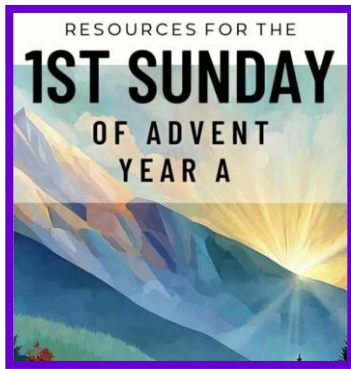




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1ST SUNDAY OF ADVENT (YEAR A) 30TH NOVEMBER 2025

Mass Times

Vigil Mass: Sat 6.30 pm
Sunday 9.30 am
11.00 am
(Spanish Mass) 12.30 nn
6.30 pm
Mon to Sat 10am & 6.30 pm

Sacrament of Confession

Saturday 10.45 – 11.15 am
6.00 – 6.30 pm
Mon – Fri 6:15 – 6:30 pm

Parish Office Opening Hrs

Mon – Fri 9am to 5pm
(Lunch from 1.30pm to 2.30pm)

Rosary

Every Wednesday after
10am Mass followed by Tea
in the Founders Room.

- Rosary also held on Sundays at
3pm in the Colonnade.

Legion of Mary

Every Tuesday after 6:30 pm mass
in the Prayer Room.

Holy Hour

1st Friday of every month after
10am Mass. The **Blessed
Sacrament** will be exposed for
Rosary, Litany Divine Mercy &
Benediction.

Safeguarding Office

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Saints Days

Mon 1st – St. Charles de Foucauld
Tue 2nd – Bl. Rafal Chylinski
Wed 3rd – St. Francis Xavier
Thu 4th – St. John Damascene
Fri 5th – St. Sabas
Sat 6th – St. Nicholas



St. Peregrine Mass of Healing

Our next St. Peregrine Mass of Healing
is on **31st December 2025**
(Wednesday) at **10:00am**.

Relic of Saint Carlo Acutis

Exposition of this Relic on every
Monday after our 10am Mass.

Saint Carlo, Pray for us.

Reflection

The readings for the 1st Sunday of Advent, Year A, speak on the importance of being prepared for the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ. They call us to stay alert, live with purpose, seek peace and awaken our hearts in hopeful anticipation of His coming.

In the 1st reading from the Book of Isaiah, we are given a beautiful vision of peace. "They shall beat their swords into plowshares." This imagery transcends the mere absence of conflict; it reflects a profound transformation of human hearts and societies. Advent invites us to recognize our own need for this transformation. Amid the turmoil and uncertainty of our world, God calls us to look beyond our current struggles and adapt a posture of hope. We are reminded that God's Kingdom is one of peace, and we are urged to walk in the light of the Lord.

Today's Psalm is an excellent expression of our longing for God's presence. The act of gathering together, coming to Mass, is a prophetic act of hope. It signifies our collective journey toward God, where we find community and support as we seek to grow in faith.

In the Gospel reading from Matthew 24:37-44, Jesus warns us to be prepared, just as people were caught unaware in the days of Noah. The season of Advent is a wake-up call, a reminder that we must be attentive and ready for God's action in our lives. It challenges us to cultivate a posture of vigilance, living each day with a sense of expectation for Christ's coming.



1. **First Holy Communion** – A soft reminder that the next Session Sunday will be on 11th January 2026 at 9:30 am prompt at the School Hall. Make sure that your child will come before the time please.
2. **Confirmation Classes 2026** – The first session will start on 11th January 2026 5:30 pm with the meeting of the candidates and the parents at the Founders Room and mass at the church afterwards.
3. **Faulty Electrical Lighting System** – Our parish church is in urgent need of major repairs to the electrical lighting system that is quoted at around £40,000. We sincerely appeal for your generous support. Thank you for your kindness and valuable assistance.
4. **Servite Volunteers Christmas Party** – will be on 6th December 2025 Saturday 5:00 pm at School Hall.

PILGRIMS OF HOPE

Hymn for the Jubilee Year 2025



*Like a flame my hope is burning, may my song arise to You:
Source of life that has no ending, on life's path I trust in You.*

1. Ev'ry nation, tongue, and people find a light within Your Word.
Scattered fragile sons and daughters find a home in Your dear Son.
2. Dio ci guarda, tenero e paziente: nasce l'alba di un futuro nuovo.
Nuovi Cieli Terra fatta nuova: passa i muri Spirito di vita.
3. Ang Diyos ay ating nadarama, kahit di natin nakikita.
Naging tao para sa buong mundo, susunod ako sa'n man s'ya patungo .

FIRST READING

A reading from the second book of

Isaiah

2:1-5

The word that Isaiah the son of Amoz saw concerning Judah and Jerusalem.

It shall come to pass in the latter days that the mountain of the house of the Lord shall be established as the highest of the mountains, and shall be lifted up above the hills; and all the nations shall flow to it, and many peoples shall come, and say:

‘Come, let us go up to the mountain of the Lord, to the house of the God of Jacob, that he may teach us his ways

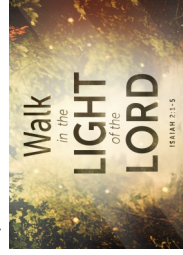
and that we may walk in his paths.’

For out of Sion shall go forth the law, and the word of the Lord from Jerusalem. He shall judge between the nations, and shall decide disputes for many peoples; and they shall beat their swords into ploughshares, and their spears into pruning-hooks; nation shall not lift up sword against nation, neither shall they learn war any more.

O house of Jacob, come, let us walk in the light of the Lord.

The word of the Lord.

All: *Thanks be to God.*



RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Ps 122(121):1-2. 3-4a. 8-9. R cf. 1

R. Let us go rejoicing to the house of the Lord.

1. I rejoiced when they said to me,
‘Let us go to the house of the Lord.’
And now our feet are standing
within your gates, O Jerusalem. **R.**

1st. Sunday of Advent

2. Jerusalem is built as a city

bonded as one together.

It is there that the tribes go up,

the tribes of the Lord. **R.**

3. For the sake of my family and friends,
let me say, ‘Peace upon you.’

For the sake of the house of the Lord, our
God, I will seek good things for you. **R.**

SECOND READING

A reading from the letter of St. Paul to the

Romans

13:11-14a

Brothers and sisters: You know the time, that the hour has come for you to wake from sleep. For salvation is nearer to us now than when we first believed. The night is far gone; the day is at hand. So then let us cast off the works of darkness and put on the armour of light. Let us walk properly as in the daytime, not in orgies and drunkenness, not in sexual immorality and sensuality, not in quarrelling and jealousy. But put on the Lord Jesus Christ.

The word of the Lord.

All: *Thanks be to God.*



Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia.

Show us, O Lord, your mercy,

and grant us your salvation.

Alleluia.

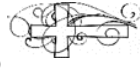
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GOSPEL

A reading from the holy Gospel according to

Matthew

24:37-44



All: *Glory to you, O Lord.*

At that time: Jesus said to his disciples: ‘For as were the days of Noah, so will be the coming of the Son of Man. For as in those days before the flood they were eating and drinking, marrying and giving in marriage, until the day when Noah entered the ark, and they were unaware until the flood came and swept them all away, so will be the coming of the Son of Man. Then two men will be in the field; one will be taken and one left. Two women will be grinding at the mill; one will be taken and one left. Therefore, stay awake, for you do not know on what day your Lord is coming. But know this, that if the master of the house had known in what part of the night the thief was coming, he would have stayed awake and would not have let his house be broken into. Therefore you also must be ready, for the Son of Man is coming at an hour you do not expect.’

The Gospel of the Lord.

All: *Praise to you,*

Lord Jesus Christ.



I believe in one God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible.

I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ, the Only Begotten Son of God, born of the Father before all ages. God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father; through him all things were made. For us men and for our salvation he came down from heaven, (*All bow for following three lines*) and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary and became man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate, He suffered death and was buried, and rose again on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead and his kingdom will have no end.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified, who has spoken through the Prophets.

I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church. I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.