

LET US PRAY FOR THE SICK AND HOUSEBOUND

Please keep all the sick and housebound in your prayers, those affected by Covid-19 and those who are still self-isolating. We pray also for all those whose work is serving our needs and that of the emergency services.

LATELY DECEASED

Please keep all the faithful departed and their families in your prayers.

ROTAS FOR 11 and 12 DECEMBER

READERS	Sun 12	8.30am Mass	Angela Dryden
FLOWERS			No flowers in Advent
BULLETIN:			Christina Morris
PHOTOCOPYING:			Catherine Buxton

Please email any new rotas to:
lindajpurple@yahoo.co.uk
Many thanks.

UPDATED MEASURES POST 19TH July 2021

Dear Parishioners, With some feedback from you, it has been decided in our parish to bring the majority of benches back into use.

However, there will be some benches at the back of church that will be available for those who still wish to maintain social distancing.

I still request for your own sake and others, with Covid still present, that you continue to wear a mask in church, sanitise on entering and leaving the church and still sign in.

Ventilation will still be in place.

Please let me know if you have any concerns. email: ourladysthugh@sky.com or 01993 702661.

A huge thank you to all our stewards who have so generously given their time during the pandemic and who made the celebration of Mass possible. We hope to resume normal Masses shortly. More information shortly. Thank you for your patience.

God Bless, Fr Pat

NOTICES FOR THE BULLETIN

The deadline for notices to be included in the weekly bulletin is **Tuesday evening** at the latest. All notices should be sent by email to: ourladysthugh@sky.com or given to Father Pat. Thank you.

PLEASE TAKE THIS BULLETIN HOME WITH YOU

The Parish is part of the Archdiocese of Birmingham, Reg. Charity No: 234216

Entrance Antiphon See Is 30:19,30
O people of Sion, behold,
the Lord will come to save the nations,
and the Lord will make the glory of his voice
heard in the joy of your heart.

First Reading 5:1-9
A reading from the prophet Baruch

Responsorial Psalm Ps 125.R.v.3

R What marvels the Lord worked for us!
Indeed we were glad.

1. When the Lord delivered Zion from bondage,
it seemed like a dream.
Then was our mouth filled with laughter,
on our lips there were songs. (R)
2. The heathens themselves said: "What marvels
the Lord worked for them!"
What marvels the Lord worked for us!
Indeed we were glad. (R)
3. Deliver us, O Lord, from our bondage
As streams in dry land.
Those who are sowing in tears will sing when
the reap. (R)
4. They go out, they go out, full of tears,
carrying seed for the sowing:
they come back, they come back, full of song,
carrying their sheaves. (R)

Second Reading 1:3-6.8-11
A reading from the first letter of St. Paul to the
Philippians

Gospel Acclamation Lk 3:4.6
Alleluia, alleluia!
Prepare a way for the Lord,
make his paths straight
and all mankind shall see the salvation of
God. Alleluia!

Gospel 3:1-6
A reading from the holy Gospel according to
Luke

Communion Antiphon Bar 5:5; 4:36
Jerusalem, arise and stand upon the heights
and behold the joy which comes to you from
God.

The second collection this weekend is for Poor
Parishes

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SUNDAY 5 DECEMBER - SUNDAY 12 DECEMBER 2021 SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT, YEAR C

- Sat 4** PUBLIC EXPOSITION 10.00 -11.00 am
PUBLIC MASS 6.30PM (FOR SUNDAY)
Elizabeth Pickett RIP
- Sun 5** PUBLIC MASS 8.30 am
Anne Bee RIP
PUBLIC MASS 10.00 am *Birthday Intention (SH)*
- Mon 6** PUBLIC MASS 9.30 am *Private Intention*
MEMORIAL OF ST AMBROSE, BISHOP,
DOCTOR OF THE CHURCH
- Tue 7** NO MASS
SOLEMNITY OF THE IMMACULATE
CONCEPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY
- Wed 8** NO MASS
- Thurs 9** EUCHARISTIC SERVICE 6.00 pm
- Fri 10** NO MASS
- Sat 11** PUBLIC EXPOSITION 10.00 -11.00 am
PUBLIC MASS 6.30 pm (FOR SUNDAY)
Edward Marley Elliott
- Sun 12** PUBLIC MASS 8.30 am *Teresa Scarff RIP*
PUBLIC MASS 10.00 am *Gina Kamangir*

Appointments with Fr. Pat

If you would like to see Fr. Pat (for Confession or any other reason), then please do not hesitate to make an appointment either by phone or email.
Confessions will be held in the Chapel.

GOSPEL REFLECTION

In this Second Sunday of Advent John the Baptist is inviting us to prepare for the coming of the Lord through the repenting of our sins. Yet, all too often, we only repent of the obvious ones we tend to do every day. They are the ones we repeat every time we go to Confession. What about those sins which lie hidden in our hearts. It could be fear or anger or resentment. These can distort our perception of the world around us or influence our relationships, especially with particular people. Somehow, we know they are there but to accept that and face them could mean a total change in the direction of our lives. This may demand a complete re-evaluation of how we see ourselves and other people. This can shake our comfortable life. However, if we can use this Advent to make straight our winding roads then we can truly rejoice at meeting the Lord this Christmas.

Fr Pat

ADVENT WALK WITH ME BOOKLETS

The Advent Walk with Me booklets and calendars are now available at the back of the church. Suggested donations are £1 but don't let that prevent you from taking one. If you know someone who might appreciate a booklet or calendar, please take one for them also.

PRAYER FOR THE PREPARATION OF MASS

God our Father you call us to gather together for this Sunday Mass. Help us to draw strength from the Holy Scriptures and from the Holy Eucharist, so that we deepen our love for you. May we be enlivened by the Holy Spirit to mirror the words and actions of your Son Jesus Christ and become more clearly your instruments of mercy to others. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

MASSES IN POLISH

Masses in Polish for the Oxford Polish Community at Bl. D. Barberi Church on **Sundays 4.30pm and 6.30pm**, on the **first Friday of the month at 6.00pm** and the **first Saturday of the month at 10.00am**. See contact: Fr Edward Rusin on <https://www.parafiaoxford.co.uk>

PRAYER FOR SPIRITUAL COMMUNION TO ACCOMPANY ON-LINE SERVICES

My Jesus, I believe that you are present in this Holy Sacrament of the altar. I love you above all things and I passionately desire to receive you into my soul. Since I cannot now receive you sacramentally, come spiritually into my soul, so that I may unite myself wholly to you now and forever. Amen.

CELEBRATING MASS ON-LINE - LIVE STREAMING

You can live stream our services on this link: <https://camstreamer.com/redirect/fcb26528a12492d/S-57505> Press the control key and left click mouse at the same time OR go to YouTube and type in Our Lady and St Hugh Witney. Sunday obligation of Mass is still suspended.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Parents wishing to have a child Baptised are required to attend a course of preparation. A two-session course is run in the Parish. Parents are welcome to attend before the birth of their child.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION 2022

The Enrolment Mass for children entering into the First Holy Communion program at will be on Sunday 5th December at 10.00am

WITNEY FOOD BANK

Donations of tinned meat and fruit are especially needed at the Food Bank, Cottsway House, Heynes Pl, Ave Two, Witney OX28 4YG . It is open to receive items **from Monday to Friday between 10am and 1pm.**

WITNEY FOOD REVOLUTION

The Community Fridge has now been joined by a Community Larder and the two together are now known as Witney Food Revolution.

The Community Fridge is open to anyone and everyone interested in reducing food waste. All food supplied is within its use by date and is usually surplus food which volunteers collect daily from local supermarkets or from partner food redistribution organisations, such as the Oxford Food Hub. As it is surplus food, we never know exactly what we will have available from week to week.

The Community Larder is a membership organisation providing up to 10 items of non-perishables (pasta, tins, etc.) per week plus free fruit and vegetables. The food comes from a Didcot-based charity providing surplus food, training and opportunities to young people and organisations. More details at

<https://www.sofea.uk.com/purpose-projects/community-larder/how-does-this-work/>

Opening hours Fridge and Larder **Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday 10am to Midday; Larder Wednesday 3pm - 7pm.**

LOOKING FOR PEOPLE TO JOIN THE CHURCH COUNTING TEAM

I am looking for Church Counters to join the Parish team. Money is collected from all services during the week and then counted on Sunday after 10am Mass. Full training will be given.

HAVE YOU HAD A STROKE? DO YOU KNOW A STROKE SURVIVOR?

WITNEY STROKE CLUB OFFERS:

- a relaxed, friendly group
- the chance to meet up with other stroke survivors
- support to practise speaking, reading and writing if you want to.

We meet on **Fridays, 2-4pm**, at the **Catholic Church**. We especially welcome people who have difficulty communicating after a stroke.

CHRISTMAS MASS TIMES 2021

CHRISTMAS EVE

MIDNIGHT MASS 12.00

CHRISTMAS DAY

MASSES 8.30AM & 10.00AM (NO EVENING VIGIL MASS)

ST STEPHENS DAY (Boxing Day)

MASS 10.00 (NO EVENING 6.30PM VIGIL MASS)

Please note we will not be doing a booking system this Christmas due to people booking previously and not showing up when we have had to turn others away.

You will still need to sign in and sanitise.

The gallery and hall will be open.

I hope you understand. Many thanks. Fr. Pat