CELEBRATION DELAYED This Sunday is of course the 8th December. Ordinarily we would be honouring Our Blessed Lady in her title as Immaculately Conceived. Not so this year, as Advent Sunday II is our liturgical celebration. Since John the Baptist - "no greater human being than him" as Our Lord described - is our focus-figure, I'm sure that Our Blessed Lady doesn't mind our transfer of her honouring to Monday.

Therefore on Monday at 9.30am at Immaculate Conception church we celebrate Mass, honouring the parish's matronal feastday.

BB/GAM COUNCIL MEETING 2.30 this Sunday afternoon.

NINE LESSONS & CAROLS rehearsals start this Monday,  $9^{th}$  at 7.30pm at Immaculate Conception church.

**ELECTION ADVICE** Please go to the CBCEW website to discover good advice from our Bishops on voting-intentions ahead of Thursday's General Election.

CORNERSTONE SUPPORT At the back of our churches are found opportunities to enhance our support for Cornerstone, the "drop-in" centre in Manchester. At St Charles the invitation (from Margaret & Lola) is to bring in chocolate goods. All gifts welcome, and assured of a good home. Meanwhile at Immaculate Conception . . .

**REVERSE ADVENT CALENDAR** Immaculate Conception and St Margaret's are again presenting the *Reverse Advent Giving* in aid of Cornerstone. Instead of opening an Advent calendar window each day of Advent, we buy a gift for the homeless. Items can be brought into church and will be sent down to Cornerstone.

CALLING ALL TICKETS Our joint Christmas-Raffle tickets have all gone from the back of our churches. Please may sure you return counterfoils+cash by next weekend. And bring back unsold books that eager ticketless others may have their chance of the great prize-list.

**NEXT WEEKEND** is when eager hands begin the decoration of our churches ahead of our celebration of the Lord's birth. Calling all children! Your help is needed for this happy busyness! Come one! Come all!

#### **ADVENTUALITIES**

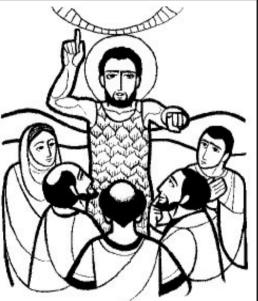
- Mon 9th Dec: 10am and 7pm: Advent Reconciliation services, St Anne's Buxton;
- Tues 10th & Weds 11th : school Nativity play in school 2.15
- Sat 14th : Advent Reconciliation service : All Saints Glossop 11-noon
- on or from Sun 15th : churches / trees decorated
- Mon 16th: school carols concert, St Charles church
- Fri 20th 1pm (HAD): end-of-term school Mass in church
- Mon 23rd: 7.30pm Nine Lessons & Carols BB
- Tues 24th (Christmas Eve) ChristMasses: 6pm St Charles, Midnight at BB
- Weds 25th: ChristMasses 9.15 BB; 11am HAD

**WELCOME BACK** Fr Felipe, a young Brazilian diocesan priest studying in Rome is Fr Daniel's welcome return guest in the rectory and area these few days. Bem vindo de volta!

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## PARISH NEWSLETTER

# SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT (a) 8th December 2019



5pm (GAM) for the parish
Sun 8th

SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT

9.15 (BB) hospital medical staff (PA)

11am (HAD) dec'd of the Perry family RIP (D&KH)

BB/GAM council mtg 2.30

# Prepare a way for the Lord

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DATE	MASS O	THER				
Mon 9th	IMMACULATE CONCEPTION (Solemnity)					
	9.30 (HAD) Bridie Raferty RIP					
	9.30 (BB) BB's ints	7.30 pm Carols rehearsal				
Tues 10th	Advent feria / Lincolnshire Martyrs	: / The BVM of Loretto				
	9.30 (HAD) Pat Cosgrove RIP					
Weds 11th	Advent feria / St Damasus I					
	9.30 (HAD) Edmund Ashton RIP (	fam)				
Thurs 12th	Advent feria / Our Lady of Guadalupe					
	9.30 (HAD) Elizabeth Harriot's w	velfare (V&EG)				
Fri 13th	St Lucy					
	9.30 (BB) Michelle Coglan RIP					
Sat 14th	St John of the Cross					
	9.30 (HAD) Teresa O'Connor RIP	10.30 (HAD) Confessions				
	5pm (GAM) for the parish					
Sun 15th	THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT					
	9.15 (BB) Carmel McGrath RIP					
	11am (HAD) Conal McDonnell RIP					

#### SECOND IN ADVENT (A)

Psalter Week 2

Introduction: Baptism is our pact of unity with Christ our Lord.

First Reading: Is 11: The Spirit's gifts are named for the coming redeemer.

Resp.Ps. IN HIS DAYS JUSTICE SHALL FLOURISH AND PEACE TILL THE MOON FAILS.

Second Reading: Rom 15: Christ is the saviour of all mankind.

Gospel: Mt 3: Repent, for the Kingdom of God is close at hand!

### MONEY MATTERS - Last weekend's collections Hadfield BB/GAM

Envelopes - £170.70 Loose plate £72.80 SOs £259 Total £502.50 Envelopes £191.42 Loose £56.02 SOs £208 Total £455.54

#### RECENT TOTE WINNERS

HAD: 1st £40 J Ashton 2nd: £25 A Heard

15th Dec : Advent 3

	Upcoming duties: 15th Dec : Advent 3						
	READER	B PRAYERS	E MINS	TEA	MUSIC		
GAM	B Hodson	B Hodson	RT	Set up BH			
ВВ	R Wenner	M Pickford	SQ MD	SB	Cathy		
HAD	C Rolls	H Sweeney	PP Mylene	JM	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 John Sullivan, Sheila Doyle, Pauline Anderson, Annette Scullion, Marion Robinson, Eileen Berry, Phillippa Phillips, 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: Msgr. Bernard George, Fr Raymund Mendel, Fr Tom Breslin, Fr Charles Coleman, Fr Gerard Collins, Fr Trevor Clarke, Canon John Newsham, Sheila Berry, Ronald Bradley, Jean Ann Barnsley, Bob Durman, Edmund Ashton, Ronald Baines, Doreen Callon, Thomas Redmond, Mary McKeown, Lilian Dunn, Margaret Connor, Eva Whittam:

Eternal rest grant unto them O Lord: May they rest in peace: Amen

#### PARISH NOTES

THIS WEEKEND we journey into the second week of preparation for the celebration of the Lord's Nativity. John the Baptist calls us to prepare by repentance.

At **St Anne's Buxton** on Monday at 10am and 7pm, Advent services of Reconciliation are being held. All are welcome.

Next Saturday morning at 11am at **All Saints Glossop**, another Advent reconciliation service is offered. Again - all are welcome.