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SUNDAY 5TH DECEMBER 2021

SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT

THIS WEEK'S MASS SCHEDULE AND INTENTIONS

SATURDAY	4тн	10:00	St John Damascene	Memorial	Michael McDonnell RIP
SATURDAY	4тн	18:00	Second Sunday of Advent	Solemnity	The Chamberlen Family RIP
SUNDAY	5тн	08:30	Second Sunday of Advent	Solemnity	PRO POPULO
	5тн	10:00	Second Sunday of Advent	Solemnity	Mavis Appiah-Kubi intention
	5тн	12:00	Second Sunday of Advent	Solemnity	Julius Abety RIP
	5тн	18:00	Second Sunday of Advent	Solemnity	Manuel
Monday	6тн	10:00	St Nicholas	Memorial	Anthony Fallugia
TUESDAY	7тн	10:00	St Ambrose	Memorial	Anna, Marcello and Family
WEDNESDAY	8тн	10:00	The Immaculate Conception	Solemnity	In honour of Our Lady
THURSDAY	9тн	10:00	Second Week of Advent	Feria	Gojko Novakovic Family
FRIDAY	10тн	10:00	Our Lady of Loreto	Feria	Alfred Owusu RIP
SATURDAY	11тн	10:00	Second Week of Advent	Feria	Katrina Fleming RIP

CONFESSIONS: SATURDAY: 5PM - 5:40PM [HALL]

OUR CHURCH IS OPEN DURING DAYLIGHT HOURS



We pray for Magdalene Hibbert and all who have died recently and we remember especially those whose anniversaries occur at this time including Carl Daley, Sheila Willis, Tess McKenna-Whyte, John Baron, Anthony Ellul, Patrick Stephens and George Keefe. We remember all those who have fled their families in search of a better life at this time. We ask almighty God to help us as a society to find solutions to the issues created by mass migration and to always uphold the dignity of every human being and treat them as we treat ourselves.

"I am the Immaculate Conception" were the words which Our Lady said to St Bernadette in the miraculous shrine that we refer to as Lourdes. Have you ever been? People go to Lourdes with the hope of having their lives changed - as so many lives have been - through the miraculous intercession of the Blessed Virgin Mary. The evidence for the miracles that have occurred (and still do occur) in this small town in the foothills of the pyrenees are astonishing. When you visit you can see the number of walking sticks that are hung up from those no longer in need of them who have been healed through bathing in the waters as Mary instructed St Bernadette to encourage pilgrims to do. There is no greater saint in the history of the Church than Our Mother Mary whom we will revere this coming Wednesday as The Immaculate Conception. This doctrine; that Mary was conceived without Original Sin, was only confirmed as true by the Pope in recent history yet has been believed for centuries of the Church's life. The doctrine declares that she is the only human being in the whole of human history not to be affected - as all of us are - by the effects of our first parents' rebellion against our good God. As sinless she is a model of good conduct and we learn from her example: more specifically we learn the greatest of all virtues: humility. Once we are ready to accept God's will then miracles can happen in our lives.

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PARISH NEWS

PARISH CHRISTMAS PARTY: Our annual Parish Christmas Party will take place this year on **Saturday 11th December after the 6pm Mass** in the Hall. Please bring a plate of food with you to share.

SVP APPEAL - THANK YOU!: The SVP are very grateful for your generosity in donating towards their appeal last Sunday. You managed to raise **£991.03** and this will enable the group to carry out their Christmas initiatives including supporting refugee children with presents this Christmas.

CHAIRS FOR OUR HALL - THANK YOU!: I would like to say a big "thank-you" for the donors who came forward to contribute towards the cost of the new chairs for our Hall. It is now possible for us to purchase them. Due to supply chain issues they will not be with us until the end of January 2022 but I hope we can use them for our Parish Quiz Night. For details of which ... watch this space!

THE PASSAGE: is a homeless charity established by Cardinal Basil Hume and operates in the Archdiocese of Westminster providing help for the most needy. **Until Tuesday 7 December** a benefactor will match any donation given. Consider helping the homeless via <u>this link</u>.

PIANO IN THE HALL: There is a standing piano in our Hall which is looking for a new home. If anyone is interested in taking the piano - or knows someone who might be - please get in touch.

ARCHBISHOP JOHN WILSON TO VISIT CORPUS CHRISTI IN FEBRUARY 2022: I happily inform you that Archbishop John Wilson - our Archbishop of Southwark - will come to visit our parish on Sunday 6th February 2022 and celebrate the 10am Mass.

CHRISTMAS 2021: The Mass schedule for Christmas will be as follows:

Friday 24th December:	Christmas Eve:	6pm (Family Mass), 12am (Midnight Mass)
Saturday 25th December	Christmas Day:	8:30am, 10:00am, 12:00pm, <u>No 6pm Mass!</u>
Sunday 26th December	Boxing Day:	8:30am, 10:00am, 12:00pm, <u>No 6pm Mass!</u>

SAVE THE DATE: ADVENT RECONCILIATION SERVICE: On Thursday 16th December at **7pm** we will gather in Church for our Advent Reconciliation Service. Fr Mebrate, two visiting priests and I will provide the opportunity for all of you to come to individual confession. Enjoy the great gift of God's forgiveness and peace to prepare - in the best way possible - for his being born!

REMAINING GIFT-AID ENVELOPES: can be collected after all Masses during the month of November! They will be distributed in the Hall or Repository by either Olga Slater or Joseph Baako.

PRIMARY SCHOOL PRIEST'S REFERENCE FORMS: <u>All parents applying to Catholic Primary</u> <u>Schools</u> for their children must fill in <u>this form</u> from our website. <u>UPDATE</u>: Please submit the forms you want signed in one envelope through the letterbox of The Priests' House. All forms must be received <u>by Friday 10th December.</u> Signed forms will be returned in the following way:

Corpus Christi Primary School:delivered directly to the school office by Fr Matthew.All other schools:from The Priests' House on Monday 10th Jan 2022.