



Parish of St Michael, the Archangel, Huntingdon

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17th December 2023
3rd Sunday of Advent Year B
PMB p 87 Psalter: Week 3

SATURDAY 16th December: Vigil Mass
18.00 Mass Thanksgiving (R)

SUNDAY 17th December
(LS) 09.00 Mass Michael Breen +
(LS) 11.00 Mass For the people of our parish.
15.30 Mass in Polish

MONDAY 18th December: Feria
(LS) 09.30 Mass Ray Easton +

TUESDAY 19th December: Feria
No Mass today

WEDNESDAY 20th December: Feria
(LS) 09.30 Mass The Watts Family
16.30 Mass at Hinchingsbrooke Hospital

THURSDAY 21st December: Feria
(LS) 09.30 Mass Nora & Leonard Mitchell +
(LS) 10.00 *Midweek meditation*

FRIDAY 22nd December:
09.30 Mass Maja

SATURDAY 23rd December: Feria
(LS) 09.30 Mass
10.00 *Confessions*

Vigil Mass. St Michael's 18.00

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.

CONFESSIONS will be available after Mass this week, please be here for 10.00 and wait at the front of the Church.

Last Sunday Collections:

Huntingdon: £289.86
Standing Orders: £425.50
Card Reader: £194.00
Total £909.36

Thank you for supporting our parish.
Retiring collection this weekend for Dependent Priests' Fund, see newsletter & details below.
Please take a special GA envelope.

Your prayers are asked for:

Our parishioners who are sick: Martin Ahern, Rita Anand, Purgi Bloomfield, Ellen Brown, Eileen Dolan, Terry Finbow, Bridget Gaynor, Molly Hazell, Patrick Moore, Anne McGovern, Paul Reddington, Rosa Ruggiero, Wendy Shilleto, Rita Swann, Fr Ivan Weston & Nina Wiktorowicz. May the Lord reach out his healing hand to them.

For those whose anniversaries occur this week: Patricia Barker, James Malone, Alice Cope, Alice Crawford, William McCarthy, Constance Smith, Linda Darlow, Ann Turnbull, Anastasia Dewar, Christine Parsons, John Massicks, John Green and Antoni Cyganic. May they rest in peace.

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 MASS TIMES: Christmas Day is a Monday this year, this means you need to go to Mass for the 4th Sunday of Advent as usual, Masses at usual times, Saturday 18.00, Sunday 9.00 & 11.00.

Masses for Christmas begin with the first Masses of Christmas at **18.00 and 22.00** on Christmas Eve, 24th December; Mass on 25th December will be at **09.00 and 11.00**.

There will be a Polish Mass on Sunday 24th December at 15.30 as usual. Polish Mass on 25th December will be at 15.30 as usual.

HELP DECORATE THE CHRISTMAS TREE and the rest of the church, please come on **Friday 22nd December** about 10.30 for about an hour or so.

READERS & MINISTERS FOR CHRISTMAS if you would like to read or minister at any of the Christmas Masses, please sign your name on the list in the GS Room.

DEPENDENT PRIESTS FUND COLLECTION

Fr. Simon Blakesley, Chair of the Trustees, writes: "We are still relying on the kind generosity of all of you to support priests in mainly medical, but also in general need. In this we are not supported by the specifically retirement needs focus of 'Alive in Faith' and we are an **independent charity** run by the priests of the diocese, NOT by the Bishop or the Curia.

Please do **Gift Aid** your support in the envelopes provided. For those needing or wishing to send payments to us by BACS our a/c details are Sort Code: 60-15-31. Account Number: 68085834. Name of Account: The East Anglia Dependent Priests Fund. Many thanks."

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION continues on **Sunday 17th December** at 10.00; there is also a parents' meeting that day in the Church at 10.00. Please make sure you attend.

The next meeting will be on **Sunday 7th January 2024** at 10.00.

ADVENT/CHRISTMAS RAFFLE: this is the last chance to buy tickets for the raffle (lotto), the draw will be made on **Sunday 17th December**, after 11.00 Mass in the GS Room.

CHRISTMAS CARDS: last chance for our parish cards in the GS Room supporting our parish, **£5 for a pack of 10 cards** cash or card.

SUNDAY COLLECTION: in the orange buckets near the doors & the card reader in the GS Room.

PLEASE GIFT AID YOUR DONATION to our parish to maximise your gift. If you pay tax, we can claim 25% extra on your donation, at no extra cost to you: £5.00 will be £6.25; £10.00 will be £12.50. All you have to do is complete a short form and allow us to track your gift. Forms still available.

QUIZ & PIZZA many thanks to all who took part in this event last Saturday, it was a very good evening and enjoyed by all; we raised **£80**. Thanks to Jonathan Salt for being our quiz master, well done!

CLEANERS THIS WEEK: members of the Syro-Malabar Community on **Saturday 23rd December**. Thank you.

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.

ADVENT POSADA: the Posada statue is on its journey round our parish families. The list is almost complete, wonderful to have so many families joining in family prayer together.

CHRISTMAS SALE a few gifts still available, please have a look and support us if you can, weather permitting the sale will be outside the front of the Church after Masses.

COFFEE MORNING: there will be coffee morning this week after Mass on Wednesday as usual.

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.

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

