



Parish of St Michael, the Archangel, Huntingdon and community at Papworth Everard

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4th Sunday of Advent: Year C

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SATURDAY 22nd December
Parish Church, Papworth Everard, CB23 3QN

18.00 Mass For the people of the parish

SUNDAY 23rd December

09.00 Mass George & Josie Aldridge

11.00 Mass Hackett family

15.30 Mass in Polish

MONDAY 24th December: Feria

09.30 Mass Bernard Power

10.00 Confessions

CHRISTMAS EVE

18.00 Syro-Malabar Mass at Papworth

18.00 Mass: Shryane family

21.00 Mass Pat Kelly

CHRISTMAS DAY

10.00 Mass For the people of the parish

15.30 Mass in Polish

WEDNESDAY 26th December:

St Stephen

No Mass today

THURSDAY 27th December:

St John, the Evangelist

10.00 Mass Hart Family

FRIDAY 28th December:

Holy Innocents

10.00 Mass Kathleen McHugh

SATURDAY 29th December:

St Thomas Beckett

10.00 Mass Mary Dolan

18.00 Mass: Vigil Mass.

Parish Church, Papworth Everard

Your prayers are asked for:

Our parishioners who are sick: George Aldridge, Margaret Antoniades, Ellen Brown, Joan Clancy, Frank Cullen, Lily Donald, Bridget Gaynor, Peter Hackett, and Josephine Murphy. May the Lord reach out his healing hand to them.

For those whose anniversaries occur at this time: John Green, Antoni Cyganic, Michael Ellul, James Devlin, Scott O'Sullivan, Charles O'Beirne, Maria Marchewka, Kathleen Morrow and Paul Sturgeon. May they rest in peace.

National Cycle of Prayer: during Advent and Christmastide: please pray for the following intentions; openness to the Word of God; Migrants and refugees and expectant mothers.

If you are going into hospital, or if a relative or friend is in hospital, please let Fr Philip know so he can visit. We do not always get the names of patients & can miss people if you do not tell us they are in-patients. Thank you.

Collection for last weekend

Papworth	£43.00
St Michael's	£453.18
Standing Orders	£115.00
Total	£611.18

Thank you for your support of our parish.

Thank you very much for the very generous collection for the Dependent Priests' Fund which came to **£495.08**. There was also a very generous cheque for **£1,000** for this fund, thank you for your very generous support.

CONFESSIONS are available on **Monday 24th December** at 10.00. Please remember the room for confessions is now the Chapel of Our Lady, on the right of the Sanctuary.

CHILDREN'S MASS, GIFTS: we invite you to bring a food gift, tinned or dry produce, suitable for the Godmanchester Food Bank, to the Children's Mass on **Monday 24th December** at 18.00. The gifts will be delivered as soon as possible after Christmas.

DECORATING THE CHRISTMAS TREES: you are invited to bring your children along on Christmas Eve, **Monday 24th December**, for a short time to help decorate our Christmas trees in St Michael's Church. Please come at about 11.00 for half an hour or so.

CHRISTMAS DAY COLLECTION is your offering to the priest of the parish. It is possible to gift aid this donation, you will need a special envelope available at the back of the church. The GA goes to the parish.

VOTIVE CANDLE STAND in the Lady Chapel is now in use with candles provided. **PLEASE USE YOUR COMMON SENSE & BE CAREFUL.** We don't want another fire! Only use the votive lights provided, do not bring others; only place them in the cups on the stand; **DO NOT** put them on the wooden shelf, next to the wooden statue, wood burns; don't put lit candles on the lower tray, it is a fire hazard. If the cups are full, light your candle and then blow it out and leave it on the lower tray, it will be lit later. Sorry for all the rules, but we need to use our common sense and lots of care not to risk a fire.

MANY THANKS to the team of ladies and gentlemen who gave their time this week to polish the brasses around the Church and make them sparkle for Christmas. Thank you very much, great job!!

SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION: Bishop Alan will come to St Michael's to confirm some of our young people next year on **Thursday 4th July 2019**. Please book the date if you want to be confirmed. We will start a programme early in January. Young people to be confirmed need to be 13 years old, or older. I am sure there will be some older candidates as it is a few years since the last time Confirmation was given here.

SALE OF GOODS: there is a small gift sale in the GS Room **TODAY**. All money raised will be to support our parish. There are some raffle prizes to be collected, please collect today if possible.

2019 DIOCESAN YEAR BOOK is on sale at £2.00. It contains lots of information about the Diocese & a full liturgical calendar in the back.

FIRST COMMUNION CLASSES begin again on **Sunday 13th January** at 10.10 in the Presbytery. The classes are very short, so please try to be on time.

CHILDRENS' CATECHISM CLASSES will take a short break until after Christmas and begin again in the New Year.

CLEANERS THIS WEEK: Lorraine and Anthony Brooks and friends by Saturday 29th December. Many thanks.

CHAPEL OF OUR LADY on the right of the Sanctuary has now been restored for your devotion. The statue of our Lady is one that was in the Good Shepherd Church at Oxmoor. This chapel will also be the confession room. There is a step down into the chapel, so please be careful on entering.

GIFT AID ENVELOPES for next year will be available this weekend, please remember to collect your set. I encourage you to sign a Gift Aid form if you pay tax and give money to the Church and have not yet signed a form. Gift Aid is a very valuable source of income to our parish and does not cost you anything. I would also encourage you to make your regular donation to the Church by monthly standing order if you can, details below, this reduces the burden on the counters.

May God's blessing be with you and all your family this week.



Fourth Sunday in Advent



Come let us

Adore

Him

Merry

Christmas

To you all

