



Parish of St Michael, the Archangel, Huntingdon

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2nd Sunday of Advent Year A

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Psalter: Week 2

SATURDAY	3rd December	Vigil Mass
	18.00	Mass Maggie & Ian Stephenson
SUNDAY	4th December	
(LS)	09.00	Mass For the people of our parish
(LS)	11.00	Mass Finan family
	15.30	Mass in Polish
MONDAY	5th December: Feria	
(LS)	09.30	Mass Private Intention (G)
TUESDAY	6th December: Feria	
		No Mass today
WEDNESDAY	7th December:	
		St Ambrose
(LS)	09.30	Mass Christina, Leah & Gian Lucca
THURSDAY	8th December:	
		Immaculate Conception of Our Lady
(LS)	09.30	Mass Private Intention (T)
(LS)	10.15	Midweek meditation
FRIDAY	9th December: Feria	
(LS)	09.30	Mass Goolam Casmally +
SATURDAY	10th December:	
		Beatified Martyrs of East Anglia
(LS)	09.30	Mass Ann Southcote-Want +
	10.00	Confessions
	17.30	Confessions
		Vigil Mass. St Michael's, 18.00

PARKING: please park in Riverside car park, across the road, not in the streets behind the church. This also applies if you come to evening events in the Church.

SUNDAY COLLECTION: is given in the orange buckets near the doors & the card machine in the GS Room: please think of a Standing Order and Gift Aid.

TIME FOR CONFESSION extra time for Confessions on Saturday **17.30 – 17.50**. There is also the regular time for confessions on Saturday at 10.00. Please use these times to make your confession before Christmas. Fr Erico will come on **Saturday 10th December** for Portuguese confessions from 11.00.

Your prayers are asked for:

Our parishioners who are sick: Rita Anand, Ellen Brown, Terry Finbow, Bridget Gaynor, Patrick Moore, Anne McGovern, Paul Reddington, Rosa Ruggiero, Fr Ivan Weston & Nina Wiktorowicz. May the Lord reach out his healing hand to them.

For those whose anniversaries occur at this time: Peter Zirniss, Alfred Manners, Mary Woods, Patrick Flanagan, Gareth Davies, Rose McAuley, George Aldridge, Thomas Hughes, Margaret Gough, Nora Hughes & David Maile. May they rest in peace.

CANON PETER COLLINS who has been appointed by Pope Francis to be our next bishop, we welcome him to our Diocese as our Bishop, and we pray for him as he prepares to begin his ministry among us. He will be ordained Bishop on **14th December** at St John's Cathedral.

There will be a time of Adoration & Prayer for the new Bishop on **Sunday 11th December** at 17.00 – 18.00; please come to pray for him.

National Cycle of Prayer: during Advent and Christmastide we are asked to pray for the following intentions: Migrants & Refugees and Expectant Mothers.

If you are going into 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 where they are. Thank you.

CHRISTMAS CARDS for our parish fundraising are on sale from today, **£5 per pack of 10 cards**. If you want to take a few packs to sell elsewhere, please sign to say how many packs you are taking.

Last Sunday Collection:

Huntingdon:	£199.08
Standing Orders	£425.50
Total	£624.58

Thank you for your generous support of our parish community.

Retiring collection: next weekend for the Dependent Priests' Fund, supporting priests of our Diocese unable to work because of age or sickness. GA envelopes are available today.

ADVENT POSADA: the Posada statue of Joseph with his pregnant wife, Mary, on the way to Bethlehem is now available for you all. There is a list in the GS Room for you to sign to welcome the statue to your home for family prayer during Advent preparing for Christmas. When you sign the list to receive the statue, check who has it before you and after you so you can arrange to pass it on.

MASS TIMES FOR CHRISTMAS.

Christmas Masses at St Michael's

Saturday 24th December:

14.30 Syro-Malabar Mass

18.00 Evening Mass

22.00 Night Mass.

Sunday 25th December:

09.00 Morning Mass

11.00 Morning Mass

15.30 Mass in Polish

There will be no need to book for Masses this year.

WORLD GIFTS: catalogues from CAFOD; this is a way of supporting those in need through our Christmas giving, among all the gifts you buy for your family & friends don't forget one world gift. Do take a catalogue and see how you can help.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION: the next class for the children will be on **Sunday 11th December** at 10.00; there will also be a parents' meeting at the same time next Sunday.



FOOD BANK DONATIONS: our next collection for the foodbank is **Sunday, 4th December**. Sorry, I forgot the reminder! There will be a box near each door, for your donations. Please bring tins, dried food or toiletries as your donation.

We will have another collection of goods on **Sunday 18th December** as Christmas gifts

READERS & MINISTERS: the new rotas are being prepared over the next couple of weeks, if you wish to change your duties, please send an email to the parish office indicating your changes this week.

WEDNESDAY COFFEE MORNING as usual this week, hope you will drop in for a coffee and a chat.

CLEANERS THIS WEEK: Lorraine & Anthony Brooks on **Tuesday 6th December**. Thank you.

ADVENT BOOKS are available for you in the GS Room, just a short thought for each day during Advent and not expensive.

PILGRIMAGE TO LOURDES: we are planning a short visit to Lourdes, **May 15th – 18th 2023**, details are not confirmed yet, but if you are interested to join this group, please give your name or email to the office by 18th December.

EMERGENCY UKRAINIAN WINTER APPEAL launched by the Ukrainian Bishop in England, with support of our own Bishops will be run in partnership with Caritas Ukraine, Ukrainian Greek Catholic Church parishes in East and South Ukraine, as well as local NGOs. *"The cost of one food parcel, providing enough food for two people for a week will cost approximately £16. We hope to raise £160,000 allowing us to supply 10,000 food parcels to those most in need"*. If you wish to support this winter appeal, there will be a bowl on the font for donations, closing on **Sunday 18th December**.

LISTENING & PRAYER MINISTRY:

01603 957653.

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

Happy 2nd week of Advent!



O God, eternal Shepherd of the faithful, who has chosen your servant Peter as a successor to the Apostles and to preside over the

People of God in East Anglia:

grant him, we pray a spirit of counsel and fortitude a spirit of knowledge and piety, so that by word and example and faithful service, he may build up the Church in our Diocese to be a lasting sign of your Presence and Salvation. Through Christ our Lord.

Our Lady of Walsingham, pray for him

St Felix, pray for him

St Etheldreda, pray for him

St Edmund, pray for him.