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ST. LUKE'S CATHOLIC PARISH

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FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

30th November 2025 (Yr A/II Ps 1)

CLERGY

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GOING INTO HOSPITAL

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PARISH PRIMARY SCHOOL

St. John Henry Newman Voluntary Aided Hamptons Website: st-johnhenrynewman.org.uk

DIARY

Saturday 29th Nov – Our Lady on Saturday

9.30am Most Holy Rosary 12noon Christmas Fayre 5-5.45pm Confession 6pm Vigil Mass of Sunday *Mary Tierney*+

30th Nov FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT Sunday Yr A – Weekdays Cycle II – Office Week 1

9am Sung Mass *Pro Populo*10.30am Children's Mass *Thanksgiving (Exams)*12noon Sung Mass *Holy Souls*1pm St. Luke's Young Adults
6pm Churches Together Advent Carol Service

Monday 1st Dec - Advent Feria

10am Silent Prayer Before the Blessed Sacrament 10.30am Church Cleaning – All Welcome! 7pm Lectio Divina 7.30pm Men's Fellowship & Bible Study

Tue 2nd Dec – Advent Feria

12noon Most Holy Rosary 12.30pm Holy Mass *Fr Olindo Cramaro*+ 6pm Divine Mercy Devotions 7pm RCIA

Wed 3rd Dec – St. Francis Xavier Day of Prayer for Migrants

10am Most Holy Rosary 10.30am Holy Mass *Charles (ill)* 7pm Ladies Fellowship & Bible Study

Thursday 4th Dec – Advent Feria

12noon Most Holy Rosary
12.30pm Holy Mass *Peace in the World*1pm Lunches & Social Time
6.30pm Children's Choir Practice
7.45pm Music Group Practice

Friday 5th Dec – Advent Feria

10am Most Holy Rosary
10.30am Holy Mass John & Regina Otite+
11am Adoration & Benediction of the
Blessed Sacrament (Latin)
6.30pm Confirmation
6.30pm Youth Group

Saturday 6th Dec - St Nicholas

9.30am Most Holy Rosary 1pm Zimbabwean Community Mass 5-5.45pm Confession 6pm Vigil Mass of Sunday *Susan Gilmer*

7th Dec SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT

9am Sung Mass *John Collins*+ 10.30am Children's Mass *Tony McGing*+ 12noon Sung Mass *Pro Populo*

Mass Intentions

Many thanks for requesting Masses for your different intentions. There are no dates left for this year. Next years diary is available now. Envelopes can be found on the entrance table.



CTO ADVENT CAROL SERVICE

Churches Together in the Orton's celebrate their annual Advent Carol service in St. Luke's this Sunday 30th at 6pm. Music will be led by our 12noon group. All welcome.

CHRISTMAS CHOCOLATES

HMP Peterborough Chaplaincy ask our help in providing sealed tubs of chocolates to be shared by the 1,300 residents at Christmas. They will also be given a card & one or two small gifts at what is generally a difficult & emotional time 'inside'. For security reasons please only bring the **sealed plastic tubs** of Roses, Hero's' etc., and leave on the sanctuary. Last day Sunday 14th December. Many thanks.

CHRISMAS CONCERT

St. Luke's Junior Choir join with the choir of St. John's Cathedral Square and the City of Peterborough Concert Band. Doors open 6.30pm. Tickets: £10 in advance from https://bit.ly/SJXmasT25 or £12 on the door. Free seasonal treats and refreshments afterwards. 7pm Friday 12th December at St. John's. Proceeds to support music at our two churches.

CHRISTMAS AT ST. LUKE'S

Please note that due to the shortage of priests there will be fewer Masses.

6pm Sunday 21st December Carol Service led by the Junior Choir

Readings telling the Christmas story, with congregational carols and special choir pieces.

Followed by mulled wine and mince pies.

All welcome - retiring collection for the organ fund.

Wednesday 24th December Christmas Eve

6pm Vigil Mass 11pm Mass in the Night

Thursday 25th December Christmas Day

10.30am & 12noon Mass with Carols

Multiple opportunities for the Sacrament of Penance – Confession – will be available in the two weeks before.

REFLECTION

'Let the hills sing for joy together before the LORD, for he comes to judge the earth. He will judge the world with righteousness, and the peoples with equity. (Psalm 98:8-9)'

Waiting...

We light an advent candle today, a small dim light against a world that often seems forbidding and dark. But we light it because we are a people of hope, a people whose faith is marked by an expectation that we should always be ready for the coming of the Master.

The joy and anticipation of this season is captured beautifully in the antiphons of hope from the monastic liturgies:

'See! The ruler of the earth shall come, the Lord who will take from us the heavy burden of our exile

The Lord will come soon, will not delay.

The Lord will make the darkest places bright.'

We must capture that urgency today in the small flame of our candle. We light the candle because we know that the coming of Christ is tied to our building of the kingdom. Lighting the flame, feeding the hungry, comforting the sick, reconciling the divided, praying for the repentant, greeting the lonely and forgotten – doing all these works hastens His coming.

REPOSITORY SHOP

A variety of items are available to buy in the entrance for Christmas including cards, candles and decorations, with more to follow. All profits support St. Luke's.

Papal Prayer Intention for December

That Christians living in areas of war or conflict, especially in the Middle East, might be seeds of peace, reconciliation, and hope.

National Cycle of Prayer

For Migrants & Refugees; Expectant Mothers.

ST LUKES YOUNG ADULTS

18-35? Join us for an Advent Reflection next Sunday 30th November at 1pm.

RCIA

Our first meeting will be from 7-8pm on Tuesday 2nd December. Please pray for our 17 candidates.

YOUTH GROUP

For all at secondary school this Friday 5th 6.30-8.30pm.

TEENAGE CONFIRMATION

Our first meeting will be on Friday 5th December 6.30-7.30pm. This will include a one off meeting for parents/guardians. Please pray for our 30 young ones.

ZIMBABWEAN COMMUNITY MASS

Next Saturday 6th at 1pm – All welcome!

Christmas Hamper Raffle Tickets Still Available! Every blessing for the week ahead!