

The Art of Dying Well invites individuals to post pictures or memories of loved ones who are dying or who have already died, or of others who come to mind who may have no one to pray for them, on their Instagram or Twitter accounts (@artofdyingwell). By tagging @ArtofDyingWell with #RememberThem, the photos and names of these individuals will be shared with five convents and abbeys who will remember and pray for them. For more information, please visit the Art of Dying Well website www.artofdyingwell.org

Catholic Singles is an organisation which helps single Catholics of all ages (over 18 years) meet other single Catholics, either one to one or through social events. For further information visit www.catholicingles.org.uk or tel. 0161 941 3498

Pope Francis and the Evangelising Mission of the Church with Brian Purfield. This talk will explore some of the key themes of the papacy of Pope Francis, with particular focus on the theme of evangelisation and the Pope's call for a Church of missionary disciples and a renewed personal encounter with Jesus Christ. **When:** Tue 12th Dec '17, 7:00-8:30pm **Where:** Vaughan House, 46 Francis Street, London SW1P 1QN Registration is required. Email at livingfaith@rcdow.org.uk and indicate your name and the date of the event. If you do not have an access to the Internet, please leave a voice message at 020 7931 6078. Suggested donation £4 per talk.

Repository: Christmas cards, First Communion and Confirmation cards and books, Lourdes holy water, rosaries, books of prayers for children and other items on sale in the repository. Why not take a look? All items are good value and inexpensive.

The Divine Mercy Retreat scheduled for Saturday 9 December has been cancelled.

Christmas Cheer: Each year Churches Together in Golders Green gives out a hot drink, a croissant and pack of Christmas service times at Golders Green tube station from 7am to 9am on two days. This year the days are Monday and Tuesday 18 and 19 December. If you could give some time in the morning to help, please speak to Deacon Anthony.

St Edward's Annual Carol Service will take place on Sunday 17th December at 7.30pm and Hot Punch and Mince Pies will be served in the hall after the Service. Everyone Welcome

Hire of the hall: it may be possible to use the parish hall for private parties. Applications should be made by sending an email to the parish address.

- **New to the parish?:** please complete one of the blue registration cards and return to Fr Tony
- **In case you are admitted to hospital:** In light of data protection, please indicate on entering hospital that your details are to be passed to the RC Chaplain. Also state that you would like the RC Chaplain to visit you.
- **School forms:** For parents who wish Fr Tony to sign their priest's reference form: please telephone or email to arrange an appointment.
- **Getting Married:** couples are reminded that six months' notice is required for a wedding, either in this country or abroad.

St Edward the Confessor

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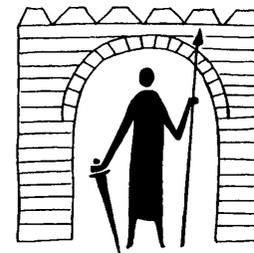
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First Sunday of Advent Year B 3rd December 2017



In Advent we contemplate the coming of Jesus. Today he comes to us in the message of his word and in the sacrament which we celebrate in the Eucharist. We stand alert and ready so that we may not miss what he brings today as we await his final coming in glory.

Texts for this Sunday's Mass

Isaiah 63:16-17; 64:1.3-8 *Oh that you would tear the heavens open and come down.*

Psalm response: *God of hosts, bring us back; let your face shine on us and we shall be saved.*

1 Corinthians 1:3-9 *We are waiting for our Lord Jesus Christ to be revealed.*

Mark 13:33-37 *Stay awake, because you do not know when the master of the house is coming.*

Sunday Mass times

Saturday 6.30pm (Vigil), 9am, 10.30am, 12.15pm, 6pm

MASS SCHEDULE			
<u>Sunday 3rd</u>	9am	Mr E Uriarte thanksgiving	
1ST SUNDAY OF	10.30am	Elizabeth Alzano Mayes	
ADVENT YEAR B	12.15pm	Irena Garman	
	6pm	People of the Parish	
<u>Monday 4th</u>	10am	Cuozzo family	
<u>Tuesday 5th</u>	10am	Charles Sagayam	
<u>Wednesday 6th</u>	10am	Holy Souls	
	2pm	Funeral: George Neale	
<u>Thursday 7th</u>	10am	Holy Souls	
St Ambrose			
<u>Friday 8th</u>			
IMMACULATE	10am	Margaret Valerie Karunaratne	
CONCEPTION OF THE BVM			
<u>Saturday 9th</u>	10am	Holy Souls	
	6.30pm	People of the Parish	
<u>Sunday 10th</u>	9am	Eria Hara Ortiz	
2ND SUNDAY OF	10.30am	Chai Wen Ci	
ADVENT YEAR B	12.15pm	Bill Edwards	6pm
		People of the Parish	

Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession): Saturdays 10.30-11am, 5.30 - 6pm (5-6pm during Lent) and on request.

Divine Mercy Hour Saturdays at 3pm.

- **Mass Intentions:** please write the intention on the front of an envelope with your own name and preferred date and give to Fr Tony. The week's intentions will be printed in the newsletter (as above) and the intentions for the current month will be posted in the porch.
- **Items for the newsletter** should reach the presbytery by Thursday 6pm, either by post or by email (goldersgreen@rcdow.org.uk).
- Want to receive the newsletter by email? Give us your email address.

BAPTISM COURSE

The next Baptism Course (2 sessions) will be *on Monday 29 and Tuesday 30 January 2018. Application forms in the porch (yellow).*

Collection Weekend 25/26 November 2017

Envelopes	1,126.23
Loose	852.10
Standing orders	<u>350</u>
Total	£2,328.33

Visiting: Between now and Christmas I'll be visiting the First Communion families - Fr Tony

Christmas Market will be held this weekend at the Saturday evening and Sunday morning Masses. The Market will be in the porch and the Parish Room (during the Coffee Morning) and there will be a variety of Christmas goods and preserves. Proceeds to the Morogoro Project and Diocesan charities.

RCIA Rite of Welcome will take place at the 6.30pm Mass on **Saturday 9 December.**

Food Bank this weekend.



Immaculate Conception

We celebrate this feast of Our Lady on Friday 8th December. Mass at 10am.

READ OF THE MONTH December 2017

36 Days & 36 Ways Daily Meditations from Advent to the Epiphany - Year B By: [Dom Henry Wansbrough OSB](#) During the holy seasons of Advent and Christmas, the Church puts before us special readings for each day, helping us to celebrate the coming of Christ. This booklet gives the biblical references and a few verses of the readings for each of the 36 days of Advent and Christmas, to the Epiphany. They include the four Sundays of Advent that are special for Year B. The reflections delve deep into the meaning of the Christmas story, moving from the themes of waiting and mystery to the joy of the incarnation and the redemption. The passage for each day ends with a suggestion on how the reader might put the spirit of Christmas into action in celebrating the coming of Christ - not just as a world-changing event that happened over 2,000 years ago, but as something which changes our own lives here and now. **This booklet will be available on the window sill near the CTS stand for £1 each during December.**

Saturdays in Advent

Saturday 16 December

4.30-6pm Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, ending with a simple Benediction at 6pm
Confessions will be heard by Fr Terry Tastard

Saturday 23 December

4.30-6pm Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, ending with a simple Benediction at 6pm
Confessions will be heard by Fr Noel Travers