

**ROTAS FOR 16 AND 17 DECEMBER**

<b>READERS</b>	Sat 16	6.30pm Mass	Brian Viles
	Sun 17	8.30am Mass	Catherine Kennedy
		10.00am Mass	Joe McLoone, Catherine Wilson

**EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION:**

	Sat 16	6.30pm Mass	c. Maddie Drew, Pat Ogden, Jane Cugnet
	Sun 17	8.30am Mass	c. Christina Morris, Jacques Honore, Liz Faulks
		10.00am Mass	c. Hazel Kenny, Helen Holt, Gerald Orji, Stella Orji

**LITURGY ROTA** Sun 17 Living Water Imelda

<b>WELCOMERS</b>	Sat 16	6.30pm Mass	Mary Barton
	Sun 17	8.30am Mass	Hazel Kenny
		10.00am Mass	

**MUSIC:** Sun 17 10.00am Mass Choir

**FLOWERS:** Advent - no flowers  
**LINEN ROTA:** Olga  
**COUNTING:** Paul & Liz Kelly  
**TEA/COFFEE:** Celia  
**BULLETIN:** Catherine Buxton  
**PHOTOCOPYING:** Linda Purple

**ALL WELCOME  
Tea and coffee  
is served  
after 10am Mass**



**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**

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**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** 40:1-5,9-11  
A reading from the prophet Isaiah

**Responsorial Psalm**  
Psalm 84:9-14.R.v.8

**(R.) Let us see, O Lord, your mercy  
and give us your saving help.**

1. I will hear what the Lord God has to say,  
a voice that speaks of peace,  
peace for his people.  
His help is near for those who fear him  
and his glory will dwell in our land. **(R.)**
2. Mercy and faithfulness have met;  
justice and peace have embraced.  
Faithfulness shall spring from the earth  
and justice look down from heaven. **(R.)**
3. The Lord will make us prosper  
and our earth shall yield its fruit.  
Justice shall march before him  
and peace shall follow his steps. **(R.)**

**Second Reading** 3:8-14  
From the second letter of St. Peter

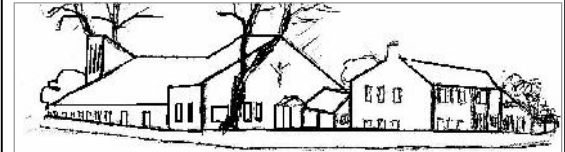
**Gospel Acclamation** Lk 3:4,6

**Alleluia, alleluia!**  
**Prepare a way for the Lord,**  
**make his paths straight.**  
**And all mankind shall see the salvation of**  
**God.**  
**Alleluia!**

**Gospel** 1:1-8  
A reading from the holy Gospel according to Mark

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

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**SUNDAY 3rd DECEMBER – SUNDAY 10th DECEMBER**

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**SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT, YEAR B**

**Sat 9 Eucharistic Service 10.00am (NO Exposition)**  
**Mass 6.30pm (For Sunday)**  
*George Barnes RIP*

**Sun 10 Mass 8.30am** *People of the Parish*  
**Mass 10.00am** *Patrick Boggins*

**Mon 11 Mass 9.00 am** *Celebrant's Intention*

**Tues 12 Mass 7.00 pm (Followed by the Rosary)**

**Wed 13 Memorial of St Lucy, Virgin, Martyr**  
**Eucharistic Service 9.00 am**

**Thurs 14 Memorial of St John of the Cross, Priest,**  
**Doctor of the Church**  
**Eucharistic Service 6.00 pm**

**Fri 15 Mass 9.00 am (Followed by Exposition)**  
*Birthday Intention (ZK)*

**Sat 16 Mass 10.00 am (Followed by Exposition)**  
*Anthony Murphy*  
**Mass 6.30 pm for Sunday**  
*Gideon Duncan RIP*

**Sun 17 Mass 8.30 am** *George & Veronica Barnes RIP*  
**Mass 10.00 am** *People of the Parish*

**Confessions**

**Saturday 2nd December: NO morning Confessions**  
**Evening Confessions 5.30 - 6.00 pm**  
**(Or by appointment)**

### EPISCOPAL VISITATION OF NORTH OXFORD DEANERY

Dear Parishioners, the opening of the Visitations began on the 20<sup>th</sup> September and will close on the 9<sup>th</sup> March 2018. **Our parish will be visited by Bishop William Kenney on 24<sup>th</sup> – 25<sup>th</sup> February 2018.** Please could I ask parishioners to say the prayer below, not just for our own parish but for all the parishes in the North Oxford Deanery that are being visited. Many Thanks and God Bless. **Fr Pat**

### PRAYER OF PREPARATION FOR THE EPISCOPAL VISITATION OF NORTH OXFORD DEANERY

God our Father you have called us to be your holy people and to gather to listen to your Word and celebrate the Sacraments. Guide us with your Holy Spirit to open ourselves in prayer and action to prepare for the Episcopal Visitation of our Deanery. With the intercession of our local martyrs and saints may we help to build up your Kingdom in our day and be worthy witnesses of your Son. Through the same Christ our Lord. Amen.

### ADVENT 2017

We began the Holy Season of Advent last weekend which is also the beginning of the Church's liturgical year. During Advent we should take some time to reflect on our spiritual lives. Also you should avail yourself of the Sacrament of Reconciliation during this time. The readings for the weekend Masses are from Cycle B in the Sunday Missal.

### 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. 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.

### BAPTISM PREPARATION DATES

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. The next dates for 2018 are **9<sup>th</sup> & 16<sup>th</sup> January, 10<sup>th</sup> & 17<sup>th</sup> April, 3<sup>rd</sup> & 10<sup>th</sup> July, 2<sup>nd</sup> & 9<sup>th</sup> October.**

### CHILDREN'S LITURGY IN POLISH

There will be a children's liturgy in Polish at 10 o'clock Mass on every first Sunday of the month. Liturgia dla dzieci w języku polskim odbywać się będzie w każdą pierwszą niedzielę miesiąca podczas Mszy Świętej o godzinie 10:00.

### 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.

### MESSAGE FROM FR PAT

I am now back in the parish and slowly getting back to normal. I hope to be in a position to celebrate all the Christmas Masses as per usual. However, between now and then there will be some Eucharistic Services at times. I would like to say a huge thank you to all those who have helped in any way during my convalescence. From the practical support of those who visited and cooked etc. to those who kept me quietly in their prayers. I will be offering Midnight Mass on Christmas Eve in thanksgiving for all who supported me in any way. *God Bless. Fr Pat.*

### TIME TO EMPTY THE APF RED BOXES

It is time to empty the red boxes. Please hand the box to your promoter (their name will be on the label on the box) or bring into Church. Thank you.

### MASS TIMES AND SERVICES, 18 DECEMBER TO 26 DECEMBER

Please take the enclosed flyer home with you.

### CHRISTMAS CAROL SERVICE

The Carol Service will take place on **Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> December at 6pm** followed by mulled wine and mince pies.

### CHRISTMAS GRAND DRAW

The tickets for the Grand Draw are now available at the back of church. Please try to take a few books to sell amongst your friends and family. There are some very attractive prizes. Could we request further donations of prizes especially chocolates and wine. The draw will take place **Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> December after the 10am Mass,** followed by the children's Christmas party.

### ST HUGH OF LINCOLN NURSERY SCHOOL

St Hugh of Lincoln Nursery School would like to invite Parishioners to their Christmas Concert which is taking place in Church on **Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> December from 9.15am to 10am.** Tea and coffee will be provided following the concert by The Friends of St Hugh of Lincoln Nursery School.

### YOUTH GROUP

The next Youth Group meeting will be on **Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> December** from 6pm to 7.30pm in the Parish Hall.

### Nursery Practitioner/Keyperson Vacancy

St Hugh of Lincoln Nursery School

01993 706636 [www.sthughoflincolnnursery.co.uk](http://www.sthughoflincolnnursery.co.uk)

We are looking for an enthusiastic and self-motivated practitioner to join our friendly team. This is a permanent, part time position (term time only) for an experienced keyperson starting on 19<sup>th</sup> February 2018. Hours will change termly according to the needs of the nursery. An Early Years qualification at Level 3 or higher is preferable. Please contact the nursery for further details and to arrange a visit. Application forms are available on our website or via request. The successful candidate will be required to provide 2 references and undergo an enhanced DBS check. We are an equal opportunities employer.

### FOOD BANK UPDATE

**In October, we donated 95.5kg of food.** From August 1st 2017 - 31st October, the Food Bank filled 68 vouchers, supporting 96 adults and 54 children (total helped 150). These numbers have more than doubled those that were helped 1st May 2017 - 31st July 2017. Many thanks for all your support.

### FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

There will be no further lessons until **January 9th 2018.**

### SVP COFFEE MORNING

On **10th December** SVP are holding a coffee morning and cake sale for SVP funds **after 10 o'clock Mass.**

### 200 CLUB

Congratulations to the winners of the November draw. Thank you to everyone who entered.

### REMINDERS

**Sick List** – Please could parishioners let Fr. Pat or the office know if people need to be added to the sick list and also when they need to be taken off the list. Thanks.

**In Hospital** – If you are in hospital and you would like to see a Priest, **you are now required to request to see the Hospital Chaplain.** This is due to data protection. The Chaplain will be unaware otherwise that you are in hospital. *Please could you also let Fr. Pat know if you know of anyone who is in hospital.*