# St John the Baptist Catholic Church

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Purley

#### SUNDAY 1ST DECEMBER 2019 FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT PSALTER WEEK 3; PMB P 82

Parish Priest Assistant Priest	t	Canon John Weatherill Fr Francis Murphy Canon Frank O'Sullivan	johnweatherill@rcac francismurphy@rcac (retired)	· ·	D
Parish Secretary		Rebecca Roberts	purley@rcaos.org.uk		
Office Hours		Monday-Friday	09.00-13.00	)-13.00	
Hall Bookings		Barbara Baster	hallbookings@johnthebaptistpurley.org.uk		
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Sacraments & Devotions:		Regular Events and Activities:			
Confessions:	Saturdays:10:30-11:30 & 17.15-17.50		Charismatic Prayer:	Thursdays 10:45-12:15	
Baptisms:	Speak to the Priest after Mass		Food Hub Collection:	This Sunday 1st Decen	nber
Weddings:	gs: Min. 6 months' notice;		Singles' Lunch:	Next Sunday 8th 13.00	-15.00
contact Parish		Office	Sunday Coffee:	Faith into Action	
Adoration:	Saturdays: 10:30-11:30		Coffee in small hall:	After Wednesday Mass	
Rosary:	Fridays: 10:30 (For Peace)		SVP (in Small Hall):	Tuesdays 19:45	

### Please pray for those who have died recently,

and for those whose anniversaries are at this time, Ruth Horat, Bridget Prebble, Stuart Johncock, Kathleen Heath, Michael Long, Trevor Thompson, Maria Soos, Winifred Jones, Helena Garner, June Tester, Mary Mark, George David, Marion Bailey.

also for those unwell, Margaret Edwards, David Coates, Toni Kowal, Theodora-Angelica Acha, Joanne Walker, Celine McGill, Anne Brownsell, Patrick Sullivan, Jane Pollon, Alan Griffiths, Pat Atkins, Charmian Wickham, Eileen Delaney, John Stradling, John Lee, Douglas Johnston and Desmond Sheriff.

## Purley Food Hub "Christmas Lunch on Jesus Project 2019"

We want to deliver 150 Hampers again this year at a cost of £30 per hamper. We need lots of volunteers, you can help by:

- \* Sponsoring a hamper for £30 or making a donation towards one, our parish is having a collection this weekend after a short talk to explain how you can help. Training provided, contact Jean Ludlow at cloj.purleyfoodhub@icloud.com
- Toys for Joy- Last year we provided 200 children with 2 toys and we want to do the same this year.
- Full details of how you can help with the Hampers and Toys are provided on flyers, available from the Church porch.



Congratulations & Welcome to Gilbert Jasper James Insall who is to be baptised this weekend.

Last Sunday's Parish Offertory: £2,451.12 Last Week's 2nd Collection: £643.58 (Catholic Youth Work) This Weekend 2nd Collection: "Hampers" **Next Week: Christmas Flowers** 

#### **Next Sunday's Readings**

First:Isaiah 11:1-10

Psalm: 71(72):1-2,7-8,12-13,17

Second: Romans 15:4-9 Gospel: Matthew 3:1-12



#### **MASS INTENTIONS**

Sunday 1st December First Sunday of Advent 18.00 Margaret Mackay RIP

JFS08:30 Deceased members of the Mc Donogh & Axe families RIP 08:30 John Parsons RIP (Croydon Catenians) 10:00 Mrs S. M George RIP

**12:00** Lucia Mosconi RIP **18.00** Alfred Borg RIP

Monday 2nd December 07.30 Caroline Adams RIP 10.00 Stuart Young RIP

Tuesday 3rd December
St. Francis Xavier,
Memorial
07.30 Norman Luck RIP
10.00 Private Intention

### Wednesday 4th December

**07.30** Niall Coden RIP **10.00** Denis & Angela Hopkin Rip

Thursday 5th December 07.30 Holy Souls 10.00 Deceased relatives of the Murphy & Flynn families RIP

Friday 6th December 07.30 Holy Souls 10.00 David & Bridget Prebble RIP

Saturday 7th December St. Ambrose, Memorial 10.00 Annerose Hoppe RIP 18.00 Bridget Hannon RIP

Sunday 8th December Second Sunday of Advent JFS08:30 Maureen O'Shea RIP

08:30 Stan Liddiard RIP 10:00 Camille Sonaram Int. 12:00 Mr P.L Sixtus RIP 18.00 All parishioners

John Fisher Chapel Weekday Mass Schedule Mon -Tues Mass 08.10 Weds - Fri No Mass

#### **PARISH NEWS**

Advent Reflection: He who is, and was, and is to come:
The Holy Eucharist and the Meaning of Advent

Speaker: Fr. Pius Collins, o.praem.

Parish Hall Monday 2nd December at 19.30. Adoration after 10:00 Mass that day until 19:15.

The SVP are collecting Christmas Comforts for *Crisis* to distribute to homeless people around Christmas time:

There is a box in the church porch for contributions of <u>new</u> gloves, scarves, socks, and toiletries: toothpaste, deodorants, shampoos etc. Please think of the homeless and be generous this winter. Thank you.

**Mother Teresa Group:** We managed to provide 64 Christmas parcels for the Sisters of Mercy to distribute to the homeless and have passed on 5 bags of bandages and 50 knitted blankets for the Ukraine and 74 sets of baby vests and hats for Africa. Please keep placing any donations of wool in the box in the church porch. Thank you all for your support and generosity.

No December meeting. Christmas lunch at Coombe Lodge at 1pm on Wednesday December 4th.

**CWG- Reminder:** Christmas Party on Thursday December 5th, 20.00 in the small hall. It would be appreciated if those bringing food could arrive at 19.40.

**Senior Citizens Christmas Party:** Friday 6th December from 14.00-16.00 at Thomas More catholic school. Christmas carols, bingo, school choir and band, prizes and Christmas afternoon tea. Contact Mr Ogwuda 020 86686251- uog@tmore.org.uk

The John Fisher Association Christmas Trees: High Quality real Christmas trees on sale next Saturday 7th December from 09.00-15.00 at John Fisher playing fields, Plough Lane. Prices from £35. Pre-order or turn up, delivery available. Hot beverages and mince pies available. Full details on the notice board in the church porch.

Primary School Parish Priest Reference Forms: For primary school intake September 2020. Canon John will be <u>returning</u> reference forms on the following dates: Friday 13th December 18.00-19.00 and Saturday 14th December 11.00-12.00 in the parish hall. Please submit your child's form to us BEFORE THESE DATES.

Children's Christmas Eve Mass at 17.00: Please sign up by the 14th December if you would like your child to take part. Full details are provided on flyers available from the church porch.

**Confirmation 2020 - Year Eight pupils:** The programme of preparation will begin in March 2020 and continue through to June 2020 during term time. Sessions will take place on Monday evenings. Registration forms are now available from the Priest after Sunday Mass. Closing date for applications: 7th February 2020. The Mass for the Sacrament of Confirmation will take place on Sunday 14th June 2020 at 15.00.