



Heart to Heart

Newsletter of the Sacred Heart of Jesus Parish, Luton – Registered Charity Number 234091
Diocese of Northampton, Deanery of St Alban

THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT

Psalter Week 3 - Year A - Sunday 11th December 2022

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COVID-19 GUIDANCE: Anyone displaying Covid-19 type symptoms should not attend Mass.

PARISH OFFICE: The Parish Office is open Monday, Wednesday, Friday from 10.00am until 12 Noon. When leaving a voicemail message please state the date and leave a contact number.

Saturday 10 th December	11.00am 5.45pm 6.30pm	Confession Evening Prayer Sr Denise Bissonnette RIP	
Sunday 11 th December	8.15am 9.00am 11.00am	Morning Prayer Mr & Mrs Julio Lubuguin Rufina RIP Colin Hurst RIP	THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT
Monday 12 th December	9.30am	Jim Purcell (Intentions)	
Tuesday 13 th December	9.30am	Thanksgiving DaCosta Family	St Lucy
Wednesday 14 th December	9.30am	Daniel Gois RIP	St John of the Cross
Thursday 15 th December	9.30am	Arthur Stuart McNaughtan RIP	
Friday 16 th December	9.30am	Michael Gear RIP	
Saturday 17 th December	11.00am 5.45pm 6.30pm	Confession Evening Prayer Deceased Members of the Gois Family	
Sunday 18 th December	8.15am 9.00am 11.00am	Morning Prayer Pat Brennan RIP (1 st Anniversary) Davide Nilletti RIP	FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT Day of Prayer for Expectant Mothers

Entrance Antiphon	Rejoice in the Lord always; again I say, rejoice. Indeed, the Lord is near.
Psalm Response	Come, Lord, and save us.
Gospel Acclamation	Alleluia, alleluia! The Spirit of the Lord has been given to me. He has sent me to bring good news to the poor. Alleluia!
Communion Antiphon	Say to the faint of heart: Be strong and do not fear. Behold, our God will come, and he will save us.

SACRED HEART MASS TIMES FOR CHRISTMAS 2022:

Saturday 24th December Christmas Eve: Carols 6.15pm followed by 6.30pm Mass
Carols 9.30pm followed by 10.00pm Mass

Sunday 25th December, The Nativity of Our Lord: 9.00am Mass & 11.00am Mass

Monday 26th December, St Stephen: 10.00am Mass

Tuesday 27th December, St John the Apostle: 10.00am Mass

TOWN PENITENTIAL SERVICE FOR ADVENT: 19th December 2022, 7.00pm at Holy Ghost Church, Westbourne Road, Luton LU4 8JD. (See Poster on the Noticeboard.)

CONFESSIONS FOR ADVENT: Confessions will be available at Sacred Heart Church after the 9.30am Mass on Thursday 22nd December and after the 9.30am Mass on Friday 23rd December and also at 11.00am on Saturday 24th December.

RIP: Please pray for Peter Lyons who died recently. Please keep Peter, his family and friends in your thoughts and prayers at this very sad and difficult time.
Requiem 1.00pm Monday 19th December at Sacred Heart.

ED DUGGAN RIP: Ed's wife Kay and daughter Kathy would like to express their thanks for all the Mass Cards and messages of sympathy received together with the kind words of comfort and support offered following the sudden loss of Ed. Mass will be offered in thanksgiving for your intentions.

EVENING PRAYER ON SATURDAYS AND MORNING PRAYER ON SUNDAYS: Everyone is welcome to join us for these services as we pray with the Church throughout the world.

DRESSING THE PARISH CHRISTMAS TREE: We would welcome help on Thursday 15th December after the 9.30am morning Mass to dress the Christmas tree and prepare the Christmas Crib. Refreshments afterwards. If you are able to help, please see Maurice. Thank you.

JOIN OUR BIG FAMILY CHRISTMAS AND HELP FEED HUNGRY CHILDREN WITH MARY'S MEALS: For just £15.90 you can set a place for yourself or a loved one at our virtual Christmas dinner table. Your name will appear online and you'll receive a beautiful PDF placemat to pass on as a gift. Double The Love, donations to Mary's Meals until 31st January 2023 are being matched by a group of generous supporters – up to £1.5 million. This means each place set will feed two children with life-changing school meals for a whole year! Visit:
<https://bigfamilychristmas.marysmeals.org.uk/big-family-christmas-table/>

SMA: Please give the names for Christmas Masses to Judy as soon as possible.

CAROL SERVICE: Saturday 10th December – Carol Service followed by refreshments Our Lady Help of Christians, 52 Castle Street, Luton, LU1 3AG, 4.30pm. All welcome!

MASS FOR THOSE WITH SPECIAL NEEDS: St Joseph's Catholic Church, Leagrave on Sunday 11th December at 3.00pm. New families always welcome. Contact Sean on 07930 305362.

CAROL SERVICE: At Cardinal Newman Catholic School on Monday 12th December at 7pm. All are very welcome to attend. To book a free ticket please visit:
www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/cns-carol-service-tickets-479137933457

CAROLS IN SACRED HEART CHURCH CAR PARK: Wednesday 14th December at 6.00pm marks the annual Doorstep Carol event - come and join us in our car park to sing carols for our local community - wrap up well, bring a torch, bring some friends. Refreshments will be available afterwards. Just to assure you if wet, we can sing in the church porch and the alcove. Visit: <https://www.doorstepcarols.co.uk/>

RORATE MASS: Mass by candlelight in honour of our Lady on Friday 16th December at 6.30am at Holy Ghost Church, Westbourne Road, Luton LU4 8JD.

YOUNG ADULTS BRUNCH EVENT - RETREAT DAY: On December 17th, NYMO are hosting an extended Young Adults Brunch, with Adoration, Faith Formation, Food, Fellowship, Mass, and two amazing guest speakers, Joanna Bogle, and from the US, Meg Hunter-Kilmer. (Be sure to bring a Bible with you!) We invite you to join us for this free event, from 10am to start the day with Adoration, at Our Lady Help of Christians, Luton. For full details on location and times, please see nymo.org/brunch. Age 18-35.

CHRISTMAS JUMPER SUNDAY: Come along to the 11.00am Mass on **Sunday 18th December** in your best Christmas jumper. After Mass there will be festive treats in the hall, and a Christmas jumper competition - only £1 to enter and the chance to win a cash prize!

LOVE CHRISTMAS CAMPAIGN 2022: Sacred Heart Parish has registered with Caritas Northampton to participate in this campaign. Thank you to all who have already donated gifts. This weekend is the last chance to donate simple Christmas Gifts for children, families and the elderly living in poverty or alone, as well as young carers and children from broken homes or in care this Christmas. Please see the Noticeboard for a list of suggested gifts and ideas. Donations will **NOT** be accepted at Sacred Heart after 11th December 2022.

CHRISTMAS DINNER: Mary Maybury would like to invite those of you who will be on their own or unable to prepare a full Christmas Dinner to come and celebrate and enjoy a 4 Course Christmas Dinner with others at St John's R.C. Church Hall, 296 Sundon Park Road, Luton, LU3 3AL on Christmas Day at 1:30pm to 5pm. Cost: Donations Only.
(Transport will be provided if there are enough volunteers who can provide transport.)
Volunteers are also required. Please contact Tracey McIntyre on 07741 381790 to book your place or volunteer.

ANNIVERSARIES: Please pray for those whose anniversaries occur at this time:
Frank Nemeth 1998; Baby Keiden Lansangan 2017; Mary Kinnane 1959;
Charles Gauron 1976; William Fleming 1977; Baby Nicola Lemmon 1987;
Martin McDonald 1997; Patricia Gallagher 2013; Baby Michelle Coleman 1981;
John MacGuire 1984; Charles Graham 1964; Colin Reynolds 1968;
Catherine Higgins 1989; Frances Edmunds 1995; Mary Murray 2001; Margaret O'Riley 2002;
Michael Gear 2020; Arthur Stuart James McNaughtan 2019; Emelia Ceresale 1975;
John Morrissey 1983; Mary McCaffrey 1996; Patrick (Pat) Brennan 2021 ✕ **May their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed through the mercy of God rest in peace. Amen.**