



Parish of St Michael, the Archangel, Huntingdon

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3rd Sunday of Advent Year A

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SATURDAY 10th December Vigil Mass
18.00 Mass For the people of our parish

SUNDAY 11th December
(LS) 09.00 Mass Cullen family
(LS) 11.00 Mass Private Intention (T)
15.30 Mass in Polish
17.00 Adoration & Prayer for new Bishop

MONDAY 12th December: Feria
(LS) 09.30 Mass William Bennett +

TUESDAY 13th December:
St Lucy
No Mass today

WEDNESDAY 14th December:
St John of the Cross
No Mass today

THURSDAY 15th December:
(LS) 09.30 Mass O Ayanru
(LS) 10.15 Midweek meditation

FRIDAY 16th December: Feria
(LS) 09.30 Mass Stella Kuria

SATURDAY 17th December:
(LS) 09.30 Mass Patrick Wymbs +
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.

NO WEDNESDAY COFFEE MORNING

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: James McGuire, Michael Sheehy, Nuran Sonsil, Mary Newman, Katie Sims, Theresa Keeble, Emmanuel Dzockplence, Fricis Polis, James Clancy, Norah Tunesi, Thomas Lee, Eileen Pancia, Bridie Ahern, William Kennedy, Mary O'Riordan, Patricia Barker, James Malone and Alice Cope. May they rest in peace.

CANON PETER COLLINS will be ordained Bishop of our Diocese on **14th December** at St John's Cathedral, Norwich at 11.30 am. The Mass will be live streamed, join it from this link: **Cathedral of St John the Baptist, Norwich - YouTube**

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.

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: this weekend for the Dependent Priests' Fund, for details see over.

BUILDING PROJECT PROGRESS: the plans for our project were sent out to tender this week, the tenders are due back at the end of January 2023

DEPENDENT PRIESTS' FUND is the fund in our Diocese that supports priests who because of sickness are unable to work, or who have retired after a lifetime of service. There are GA envelopes at both doors. Please support our priests who have served well for many years.

ADVENT POSADA: the Posada statue of Joseph with his pregnant wife, Mary, on the way to Bethlehem is available, there are a few spaces on the list. 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: 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, 18th December**, this will be for our Christmas support. There will be a box near each door, for your donations. Please bring tins, dried food or toiletries as your donation.

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.

LISTENING & PRAYER MINISTRY:
01603 957653.

SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION 2023: we will begin a programme of preparation for the Sacrament of Confirmation for young people aged 14+. The first meeting will be for parents only on **Sunday 15th January 2023 at 17.00** in the GS Room.

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 UKRANIAN WINTER APPEAL launched by the Ukrainian Bishop in England, with support of our own Bishops. If you wish to support this winter appeal, there will be a bowl on the font for donations, closing on **Sunday 18th December**.

CLEANERS THIS WEEK: Christina Wolffe, Lorraine & Anthony Brooks on **Tuesday 13th December** at 10.00 am. Thank you.

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

CHRISTMAS CARDS for our parish fundraising are on sale from today, **£5 per pack of 10 cards**. So far we have sold £1100 worth of cards, thank you for your support for our building development fund.

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



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.