

trained for and was ordained to the sacred ministry after his wife's death. His last appointment was to St Wilfred's in Coalville. May he rest in peace.

**WELCOME TO THE PARISH FAMILY** Eleanor Mary Wong, baptised this weekend at Immaculate Conception church. May Mary Immaculate always smile upon you!

**FLOWER COLLECTION** This Sunday please be generous to the retiring collection for flowers for the Christmas season.

**NEXT WEEKEND** (Gaudete Sunday) at all Masses there will be a second collection for the Poor Parishes of the diocese.

**"SEEK HIS FACE"** This Sunday's gathering is planned for Immaculate Conception church 3-4pm.

**FLYING THE FLAG** Hearty thanks to Tony Kershaw of the congregation that worships at St Michael & all Angels church in Mottram. He arranged for the national flag to be flown atop that church on Saturday - the maternal feastday of Immaculate Conception church and parish.

**PARISHIONER REGISTRATION** forms are found at the back of church. If you think you are not on the parish register (or your details have changed) please take a form and pop it into the collection.

**ADVENT REVERSE-CALENDAR** You are invited to make a daily donation to Cornerstone to help them in their work with the homeless. Bring your goods to church week by week.

#### ADVENTUALITIES

- Sun 9th Dec : BB : 3-4pm "Seek His Face"
- Weds 12th Dec : Wednesday Group pre-Christmas meal - Golf Club
- Sun 16th Dec 3-4pm - HAD "Seek His Face"
- from Sun 16th : Churches' seasonal decoration : PLEASE VOLUNTEER TO HELP THIS DECORATION!
- Mon 17th : St Charles school carols - church 2pm
- do. 10am and 7pm Reconciliation services at St Anne's Buxton / Nine Lessons & Carols : Immaculate Conception church 7.30
- Thurs 20th : St Charles end-of-term school Mass (church) 9.30
- Sun 23rd : 3-4pm - BB - "Seek His Face"
- Mon 24th HAD 6pm Christmas Family Mass
- Mon 24th Dec : Midnight Mass at Immaculate Conception
- Tues 25th : 9.30 (BB) & 11am (HAD) ChristMasses. Other details will be published later.

**NINE LESSONS & CAROLS** rehearsal will be held at IC church on Thursday next at 7pm.

**JOINT PARISH CHRISTMAS RAFFLE** Tickets for our major joint fund-raiser are available from the back of church - priced at £5 per book. Please support this initiative! Counterfoils and cash can be left in the containers at the back of church. The draw will be made in a fortnight. (And make sure you're up-to-date with tote contributions. The massive pre-Christmas draws are just days away.

**DEEP APPRECIATION** Fr Daniel & I, when making our Friday visits, heard frequently of the gratitude of the housebound for the visits and gifts coordinated by our parish Care Groups. It is truly heartening to hear these peons of thanks - to which I add my own.



## CATHOLIC CHURCH IN LONGDENDALE

# PARISH NEWSLETTER

## SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT (C)

9th Dec 2018



5pm (GAM) for the parish

Sun 9th

9.15 (BB) C Flaherty RIP  
(Wong bapt during Mass)

11am (HAD) Lavinia Woolf RIP (fam)

3pm BB "Seek His Face"

# Prepare a way for the Lord!

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Federation  
Gamesley SK13 6HB  
Head : Mrs G Beaumont  
Tel : 855818

DATE	MASS	OTHER
Mon 10th	<b>Advent Feria / Lincolnshire martyrs</b> 9.30 (HAD) Edward Boyle RIP (fam)	
Tues 11th	<b>Advent Feria / St Damasus I</b> 9.30 (HAD) Edmund Ashton RIP (fam)	
Weds 12th	<b>Advent Feria / Our Lady of Guadalupe</b> 9.30 (HAD) Jean Ashton's welfare (fam) <i>Weds Group pre-Christmas meal - Golf Club</i>	
Thurs 13th	<b>St Lucy</b> 9.30 (HAD) Lucy Cox RIP (fam)	
Fri 14th	<b>St John of the Cross</b> 9.30 (BB) Patricia Newell RIP noon (HAD) private int (NS)	
Sat 15th	<b>Advent Feria</b> 9.30 (HAD) Pat Newell RIP <i>confessions 10.30</i>	
Sun 16th	5pm (GAM) for the parish <b>ADVENT 3 (Gaudete)</b> 9.15 (BB) P Newell RIP 11am (HAD) in thanksgiving : Maeve Eleanor Dixon <i>3pm HAD "Seek His Face"</i>	

**SECOND ADVENT (C)**

Psalter wk 2

**Introduction to the Readings** : We await with joyful hope that 'Day of the Lord' when his work in us will be complete.

**First Reading**: Baruch 5 : God means to show your splendour to every nation.

**Responsorial Psalm**: **WHAT MARVELS THE LORD WORKED FOR US! INDEED WE WERE GLAD**

**Second Reading**: Philippians 1 : Be pure and blameless for the day of Christ.

**Gospel** : Luke 3 : All mankind shall see the salvation of God.

**MONEY MATTERS - Last weekend's collections**

Hadfield	BB/GAM
Envelopes - £157.30	Envelopes £183.41
Loose plate £90.45	Loose £103.78
SOs £254.00	SOs £126.93
Total £501.75	Total £414.12

**LAST WEEKEND'S TOTE WINNERS**  
HAD 1st : £40 : K Tetlow      2nd : £25 : M Cowden

**DUTY CALLS : Next weekend : 16th Dec : 3 Advent**

	READER	B PRAYERS	E MINS	TEA	MUSIC
<b>GAM</b>	B Hodson	B Hodson	AB	na	na
<b>BB</b>	B Pickford	R Wenner	SQ MD	SB	KB
<b>HAD</b>	M Watson	S Shaw	MA AA	GC	var

**SICK AND HOUSEBOUND and ANNIVERSARIES OF DEATH**  
*Please remember to support and pray for those listed as sick and housebound in our parish:*

Philip Love, Mary Perry, Peter James, Adrian McHugh, Fr John Cairns, Fr Kevin Gradwell, Sheila Doyle, Pauline Anderson, Marion Robinson, Tess Fish, Monica Krommendijk, Nella Lewykyj, Neil Appleton, Alice Canning, Dorothy Yarwood.

*Please recall in prayer our deceased priests and parishioners whose anniversaries occur about this time* : Frs. Charles Coleman, Gerard Collins, Trevor Clarke, John Newsham, *Ronald Bradley, Jean Ann Barnsley, Robert Durman, Edmund Ashton, Ronald Baines, Doreen Callon, Thomas Redmond, Mary McKeown, Lilian Dunn, Margaret Connor, Josephine Burridge, Eva Whittam, Sheila Goodwin: Eternal rest grant unto them O Lord : May they rest in peace : Amen*

**PARISH NOTES**

**THIS WEEKEND** we continue our Advent journey, keeping company with John the Baptist on Jordan's bank - and taking heed of his challenge to 'repent'.

This Sunday is honoured in many places as "Bible Sunday", a chance to give thanks to God for revealing the truth to us in his holy word, and in his Word made flesh.

**MAY HE REST IN PEACE** We note with sadness the peaceful death of one of our diocesan priests. Fr Tom Breslin hailed from my native parish of St Alban, Derby. He