

St. Mary's, St. John Bosco, and St. Edward's

Second Week of Advent - Psalter Week 2

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Saturday 7th December – Anticipation of Second Sunday of Advent

2pm St. John Bosco **Konkani Mass**

3pm St. Edward's **Nativity Carol Service**

4pm St. Mary's **Nine Lessons and Carols Rehearsal**

5:30pm – 5:50pm **Confessions**

6pm St. John Bosco, **Holy Mass** All Parishioners

Sunday 8th December – Second Sunday of Advent

9am St. Edwards, **Holy Mass** Krystyna Aftanska RIP

11am St. Mary's, **Holy Mass** Marion Peutrill RIP

Confessions after 11am Mass

Tea, Coffee and Biscuits after both morning Masses in the halls

Retiring Collections: Poor and Needy Parishes

Monday 9th December – The Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary, Patron of our Diocese - Solemnity

10am St. Mary's, **Holy Mass** All Parishioners

Confession after 10am Mass

7pm St. Edward's, **Advent Reflections**

Tuesday 10th December – Advent Feria

10am St John Bosco, **Holy Mass** Alma Robinson RIP

Confession after 10am Mass

12pm St John Bosco Hall, **Friendship Club**

6pm – 7pm St. Mary's Hall, **Young Adult's Group**

7:10pm St. Mary's, **Exposition, Adoration and Benediction**

7:45pm St. Mary's Hall, This is our Faith Catechesis, All Welcome

Wednesday 11th December – Advent Feria

10am St. Edward's, **Holy Mass** Margaret McDonald RIP

Confession after 10am Mass

12pm St Edward's Hall. **Winter Club**, Soup and a film

7:30pm St. Mary's Hall, **Confirmation Course**

Thursday 12th December – Advent Feria

10am St. Mary's, **Holy Mass** Bill McCay RIP

Friday 13th December – Saint Lucy, Virgin and Martyr

1pm-4pm St. Edward's, **Chat, Craft & Games**

Saturday 14th December – Anticipation of Third Sunday of Advent – Gaudete Sunday

9:30am HMP Fosse Way, **Holy Mass** Prisoners' Intentions

4pm St. Mary's **Nine Lessons and Carols Rehearsal**

5:30pm – 5:50pm **Confessions**

6pm St. John Bosco, **Holy Mass** Tony and Margaret Gallagher RIP

Sunday 15th December – Third Sunday of Advent – Gaudete Sunday

9am St. Edwards, **Holy Mass** John & Maggie Heaney and Family

11am St. Mary's, **Holy Mass** Michelle Brennan

Confession after 11am Mass

Tea, Coffee and Biscuits after both morning Masses in the halls.

4pm St Mary's **9 Lessons and Carols** All Welcome

Questions 112 – 114 of the Penny Catechism

112. By what means are sins forgiven?

Sins are forgiven principally by the Sacraments of Baptism and Penance.

113. What is sin?

Sin is an offence against God, by any thought, word, deed, or omission against the law of God.

114. How many kinds of sin are there?

There are two kinds of sin, original sin and actual sin.

Finances	Balance as of 6/12/24	Change from 14/11/24
SM & SJB	£38,139.72	+£3,947.61
SE	£37,064.01	-£211.96

Donations via Bank Transfer

Acc. Name: St Mary and St J B S Wigston RCP

Sort Code: 30-15-97, Account Number: 00346385

Acc. Name: St Edward Conf Leicester RCP

Sort Code: 30-15-97, Account Number: 00554352

Please Remember in Your Prayers:

Donald Ludden RIP, Rosemary Fallows RIP, Leonard Rouse RIP, and John Newlands, Keith Moore, Laurence and Margaret Toner, Keith B

Extra Mass on the Immaculate Conception – Monday 9th of December

There will be an extra Mass at St. Mary's on Monday the 9th of December at **10am** to celebrate the Immaculate Conception of our Blessed Lady, Patron of our Diocese.

Christmas Fayre: Thank you to everyone who supported this event in any way. The Fayre raised **£2,950**

Nine Lessons and Carols: This is a big Parish event for Advent which is taking place on **Sunday 15th December in St Mary's church at 4pm**. We have children and young people from all three churches taking part in the Nativity tableaux and doing the readings. Thanks to Julie, we even have our own new set of costumes!! **It would be lovely if musicians and singers from all three churches came to join us as well.** Rehearsals for music, acting and reading will take place on Saturdays 7th and 14th December at 4pm in St Mary's. If you can't make the 7th you can still join us on the 14th. The event itself will be followed by mulled wine and mince pies in the hall. If your friends and neighbours are not regular church goers, but do enjoy Carols, please invite them to come along. It would be a great introduction to the Parish.

Christmas Poinsettias at St. Edward's: With the season of Christmas approaching, you are invited to donate a Poinsettia plant in memory of a loved one. The plants will be used for the decoration of the church and crib over Christmas tide. Plants can be brought to St. Edward's on Sunday 22nd December. Tags will be provided for your loved ones' names to be placed in the pots. Or alternatively you may donate £10 towards a poinsettia plant.

Repositories: All three churches now have supplies of Advent candles, Christian Christmas cards, remembrance candles, Mass cards etc. at very reasonable prices. We also have Sympathy and Get Well cards on order. Do have a look and purchase what you need. If you require anything that is not there, please let Hilari know and we will see if we can acquire it for you.

Revised Missals: Many people have asked for copies, or extra copies, of the revised Missal which were not on the original order. After negotiation with the publishers, we have managed to acquire another 50 copies at 20% discount rather than the original 25%. This means the copies will cost £16 rather than £15. This is still very much cheaper than buying them individually. The new order should be arriving soon and will be available in the church repositories.

Thank you Deacon Kevin

Fr. John would like to extend a very big thank you to Deacon Kevin O'Connor for all the help, support and assistance he has offered this year and every other year, it has been invaluable. Thank you, Kevin, for your continued ministry amongst us.

Altar Servers requested for St. Edward's

Buildings and Maintenance help requested for St. Mary's and St. John Bosco

Contact: cathparishmje@dioceseofnottingham.uk to offer your service.

Sick and Vulnerable Parishioners

If you know of any sick, vulnerable or housebound parishioners who would desire a visit from someone at Church please do let us know so that they do not feel left out of parish life.

Christmas offerings, mass stipends and stole fees are banked for the parish.

If you wish to give a monetary gift directly to Fr. John at Christmas, please ensure it is in an envelope marked for his attention and NOT in a Christmas Offering envelope as these will be banked as per the weekly collection.

Looking Ahead to Christmas:

Tuesday **24 December 4pm** St. John Bosco **Vigil Mass of Christmas**

Tuesday **24 December 11:30pm** St. Mary's **Carols**

Followed by **25 December 12am** St. Mary's **Midnight Mass**

Wednesday **25 December 10am** St. Edward's **Mass of Christmas Day**

With every blessing for the coming week. Fr. John

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