

ST MARY IMMACULATE, WARWICK ST CHARLES BORROMEIO, HAMPTON ON THE HILL

**Third Sunday of Advent
12 December 2021 Gaudete Sunday**



Jesse Tree mosaic, 1548, St Mark's Basilica, Venice

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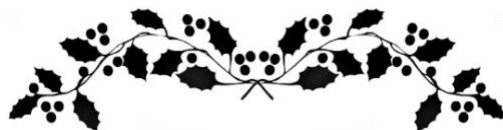
MASS TIMES



		St Mary Immaculate	St Charles Borromeo
Sun 12	Advent III Gaudete Sunday	6pm <i>Browne private int.</i> 11am <i>James Donahue RIP</i>	9am <i>Pro Populo</i>
Mon 13	St Lucy	9.30am <i>Marian Dore ints.</i>	10am <i>Deceased Clergy</i>
Tue 14	St John of the Cross	7pm <i>Private int.</i>	10am <i>Private int.</i>
Wed 15	Advent feria		12pm <i>Private int.</i>
Thu 16	Advent feria		12pm <i>Alan Granger RIP</i>
Fri 17	O Sapientia O Wisdom	9.15pm <i>Holy Souls</i> (Trinity school)	10am <i>John Tilley RIP</i>
Sat 18	O Adonai O Lord	5pm Adoration & Confessions 6pm <i>Pro Populo</i>	10am Adoration 10.30am <i>Private int.</i> 11am Confessions
Sun 19	Advent IV O Radix Jesse O Root of Jesse	11am <i>Brendan Stack RIP</i>	9am <i>Private int.</i>

Christmas Mass times

Fri 24 Dec	Christmas Eve	6pm & 9pm (St Mary Immaculate) 12am (St Charles Borromeo)
Sat 25 Dec	Christmas Day	9am (St Charles Borromeo) 11am (St Mary Immaculate)
Sun 26 Dec	Boxing Day (Holy Family)	9am (St Charles Borromeo) 11am (St Mary Immaculate)



GENERAL NOTICES

Recently Dead: Christine Griffin, Terry Darlison, Rita Sharp, Iris Buckingham, June Amos, Ian Zetland, John Tilley, Norma Lee. May they rest in peace

Poinsettias: Please donate a poinsettia (from next weekend onwards) for the decoration of the church (St Mary Immaculate) at Christmas

Covid Guidelines: New guidance says the following: *There is now very strong evidence to support that the main mode of transmission is through breath & nasal aerosols, and that the risk from surface & touch transmission is very small indeed. As such, the strict regimes of church cleaning that were recommended at the beginning of the opening of churches for public worship are no longer necessary. General church cleaning is sufficient.*

Children's choir Boys 7-14; Girls, 7-16
Rehearsals on Thurs after school & Saturday afternoons. For more information, contact Oliver Hancock, Choir Director
oliver_hancock@hotmail.co.uk

Facebook Page: St Mary Immaculate Parish now has a Facebook page, if you would like to join please follow this link:
<https://www.facebook.com/StMaryImmaculateWarwick>
If you would like to help admin the page please send a message to the page so we can set this up.

Youth Groups: Our monthly Youth Groups meet from 7pm - 8:30pm in the church hall. For more information contact Chrissie at
mrs.c.beaumont@gmail.com

Confirmation: For those who wish to make their Confirmation next year, preparation begins on 9 Jan. Please register by scanning the QR code or contacting Emma Rayment
erayment@tcs.magnificat.org.uk All sessions will



be held between 10am and 10.45am in the Martyrs room. We would encourage all young people to then stay for the regular parish Mass at 11am.

Red Boxes: Please can parishioners from St Charles return their red boxes before Christmas.

SVP (St. Vincent de Paul Society) have been meeting weekly again since Sept. Due to covid restrictions we have been unable to visit the hospital or care homes. However, we have been visiting parishioners in their homes & supporting needy families with food parcels during the lockdown. We continue to support overseas conferences in Kerala, India & South Sudan. We also support a home in B'ham for refugee ladies. The 2nd collection this weekend is for the work of the SVP and particularly for the presents and food parcels that we give out at Christmas.

Friends of St Mary Immaculate: Christmas Raffle books of tickets available at the back of church - please help yourself! Ticket stubs & money can be dropped through the presbytery door in a clearly marked envelope. There are loads of great prizes including vouchers, hampers, gifts for the home, alcohol, beauty sets, chocolate and much more!

JUSTICE & PEACE *Ways of Giving for Christmas.*
For more information contact
jrussell42@ntlworld.com

FOODBANK there is a box for your donations in the Martyrs' room.

ADVENT GIVING TREE. Please choose an item from list in the porch; bring your gift UNWRAPPED & place beneath the tree ready for distribution to the homeless at the night shelter at Christmas.
Please note list of SURPLUS gifts not needed this year.

CAFOD Transform the lives of families living poorly by virtual gifts. For details see
www.worldgifts.org.uk CAFOD is offering an online calendar throughout Advent, giving daily meditations & updates.

MARY'S MEALS. 'Double the Love' £15.90 will feed 1 child for a school year; thanks to a generous supporter, this is being doubled until Jan 31 making it possible for school meals to be provided for many more children.
www.marysmeals.org.uk

St Charles Christmas Church Cleaning
If anyone can spare an hour to prepare our beautiful Church for Christmas, we will meet 10-30 / after Mass on Tues Dec 21. Mince pie & mulled wine / coffee ... it will be good to see you. Clare ...
07941815037

	St Mary Immaculate stmary-immaculate.org.uk	St Charles Borromeo stcharles-borromeo.org.uk
Offertory	5 Dec £374.16	5 Dec £141
2 nd Collection	Poor Parishes £197.03	Poor Parishes £199.50
Average Weekly Standing orders	£256	£247
Second Collections	12 Dec SVP 19 December Christmas Flowers 9 Jan 22, Circle of Friends	12 Dec SVP 19 December Christmas Flowers 9 Jan 22, Circle of Friends
Counting	This weekend Group 2 Next week Group 3	New counters required please, contact Angela.
Sick & Housebound	Theresa Mary Bicknell, Christopher Browne, Wendy & John Fitzpatrick-Ellis, Annie Gleason, Anne Gunthorpe, Graham Hardwick, Susan James, Catherine McCarthy, Liam McLaughlin, Christina McClean, Sheila Millard, Bernadette & Philippe Narain, Kathleen O'Connor, Agnes Pauling, Agnes Quinn, Peter Schmidt, Arlene Slinn, Margaret Thornton, Betty Walters, Elizabeth Weston, Win Wigner.	Aidan Harris, Monica Hermolle, Christine Underhill, Eddie Unitt, Janina Woods. <i>Your prayers are asked for all the sick in our parishes: at home, care home, hospital, hospice</i>
Draw	<u>200 Club – £5 per No. - £350 in prizes</u> Next draw 19 Dec	<u>St Charles Tote</u> £2 per month. New members welcome, contact Nina Woods.
The lamps in our churches	Sanctuary: Our Lady (blue, RHS) Sacred Heart (red, LHS)	Sanctuary:

Saint of the Week The O Antiphons

The O Antiphons refer to the 7 antiphons that precede the Magnificat during Vespers in the special period of Advent known as the Octave before Christmas, Dec. 17-23. The exact origin of the O Antiphons is not known. Boethius (c.480-524) made a reference to them in his *Consolation of Philosophy*, thereby suggesting their presence at that time. The importance of O Antiphons is twofold: Each one highlights a title for the Messiah: O *Sapientia* (O Wisdom), O *Adonai* (O Lord), O *Radix Jesse* (O Root of Jesse), O *Clavis David* (O Key of David), O *Oriens* (O Rising Sun), O *Rex Gentium* (O King of the Nations), and O *Emmanuel*. Also, each one refers to a prophecy of Isaiah about the coming of the Messiah.

