

## Readings for First Sunday of Advent

### First Reading

Isaiah 2:1-5

The vision of Isaiah son of Amoz, concerning Judah and Jerusalem. In the days to come the mountain of the Temple of the Lord shall tower above the mountains and be lifted higher than the hills. All the nations will stream to it, peoples without number will come to it; and they will say: Come, let us go up to the mountain of the Lord, to the Temple of the God of Jacob that he may teach us his ways so that we may walk in his paths; since the Law will go out from Zion, and the oracle of the Lord from Jerusalem. He will wield authority over the nations and adjudicate between many peoples; these will hammer their swords into ploughshares, their spears into sickles. Nation will not lift sword against nation, there will be no more training for war. O House of Jacob, come, let us walk in the light of the Lord. *The Word of the Lord.*

Ps: 12:1-2,4-9

[R]: *I rejoiced when I heard them say: 'Let us go to God's house.'*

### Second Reading

Romans 13:11-14

You know 'the time' has come: you must wake up now: our salvation is even nearer than it was when we were converted. The night is almost over, it will be daylight soon - let us give up all the things we prefer to do under the cover of the dark; let us arm ourselves and appear in the light. Let us live decently as people do in the daytime: no drunken orgies, no promiscuity or licentiousness, and no wrangling or jealousy. Let your armour be the Lord Jesus Christ.

*The Word of the Lord.*

**Gospel Acclamation:** *Alleluia, alleluia! Let us see, O Lord, your mercy and give us your saving help. Alleluia!*

### Gospel Reading

Matthew 24:37-44

Jesus said to his disciples: 'As it was in Noah's day, so will it be when the Son of Man comes. For in those days before the Flood people were eating, drinking, taking wives, taking husbands, right up to the day Noah went into the ark, and they suspected nothing till the Flood came and swept all away. It will be like this when the Son of Man comes. Then of two men in the fields one is taken, one left; of two women at the millstone grinding, one is taken, one left. 'So stay awake, because you do not know the day when your master is coming. You may be quite sure of this that if the householder had known at what time of the night the burglar would come, he would have stayed awake and would not have allowed anyone to break through the wall of his house. Therefore, you too must stand ready because the Son of Man is coming at an hour you do not expect.' *The Gospel of the Lord.*

**Mystery of Faith:** *When we eat this Bread and drink this Cup, we proclaim your Death, O Lord, until you come again.*



Holy Souls' Catholic Church

# The Reminder

Holy Souls' Presbytery, Frodingham Road, Scunthorpe, DN15 7TA

**Sunday, 1st December 2013**

**First Sunday of Advent - Year C**

## Timetable for the Week

Day	Time	Intention
<b>Saturday</b> 30th November 2013 <i>Dedication of our Church</i>	9.30 am 10.30 am Polish 5.30 pm Winterton 5.30 pm	Foundation Mass Polish Priest's Intentions John Campbell RIP James Neary RIP
<b>Sunday</b> 1st December 2013 <i>First Sunday of Advent</i>	9.30 am 4.30 pm Polish 6.30 pm	Bridie Lynch RIP Polish Priest's Intentions People of the Parish
<b>Monday</b> <i>Advent Feria</i>	9.00 am 11.00 am Funeral	Jean Sharp RIP Moira Cadwallader RIP
<b>Tuesday</b> <i>St Frances Xavier</i>	9.00 am 9.30 am Polish	Mary & Bob Egan RIP Polish Priest's Intentions
<b>Wednesday</b> <i>Advent Feria</i>	12.00 noon	In Thanksgiving
<b>Thursday</b> <i>Advent Feria</i>	9.00 am 9.30 am Polish	Intentions Marie Prior Polish Priest's Intentions
<b>First Friday</b> <i>Advent Feria</i>	9.00 am 9.30 am Polish 7.00 pm Polish 7.00 pm Luddington	Fr John Feeley RIP Polish Priest's Intentions Confirmation Intentions Luddington people
<b>Saturday</b> 7th December 2013 <i>St Ambrose</i>	9.30 am 10.30 am Polish 5.30 pm Winterton 5.30 pm	Mary & Bernard Dooley RIP Polish Priest's Intentions People of the Parish Patrick & Isabella Reilly RIP
<b>Sunday</b> 8th December 2013 <i>2nd Sunday of Advent</i>	9.30 am 4.30 pm Polish 6.30 pm	James Neary RIP Polish Priest's Intentions George Smith RIP
<b>Rosary</b>	20 minutes before Mass Monday to Saturday	
<b>Confessions</b>	Saturday 11.00 am to 12 noon; 4.30 pm to 5.00 pm	
<b>Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament</b>	Wednesday 12.30-1.30 pm concluding with Benediction Holy Hour - Thursday 7.00-8.00 pm Saturday 4.30-5.15 pm concluding with Benediction	

### Parish Clergy:

Canon Edward Jarosz, Fr Benedict Abuo and Deacon Bernard Croft

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Parish Hall Bookings/Enquiries: 07542 715929

## This Week

### ***Advent Reading***

We have a few copies of the Advent edition of Bible Alive available at the back of Church with a reflection on the scripture readings for each day of Advent. The cover price is £2.25 but a donation of £2 will be very welcome. If you then wish to continue receiving the magazine there is a subscription form in the back.

### ***Parish Pastoral Council***

Next Meeting on Monday, 2nd December at 7.30 pm.

### ***MacMillan Charity Coffee Evening***

Tuesday, 3rd December - 7.00 pm. Raffle, bingo, cake stall etc. Admission £2. Good items needed, please contact Michael McNerney on 01724 271531 or 07867 981230.

### ***Vocations Prayer Group***

Tuesday, 3rd December - 7.30 pm at 45 Holme Drive, Burton Stather. All welcome. For further details ring Peter or Mary on 01724 721125.

### ***Polish Confirmation Mass***

We welcome the Rector of the Polish Catholic Mission who will be Confirming young Polish people from Scunthorpe, Lincoln, Grimsby and Goole on Friday evening (6th) at 7.00 pm. Please keep them in your prayers.

***Scunthorpe General Hospital*** – For the ministration of a Catholic priest contact Fr Eddy Jarosz or Fr Benedict Abuo on (01724) 842197

## Christmas Masses

	<u>English</u>	<u>Polish</u>
Christmas Eve	7.30 pm 10.00 pm	~ Midnight
Christmas Day	10.00 am	4.30 pm

## Year of Faith

The Year of Faith ended last weekend and a group of parishioners from Holy Souls attended the closing Mass at the Cathedral in Nottingham. It is good to look back on what has happened in our parish during this special time.

- ◆ The icon of Our Lady has been travelling around the homes and families of our parish.
- ◆ There was a series of talks on Vatican II and an opportunity to watch Bishop Malcolm's Year of Faith YouTube broadcasts.
- ◆ The Deanery pilgrimage to Rome.
- ◆ 40 hours of Eucharistic adoration for the feast of Corpus Christi.
- ◆ Our parish mission in July.
- ◆ Many of our regular activities (Deanery Station Masses, the Melwood Pilgrimage, etc) had a 'Year of Faith' character.
- ◆ A number of parishioners have begun the Bishop's Certificate in Catechesis course. Bishop Malcolm hopes that this course will be a lasting legacy of the Year of Faith for our Diocese.

There have been many opportunities; hopefully people took advantage of some of them at least. Although the Year of Faith may be over, our personal and communal journey of faith continues. Let us continue to pray for one another and support one another in whatever ways that we can.

### You are Living Stones

The proposals which the Autumn Update of You are Living Stones are available for download from [www.nottingham-diocese.org.uk](http://www.nottingham-diocese.org.uk) or from Fr Eddy. Please think and pray about them. Each Deanery has been asked to organise an Open Deanery Meeting to discuss the proposals further and our meeting is on Wednesday,

11th December at 7.30 pm in the Holy Souls' Parish Hall. All are welcome.

### Events for Advent

**Thursday 12th December - 7.00pm**  
"Christmas Cracker" Carol Concert by Scunthorpe Male Voice Choir. Tickets available from David Lisle on (01724) 843064, priced £5.00 for adults; children free. Proceeds to Parish funds.

**Saturday 14th December - 2.30 pm**  
Carol singing in town led by the Salvation Army band

**Tuesday 17th December - 7.30 pm**  
Deanery Penitential Service at St Bernadette's Church.

**Wednesday 18th December - 2.00 pm**  
Sacrament of the Sick and Benediction followed by seasonal refreshments. All welcome and we plan to arrange transport for housebound parishioners.

**Saturday 21st December - 3.00 pm**  
Parish family carol service

### Christmas Presents for the Forge

The Forge will be serving Christmas lunch for up to 80 persons and last year we provided a Christmas present for all their guests. We would like to do the same this year. We are looking for items such as scarves, gloves, toiletries, etc. The vast majority of the Forge users are men, but there are some women users too. Please bring items to the sacristy. We will have a packing and wrapping session on Saturday 21st December prior to our carol service.

### Readers Rota

We are always on the look out for new names to add to our readers rota. If you can help, please contact Fr Eddy.

### Thank You

The two retiring collections for the Philippines raised £900.

The offerings for the November Masses amounted to £375 for Lindsey Lodge. Many thanks for your generosity.