List

Thursday 8: IMMACULATE CONCEPTION OF THE B.V.M.

8.00am People of the Parishes
12.30pm Mavis & Tracy Watson
5.30pm Veronique Adje & Alfred Amian-Boni (R.I.P.)

Friday 9: Friday in Week 2 of Advent

8.00am Lucy Hazell (intentions)
12.30pm George family (intentions)
5.30pm November Memorial List

Saturday 10: Saturday in Week 2 of Advent

8.00am George family (intentions)
12.30pm Maureen Foster (R.I.P.)

Next Weekend – Cathedral

Sunday 11: 3rd Sunday of Advent

8.00am People of the Parishes
10.30am Special intention (Wanda K.P.)
12.30pm Danuta Łuczycka Jakubiec (R.I.P.)
6.30pm Rev Fr John Windle (recently deceased)

Our Lady Queen of Heaven & St Oswald

Sunday 4: 2nd Sunday of Advent

9.15am Emmanuel Chukwuemeka

Sunday 11: 3rd Sunday of Advent

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Holy Family

Sunday 4: 2nd Sunday of Advent

10.30am People of the Parishes

Sunday 11: 3rd Sunday of Advent

10.30am Parish Intentions

Svätá Omša v slovenčine (Slovak Mass) – Cathedral

Sunday 4: 2. adventná nedeľa

3.00pm Parish Intentions

Sunday 11: 3. adventná nedeľa

3.00pm Parish Intentions

Sacrament of Confession	<i>Monday–Tuesday & Thursday–Saturday: 11.30am–12.15pm</i>
Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament	<i>Mon–Tue & Thu–Sat: 11.30am–12.15pm</i> <i>Saturday: after 8.00am Mass (with Benediction)</i>
Rosary	<i>Friday & Saturday: after the 12.30pm Mass</i>
Monthly Holy Hour	<i>2nd Wednesday of the month, 7.00-8.00pm (next one 14th December)</i>
Monthly Prayer Group	<i>4th Wednesday of the month, 7.00-8.00pm (next one 28th December)</i>

We pray for Josipa Korbar, Rev Fr John Windle, and all those who have died recently.

Please remember in your prayers our sick: Phyllis Caesar, Jackie Davison, Mavis Hamilton, Marie Casey, Ann Harvey, Trevor Harvey, Nora Kenny, Maura Hallam, Rev Fr Colum Kelly, John Carroll, Robert Stocks, Gloria Welsh, Anthony Gallagher, Christopher Browne, Clifford Browne, Helen Carroll, Mary Pridgeon, Kath Atherton, Pat O'Connor (Lintott), Elizabeth Dillop, Kay Worsnop, Vladimir Korbar Jr, Jean Hegarty, Rima Lattash, Margaret & John Whitehead, Catherine, Angela Eddy, Mary Parkinson, Kevin Worsnop, Liam, Dee Wright, Emma Green, Damian Osako, Patricia Allen, Mary Worsnop, Jean Rogers (flowers), Kingsley Owomero, and all those who are suffering mentally, emotionally or physically.

Names will stay on the list for 3 months. Please contact Cathedral House if you wish your friend or family member to be included.

Anniversaries this Week: 4 Dec – Terry Burke; 5 Dec – Rev Fr Reginald Bessler; 6 Dec – Rev Fr Constantine Dolan; 8 Dec – Christiana Ojinnaka, Rev Fr Michael Walsh, C.M., Rev Fr John Serjeant; 9 Dec – John Gerard Lloyd.

Health & Safety Matters: If you wish to raise any issues regarding health and safety at St Marie's, please e-mail Catherine Bailey at healthandsafety@stmariecathedral.org.

Each Sunday after the 10.30am Mass there is an opportunity to get together with other parishioners over a cup of coffee or tea. This is an important way of building and strengthening the parish community, so please join us, whether you are a regular member of the congregation or a visitor. Refreshments are served in the Houlden Hall (1st floor of the building next door to the church), and we look forward to getting to know you better – all welcome!

Children's Liturgy during Advent—Sundays, at 10.30am: We are currently learning a new song for Advent – O Mary, Mother of God. If you would like to practice it at home, please look it up on our Children's Ministry webpage! All children are welcome to join in with our Children's Liturgy of the Word; please meet Candida at the Baptismal Font at the start of Mass, or ring the bell for Houlden Hall if you are running slightly late. You can find our Children's Ministry page under the Mass & Worship section of the website: <https://stmariecathedral.org/mass-worship/childrens-ministry/>

The PPC will next meet on Tuesday 6th December: If you would like to bring anything to the PPC's attention, or would like to come along to the meeting, please contact Niall on PPC@stmariecathedral.org.

A Birthday Party for Jesus—4th Sunday of Advent, after the 10.30am Mass: Children's Liturgy will be holding a Birthday Party for Jesus on the 4th Sunday of Advent, straight after the 10:30am Mass. Children are encouraged to come along on that morning in their nativity costumes or party dress. Please bring a contribution of food for the party if you can, and help us to make this a wonderful celebration of the birth of Jesus!

Advent calendars and candles are available in the book shop please take a look. There are Sunday missals for the liturgical year 2022-2023 very good value at £9.95. There is also a good selection of Christmas cards.

First Holy Communion Programme: This year's First Holy Communion programme will begin in January 2023. All children who are in Year 3 and above are eligible to join the course. There will be a registration meeting on **Saturday 10th December at 4.00pm in Houlden Hall**, for all children and parents, at which more information about the course will be given.

Ring for the King at St Marie's Cathedral: Bell ringers across the country are making plans to "Ring for the King" on the day of his coronation, Saturday 6th May, 2023—and we need your help. Although there are about 6,000 churches across the British Isles, with a total of nearly 38,000 bells, there are only 30,000 bell ringers—many of whom ring at more than one tower. St Marie's is one of only a handful of Catholic churches with a ring of bells and we currently have fewer ringers in our congregation than bells in the tower. If we are to ring our bells in celebration of the coronation, we need to recruit more ringers from our congregation now in order for them to be ready to ring next May. Bell ringing is a great way to make new friends, take gentle physical and mental exercise and connect with the community. If you would like to learn to ring at St Marie's in time to "Ring for the King", contact Bob Rae (tel. 07710 116701; e-mail bob.rae@stmariecathedral.org).

Lessons and Carols at St Marie's Cathedral—Saturday 17th December: on the evening of Saturday 17th December, starting at 6.30pm, there will be a liturgy of Lessons and Carols here at St Marie's Cathedral. All are welcome!

Easyfundraising is a great website that people use to help raise money for St Marie's Cathedral simply by shopping online. When you use it, brands such as eBay, John Lewis, Argos and ASOS make a small donation to say 'thank you', and *easyfundraising* gives those free funds to the cause. Please register online via <https://bit.ly/3Ec9P7d>. Once you've raised your first £10, *easyfundraising* will double it! There's no catch or hidden charges and St Marie's will be really grateful for your donations. It is a really easy process that can benefit the parish if you are shopping, buying insurance or tickets on line anyway. So far between us we have raised over £200 for the parish this way. If you would like to know more, please e-mail finance1889@gmail.com.

Women's Group meeting every Thursday, 11.00am, in the Parish Room: The Thursday Women's Group is an opportunity for women of all ages, and all walks of life, to come together for friendship, companionship and discussion. It is a very informal group that exists simply to meet the needs of the women attending. It is a safe place where we can discuss whatever is on our minds—including our faith—and has also been the birth-place of many creative ideas! If you would like to give it a try, please come along and meet us by the piano in the Cathedral just before 11.00am. The group concludes in time for the lunchtime Mass.

A Message from the Flower Team: Just a reminder that during Advent there are no flowers in church, as our focus is on the Advent Wreath and Candles. However, we want to thank all the kind and generous people who have both given donations and brought flowers during the last year. We would welcome gifts of flowers and donations again during the week before Christmas.

Would you like to receive this Newsletter by email? The PPC send out the weekly Newsletter by email to anyone who would like it. If you haven't already registered to do this, and would like to receive the Newsletter this way, please let the PPC know on PPC@stmariecathedral.org. Thank you!

Sharing the results of the Power of Prayer: A lady from the Anglican Cathedral popped in this week to share some good news about a couple called Bill & Jean. Bill was taken very seriously ill with acute appendicitis brought on by a tumour. Since he is a Catholic, our Anglican friend came in and requested a Mass to be said for him, while she galvanised some friends at the Anglican Cathedral to also pray for him. She reports that when he went in to have his appendix removed, they could find no trace of his appendix what so ever! Not only that, but the tumour was found to be dormant, so they are now leaving it well alone. Bill's health is now so improved that he's back in his allotment again, digging – at 78 years of age! We give you thanks and praise, O Lord, for all the wonderful healing taking place in our city! Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit, as it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, world without end. Amen. Alleluia!

Christian Village of St Marie's—Talk and Social this Saturday, 3rd December, 6.00pm: This weekend's CVSM talk and social will take place this Saturday at 6.00pm, in Houlden Hall (just above the Nottingham Building Society). The theme is 'The wrong direction with Jonah'. This event is suitable for absolutely everyone, so please join us if you can!

Sheffield Bach Choir will perform Handel's *Messiah* in Sheffield Cathedral at 7.00pm on Monday 5th December. Tickets are £16 for adults, with concessions £13 and accompanied children free, and are available on the door or from www.wegotickets.com (includes a 10% booking fee). A good way to meditate on Christmas and the whole liturgical year! More information at <https://sheffieldbachchoir.com/sheffield-bach-choir/current-season-concerts/>

Security

Be aware that thieves operate in the city centre so keep handbags & valuables with you at all times when in Church

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