



The Church of The Holy Souls'

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Mass Timetable for week beginning "First Sunday of Advent"

Date	Feast	Time	Church	Intention
Sunday 1st December 2019	First Sunday Of Advent	9.00 am 9.00 am 11.00 am 11.15 am 4.30 pm Polish 6.30 pm 7.30 pm Reception	Holy Souls' St Norbert's St Bernadette's St Thomas' Holy Souls Holy Souls Holy Souls	James Neary & Family RIP TBA TBA TBA Polish Priest's Intentions Margaret Windsor RIP Davide Madeo RIP
Monday 2nd	Advent Feria	10.30 am Requiem 7.00 pm	Holy Souls Corpus Christi	Davide Madeo RIP Deanery Penitential Service
Tuesday 3rd	St Francis Xavier	9.00 am 9.30 am Polish 10.00 am	Holy Souls Holy Souls St Norbert's	Clarke Family Deceased Polish Priest's Intentions TBA
Wednesday 4th	Advent Feria	10.00 am 1.30 pm Requiem	St Thomas' St Bernadette's	TBA TBA
Thursday 5th	Advent Feria	9.00 am 9.30 am Polish 12.00 noon Requiem	Holy Souls Holy Souls St Bernadette's	Peter Nguyen Ngoc Hoi RIP Polish Priest's Intentions TBA
First Friday 6th	Advent Feria	9.30 am Polish 10.00 am 12.45 pm School	Holy Souls St Thomas' St Bede's Sch	Polish Priest's Intentions TBA TBA
Saturday 7th December 2019	Advent Feria	9.00-9.20 am 9.30 am 10.30 am Polish 5.30 pm 6.00 pm	Holy Souls Holy Souls Holy Souls Winterton St Bernadette's	Confessions Peter Nguyen Ngoc Hoi RIP Polish Priest's Intentions Polish Priest's Intentions TBA
Sunday 8th December 2019	Second Sunday Of Advent	9.00 am 9.00 am 11.00 am 11.15 am 4.30 pm Polish 6.30 pm	Holy Souls' St Norbert's St Bernadette's St Thomas' Holy Souls Holy Souls	Rosemary Hornsby RIP TBA TBA TBA Polish Priest's Intentions Bernard and Mary Dooley RIP

Pope Francis 'Tweet of the Week':

How important it is to learn to be a friendly and outstretched hand! Try to grow in friendship even with those who think differently than you, so that solidarity might grow among you and become the best weapon to change the course of history.

Please pray for:

Davide Madeo and all those who have died recently, may they rest in peace; for their families at this difficult time; for those whose anniversaries occur at this time; for all who are sick and housebound.
The Pope's Prayer Intention for December 2019. Universal: that every country determine to take the necessary measures to make the future of the very young, especially those who suffer, a priority.

Scunthorpe General Hospital - please contact the Clergy (01724 844895) if you, or a loved one, is in Hospital and would like a visit.

Please join us in the Parish Hall for tea and coffee after the 9.00 am Sunday Mass

The Canon Comments

With the beginning of Advent, we turn to the idea of the coming of Christ, in history (that is, at Bethlehem), in mystery (that is, in the Church), and in majesty (that is, as at the end of time). First we turn to the vision of the peace which Christ brings, and for which we all yearn. The hill on which Jerusalem lies is not a particularly high one, but when Christ comes it will be a towering mountain, dominating the whole country. All nations will realise its importance and come to Jerusalem to draw salvation from it. The permanent ending of war and strife is signalled by the remoulding of the weapons of war. You cannot make war if you have converted your tanks into chicken houses and your aircraft carriers into skateboard parks - the modern equivalent of swords into ploughshares and swords into sickles. So, Advent is a time of peace, peace between nations, but also peace between families and within families, a time of reconciliation of quarrels as we prepare for the coming of Christ at Christmas. (HW)

Canon Geoffrey

Advent Preparation

- * James Longden will be leading a choir practice each Sunday morning after the 9.00 am Sunday Mass; please do support this initiative.
- * **A thought for Advent** and in preparation for Christmas for the retired of our Parishes, why not consider coming along to a weekday Mass?

RCIA - Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults

The RCIA course continues on Monday at 7:30 pm at St Bernadette's Parish Centre. Anyone interested in becoming a Catholic is welcome and invited to contact Claude Barnett on 01724 855993. Further dates are: 9th December, 16th December, 6th January 2020, 13th January, 20th January, 27th January, 3rd February, 10th February, 17th February, 24th February, 2nd March, 9th March, 16th March, 23rd March, 30th March and 6th April (Holy Week).

Deanery Penitential Services

- ⇒ Monday 2nd December, 7.00 pm, at Corpus Christi, Cleethorpes.
- ⇒ Tuesday 10th December, 7.00 pm, at Holy Souls', Scunthorpe.

Macmillan Coffee Evening

Thursday, 12th December, 7.00 pm, Parish Hall. Donations of raffle prizes as well as items suitable to make up a Christmas Hamper would be most welcome and gratefully received. Please contact Michael McInerney on 01724 271531 or 07867 981230.

Lectio Divina Exposition and Blessing

Deacon Sebastian will be leading meetings once a month in the Church Hall at 5.30 pm; the purpose of which is establishing a relationship with the true living Jesus Christ. We will learn to pray using the Holy Bible and our own words and our lives. There will be time for group discussion and individual prayer in presence of Jesus in the Holy Sacrament. It would be very helpful if you could you bring your own Holy Bible. If you would like to stop, calm down and hear His Word . . . you will be most welcome! The dates are: 14 December 2019, 11 January 2020, 8 February 2020, 14 March 2020, 4 April 2020, 2 May 2020, 6 June 2020 and 4 July 2020.

St Bede's Carols by Candlelight

On Tuesday 17th December at 6.30 pm. All welcome.

Gifts for The Forge

Donations of gloves, scarves, hats, socks, single deodorants, toothpaste, toothbrushes, soap, razor blades, aftershave and other such practical items would be very much appreciated to help the homeless and less fortunate members of our communities. These can be left in the Sacristy - thank you.

Thank You

Sincere thanks to all who contributed and supported last week's Craft Fayre.

Stitch'n'Chat

In the Parish Hall on Wednesdays from 1.30 to 3.30 pm. All welcome.

Advent Treasure Map

'Squares' on sale at a £1 each; now available at the back of Church. Please buy a square or two and help raise funds for the Parish coffers.

Ongoing 'Works'

- * **The Presbytery.** Work has commenced, ie decorating and necessary repairs to the interior and exterior of the property. I am awaiting reports from the electrician and gas plumber regarding the electric and gas appliances in the house. I am also awaiting prices for the installation of sympathetic security grilles to the windows at the rear and side of the house, the refurbishment of the wrought iron works around the Church grounds, wooden gates and fences and the exterior noticeboards. I would be grateful if somebody could put me in touch with a sign writer.
- * **Church.** The works in the organ alcove have all but been completed. Some wiring is to be boxed or chased in. There will be some more minor refurbishment works to be attended to, the nave skirting, floor patching and altar back. The statues of Our Lady and the Sacred Heart have been removed for refurbishment and hopefully will be returned in time for Christmas.

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Christmas Mass Schedule 2019

- **Holy Souls', Scunthorpe**
 - Christmas Eve 7.00 pm
 - 10.00 pm
 - 12 midnight (Polish)
 - Christmas Day 9.00 am
 - 4.30 pm (Polish)
- **St Norbert's, Crowle**
 - Christmas Day 9.00 am
- **St Thomas', Gainsborough**
 - Christmas Day 11.15 am
- **St Bernadette's, Scunthorpe**
 - Christmas Eve 6.00 pm
 - 10.00 pm
 - Christmas Day 9.00 am

Money Matters - 24th November

Loose plate	£TBA
Envelopes	£TBA
Total	£TBA

Thank you for your continued generosity