



## OUR LADY & ST BENEDICT'S CHURCH NEWSLETTER

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**14 - 15 December 2019**

**Gaudete Sunday**

### Third Sunday of Advent

Please pray for the sick of our Parish and also for those who care for them.

*Lately Dead: Nail Hyder Joy Dyer, Judy Ellis.*

*Anniversaries coming up: George Evans Frances Barrett, Elsie Ashcroft, Raymond Saunders, Josephine Thomas Joseph Mahon, Mary O'Donnell, Christine Hands, James Ross and Edna Goodfellow, May they rest in Peace*

Confession – Saturday, 12 noon – 1 pm

Rosary – 9.45 am – before Sunday Mass.

**Joy Dyer (RIP) Funeral Mass 12.00 Friday 20<sup>th</sup> December St Saviours Catholic Church Broadway**  
Joy with Freddie were for many years involved in our Parish Committee

### Collections 7/8 December 2019

**First collection**  
Gift aid £218.50  
Loose £128.96  
Total £347.46

Second collection poor parishes  
Total: £169.82



### Second Collection This Week Church Flowers

**Could anyone interested in counting or banking for the parish please reach out. Speak to Fr Damian or Christine Moulder**

Lectionary Cycle: – Year A Third Sunday of Advent Prayer of The Church – 3			
Sat 14th Dec	<b>Mass: Memorial of St. John of the Cross, Priest</b>	9.15am	St Benedict's
	<b>Vigil Mass 3<sup>rd</sup> Week in Advent</b> Norah Burke (RIP)	5.30pm	St Nicholas
Sun 15 <sup>th</sup> Dec	<b>Mass Third Week in Advent:</b> (Baby Freya Chapman (RIP	10.00am	St Benedict's
Mon 16 <sup>th</sup> Dec	<b>Mass: Advent Feria : Mary and Bill Johnson RIP</b>	9.00am	St Benedict's
Tue 17 <sup>th</sup> Dec	<b>Advent Feria No Mass: Penitential Service</b>	6.30pm	St Benedict's
Wed 18 <sup>th</sup> Dec	<b>Advent Feria: Jacqueline Freeman Wallace RIP</b>	9.15 am	St Benedict's
Thur 19 <sup>th</sup> Dec	<b>Mass: Advent Feria:</b>	9.15am	St Benedict's
Fri 20 <sup>th</sup> Dec	<b>Mass: Advent Feria:</b>	9.15am	St Benedict's
Sat 21 <sup>st</sup> Dec	<b>Mass: Advent Feria: Commemoration of St Peter Cainsus Priest Doctor of Church.</b>	9.15am	St Benedict's
	<b>Vigil Mass Fourth Week in Advent</b>	5.30pm	St Nicholas
Sund 22 <sup>nd</sup> Dec	<b>Mass Fourth Week in Advent: Rita Carney RIP</b>	10.00am	St Benedict's

### Church Flowers

The second collection this weekend 14<sup>th</sup> & 15<sup>th</sup> December is for our Christmas decorations and church flowers. I am sure you will all agree the flower team are doing an amazing job and the flowers for Harvest and Remembrance Day were outstanding.

### Christmas Penitential Service

On 17<sup>th</sup> December we will be holding our Christmas Penitential Service at 6.30. Fr Damian will be joined by another Priest from the Deanery. Please do come along.

## Altar Servers Guild of St Stephen Enrolment

This Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> December we will be enrolling our Altar Servers into the Guild of St Stephen at the 10.00 mass to recognise their commitment to our services at Our lady and St Benedict's.

## Christmas Gifts

This year, the Parish Committee have decided it would be nice to support The Stratford Food Bank with gifts under the tree made up of seasonal delights, toiletries, pampering products and feminine hygiene items as well as the usual long - life foods. Please make sure the items have a long shelf life especially if they are baked seasonal goods such as Christmas puddings as we cannot guarantee the date they will be served. Opened items cannot be accepted. There are some boxes at the front of Church for your unwrapped gifts

## St Peter's Ecumenical Christmas Service 15<sup>th</sup> December at 4pm, followed by refreshments.

Please join Father and some of our readers at this special service when we come together with other local churches to celebrate the season of good will!

## Christmas At Home.


Annette is Organising again her very popular "At Home" on Friday 20<sup>th</sup> December 2.30. The Lanterns Featherbed Lane. As usual there will be carols and Mince Pies to prepare for the great feast of Christmas

## Christmas Eve Carols, Mass, followed by Mulled wine and Mince Pies.

Please come and join us on Christmas eve for these celebrations of the Lords birth.

## Aspiring and Existing School leaders working outside the Faith Sector

The Diocesan Education Service are offering a one-day course on Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> January 2020 at Don Bosco House for those who are interested in applying for a leadership post in a Catholic School. Please contact Charlotte Kirby [c.kirby@bdes.org.uk](mailto:c.kirby@bdes.org.uk) to book a place.

		Our lady and St Benedict's Christmas Services 2019	
Tuesday 17 <sup>th</sup> Dec	Our Lady and St Benedict's	Christmas Penitential Service	6.30
Tuesday 24 <sup>th</sup> Dec	Our Lady & St Benedict's	Parish Carol Service Mass of Vigil for the Nativity off The Lord Collection for Parish Clergy Mince pies and Mulled Wine	7.30 8.00
Wednesday 25 <sup>th</sup> Dec	St Nicholas	Mass of the Nativity off The Lord Collection for Parish Clergy	08.30
Wednesday 25 <sup>th</sup> Dec	Our Lady & St Benedict	Mass of The Nativity of the Lord Collection for Parish Clergy Children's Liturgy	10.00
Thursday 26 <sup>th</sup> Dec	Our Lady & St Benedict	Feast of St Stephen      Mass	10.00

Compiled By	John Burke	Eucharistic Ministers	Readers
14 <sup>th</sup> Dec	St Nicholas	Mary Clarke, Ann Platt	Liz Showell
15 <sup>th</sup> Dec	Our Lady & St Benedict	Victoria Neville, Adriano Fernandes	Maria Hodgson
21 <sup>st</sup> Dec	St Nicholas	Lynn Goodfellow, Collette Gay	John Burke
22 <sup>nd</sup> Dec	Our Lady & St Benedict	John Treacy, Cath Middleton	Tim Cooke

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