

HOLY REDEEMER PARISH NEWSLETTER

08th December 2019 – 2nd Sunday of Advent

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SERVICES THIS WEEK

Sunday	08 th Dec	<u>Second Week of Advent</u> 9.00am Lily Mascarenhas Thanksgiving 90 th Birthday, George Theodore recently deceased. Oscar Amog. 11.00am John (Jack) Hartnett (1 st year Anniv)
Monday	09 th Dec	9.00 am Mass
Tuesday	10 th Dec	9.15 am School Mass
Wednesday	11 th Dec	7.15 pm Liturgy of the Word/Holy Communion
Thursday	12 th Dec	9.00 am Mass
Friday	13 th Dec	9.00 am Mass
Sunday	15 th Dec	<u>Third Week of Advent</u> 9.00am People of the Parish 11.00am People of the Parish

Collections

Loose £338.53 Envelopes £392.80 **Total £731.33** S/orders £198.75.

Many thanks for your kind generosity.

Women of Grace – Children's Christmas Party Sat 14th December

This will take place at St Paul's Church Hall, Stoke Road, Slough SL2 5AS from 3.00pm to 5.00pm. Admission is £1 per child and children must be accompanied by a parent or carer. Tickets are available after both 9.00 and 11.00 Mass up until 8th Dec. Please buy your child's ticket in advance so they have an idea of how many to cater for. The proceeds will be donated to a local charity. Please contact Emma on 07456 519522 for further details.

Christmas Gifts for London and Slough Homeless

As in previous years, we will be collecting gift bags for the homeless, and would ask that you bring your bags to the meeting room on Sunday 15th Dec by 12.00. These will then be

distributed by St Joseph's at Gerrards Cross on Monday 16th Dec. Please pick up the flier at the back of the Church listing the contents to be included in the bag, please also mark the wrapped gift with **M for male or F for female**. Thank you on behalf of the Homeless for both your caring and continued generosity.

Church Christmas Flowers

There will be a second collection towards the cost of flowers for Christmas on the 3rd Sunday of Advent 15th December at both masses. This is in connection with the recent appeal for our support in any small way to assist with Church expenses and an ideal opportunity to help towards the cost of buying flowers for the Church this Christmas.

Children needed for Children's Nativity 24th December

There has been a children's nativity performed every year for the last 12 years here at Holy Redeemer. Emma is asking for more children to come forward and be involved in this year's Nativity play and for parents and carers to bring them along for rehearsals. This year the Nativity will be performed on 24th Dec during the Carol service before the Christmas Eve Mass. Rehearsals are every week after the Sunday 11.00 Mass from 12.15 - 1.15 pm. These sessions are open to all children and young people who want to be involved and any adults that would like to assist. A preview will be performed at the Children's Christmas Party on the 14th December. Please contact Emma if you wish to get involved.

Christmas Raffle

We have a range of wonderful and varied prizes in our Christmas raffle this year, from an M & S Hamper, a case of superb French wines, a Laphroaig single malt whisky, boxes of Swiss chocolates, Body shop gift sets, a designer personalised Monopoly game, a pair of bear tins filled with cookies and lots more!

Raffle tickets will go on sale after Mass from this week at only £1 per strip. All proceeds raised will go towards our Parish church funds. The results of the draw will be announced on the 29th Dec – just in time to celebrate New Year! If anyone would like to donate a prize towards the Christmas raffle please bring to the Church and give to any member of the fundraising committee.

Rotas for Sunday 15th December 2019

Sun 9.00am

Readers: A. Siby, C. Nxumalo

Eucharistic Ministers: B. Grogan, J. Coutinho, M. Creighton

Sun 11.00am

Readers: J. Ossei-Brainoo, L. Williams

Eucharistic Ministers: J. Carey, J. Palmer, E. Carvalho