Mass Intentions

December 6th to December 14th

Saturday 6th	10-11am	Confessions (or anytime by appointment)
_	6:00pm	Liam Coughlan (RIP)
Sunday 7th	9:00am	Seklesh Datta (RIP)
	11:00am	For the sick in the Parish.
Monday 8th	No Mass Church Closed All Day	
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Tuesday 9th 9:00am Mary Rose Alexander Family Intentions.

Wednesday 10th 9:00am Laurance Charles (RIP) Thursday 11th **9:00am** Souls in Purgatory.

Friday 12th 9:00am Andrew Jaipershad Intentions.

Saturday 13th **10-11am** Confessions (or anytime by appointment)

6:00pm Patrick Molloy (RIP)

Sunday 14th 9:00am Anita Moncreafe (RI) anniversary.

11:00am Emmanuel Mobela (RIP)

May the souls of the faithful departed rest in eternal peace.

In your kindness, please pray for the following who are ill

Giuseppe De Palma, Augustus Edwards, Louisa Travasso, Leroy Williams, Beveley Jones, Rosanna Joseph, Richard Lamb, Rachel n Antonella Rizzo Joe Travasso, Karen Oates, Kim Nichol, Micky Bennett, Emily Pougnet, Lucy Williams Jocelyn Hilaire, Alsene Gibbs, Wesley Leachman, Chantale Wildman, Kevin Madden, Helena Almel, Annette Crowe, Paul Smith, Aubrey Paul Marcus Elwin, Rizzo Enzo, Jimmy Lucy, Patricia Roberts, Isabel Edwards, Patricia Adams, Tony Charles, Paul Charles, Brinnette Belle



Anniversaries



Sheila Martin, Ciara O'Connor Bridget Agnew, Elizabeth O'Leary Kathleen O'Connor, Joseph Coffey Stephen Alsop, Alice Pankhurst

May they rest in Peace



St. Bede's Parish **Chadwell Heath**

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"Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is at hand..."

TIntegral to the season of Advent is the person and ministry of John the Baptist. He was a strange character. His clothing was made of animal skins. He ate locusts and wild honey. spent much of his time in the wilderness, far from human company. When he came to wherepeople lived, it was usually to scream at the top of his voice, calling everyone to repentanc in preparation for the coming of the Messiah. He began by quoting the prophet Isaiah who said, "The voice of one crying in the wilderness: prepare the way of the Lord; make his paths straight."

We prepare ourselves for the coming of Christ through repentance. We are called to change the pattern of our lives in order to be ready when he comes. John the Baptist call us to look again at our lives, to make sure that the Lord will have no obstacle in his path. Roads that twist and turn too much, only fatigue and mislead the travellers. Our life contains many tortuous ways that we must make straight for our Lord's coming. First, we must correct our mixed intentions and have only one, that of pleasing God by changing our hearts. Like the mariner who always keeps his eye on the needle of the compass as he steers his boat, we too must always have our eyes open to penitence, that is, a change of heart.

In changing our hearts, we turn to God's image and likeness in us. In repentance we xperience tribulation and sorrow for having offended God's goodness. We are no longer slaves to our emotions. Our inclinations, feelings, and emotions are now directed toward the love of God and neighbour. All acts of repentance are made for the sake of the beauty, honour, dignity and happiness of our own wellbeing. A change of heart leads to an even disposition. The perfection of penance is to have a holy love for God that overflows into love of neighbour. The love of God and self-centred love continually struggle within our heart and causes us great pain. True self-love serves God. When divine love reigns in our hearts it tames all other loves. It places our natural emotions and desires under the divine plan and service. Let us therefore walk with determination before God like John the Baptist. Let us be the voice crying out that we must prepare the way and make straight the path of the Lord, so that receiving Him in this life, we may enjoy Him in the next.

God bless you all. Fr. Henry

2nd Sunday of Advent

Second reading - Romans 15:4-9

First Reading - Isaiah 11:1-10

Gospel Acclamation - Luke 3:4. 6

Responsorial Psalm - -Ps 72(71):1-2. 7-8. 12-13. 17. Gospel - Matthew 3:1-12

Table Top Sale

Our table top sale and coffee morning will be on Saturday 13th December from 10 am - 4pm

We have lots of lovely surprises, raffle, music and an unusual coffee morning, lets start getting into the Christmas spirit and spread the joy.

All proceed will go to buying equipment for our over 60 club which will be ready end of February.

(see notice board for more details)

Help to make the table top a success

Thank you to all who have already offered to help, but we will need more to make this a success .

Friday 12th December from **7-9 pm** we will be setting up the hall with Christmas Tree ,balloons and tables ready for a 10am start on Friday

If you have any unwanted decorations please leave under the table in the porch **Tuesday to Friday 9am to 10am**There will be a raffle with some interesting prizes

Please bring your neighbours, friends and family and let's have a good time

All proceeds go towards equipment for the over 60 club.

Christmas Flowers

It's the time of year when we are asking for your help with flowers to decorate our church and buy a Christmas tree. If you are able to help, we will be most grateful. A basket will be placed near the baptismal font this week, so just give what you can, we thank you in advance for your generosity.

Donations for Parish Mass Books

The parish is in the process of replacing the current Mass Books Anyone who would like to donate to help with the cost can do so by either;

Cheque

Made payable to: Catholic Church Chadwell Heath St. Bedes

Online

Acc. No: 01017624
Sort Code: 40-13-22
HSBC
Thank you for your donations
God Bless You, Fr.
Henry

<u>Offertory</u>

29th & 30th November

Loose plate: £278.30

Envelope: £405.12

Fr Henry would like to

thank you all

Parishioners wishing to join the following please contact Glenda 9am mass or Fr Henry and ensure that you complete the relevant form at the back of the church

Altar servers - Training January- dates to be confirm
Older children/ adults for Baptism - see Father Henry
Marriages - if you have already seen Fr. Henry please contact Glenda
9am mass

Those worshiping in the parish and need to know more about the Faith (RCIA) please complete the official form at the back of the church and hand to Fr Henry. First session starts

Sunday 21st December after the 11am Mass.

Quiz Night

Saturday 13th December. There will be a quiz night In Support of Mosquito Net Appeal for Empowering Vulnerable Children Uganda. 7.00pm to 9.00pm. St. Bede Church Hall, Bishops Avenue Chadwell Heath, Romford, RM6 5RS. Tickets sold at the door. Come one come all. Knights of St. Columba, Romford Council 224.

Coffee Morning

There will be coffee morning after Sunday Masses.

God Bless you All! Fr.Henry

