



CATHOLIC PARISH OF ST BERNADETTE

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Seeking to revel in the Father's love; to proclaim Jesus as Lord; and to be alive in the Holy Spirit

THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT 16th December 2018

5.45pm Mass *Thanksgiving of Our Lady*

Sunday 16th December – THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT

10.30am Mass *Neil and Jenny*

3.00pm Adoration and a reflection on the Great 'O' Antiphons

4.00pm Youth Meeting

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT FOR ONE HOUR BEFORE MASS

Monday 17th December – Weekday of Advent II (O Wisdom)

No Mass

Tuesday 18th December – Weekday of Advent II (O Adonai)

11.00am Requiem Mass *Salvatore Rizzo RIP*

11.00am Christmas Service at ABC Centre, Chessington Avenue

7.00pm Beloved Disciples Part 4

Wednesday 19th December – Weekday of Advent II (O Root of Jesse)

9.30am Mass *Mick Wall RIP*

10.00am Coffee Morning

12.00pm Reading with God

7.00pm Film Night 'It's a Wonderful Life'

Thursday 20th December – Weekday of Advent II (O Key of David)

9.30am Mass *Crisis Team*

7.00pm Reconciliation Service

Friday 21st December – Weekday of Advent II (O Rising Sun)

9.00am Mass *Kath Filmer*

10.30am Funeral Service *Ann Willing RIP*

Saturday 22nd December – Weekday of Advent II (O King of the Nations)

9.00am Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

10.00am Mass *Vocations to the Priesthood*

5.45pm Mass *Hugh and Olive McCorry RIP*

CHRISTMAS OFFERING: The collection for Christmas is for the sole use of Fr Matt and is the main part of his annual income. Thanks for your generosity in advance.



*Confessions:
Sat 5pm – 5.30pm
or on request*

THE GREAT 'O' ANTIPHONS: These are the traditional seven antiphons recited at Evening Prayer in the Octave before Christmas, that more immediate preparation before Christmas. They relate to the prophecies of Isaiah and each is linked to a day between 17th and 23rd December. Some pictorial representations can be seen on St Bernadette's side of the church. There will be a reflection on these on Sunday afternoon during Adoration at 3pm.

CHRISTMAS FILM NIGHT: 'It's a Wonderful Life'. Come and watch this heart-warming black and white classic! Seasonal snacks and drinks will be served. This Wednesday at 7pm.

ADVENT & CHRISTMAS LEAFLETS: Please take home a copy of what is happening over Advent & Christmas. Please take some to pass on to family and friends who perhaps don't come to St Bernadette's very often.

REPOSITORY: Lots of great Christmas stock in the shop.

ADVENT HOLY HOURS:

Sunday 16th: Adoration and a reflection on the Great 'O' Antiphons

RECONCILIATION SERVICE: Fr Michael Healy will join Fr Matt in offering us all the opportunity to experience God's mercy in the Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession). Do not worry if you haven't been for a long time. The priests will help you. Take this opportunity to celebrate this beautiful Sacrament and allow the Lord to help you to grow in grace.

Thursday 20th December, 7pm.

There is also a reconciliation service with individual confessions at St Dunstan's, Keynsham at 7.30pm on Wednesday 19th and at St Pius X on Friday 21st at 7pm.

YOUNG CHILDREN'S CRIB SERVICE: A special service of prayers and carols, followed by refreshments. Come dressed as a nativity character. Sheep, shepherds, Josephs, Marys etc. are all welcome! Sunday 23rd December, 3pm

SOUP LUNCH: Thank you for your generosity at the soup lunch. £80 was sent to The Julian Trust.

DIOCESAN YEAR OF PRAYER: Clifton Diocese is inviting us to all enter into a year where we reflect more deeply on prayer. This follows last year's 'Year of Mission' and precedes a 'Year of Communion' in 2019/2020. Various resources are available, and these will be shared with different groups in the parish. We will have more opportunities to reflect on this in the new year.

PLEASE PRAY: For the repose of the souls of Salvatore Rizzo and Anne 'Connie' Willing. Their funerals will be celebrated this Tuesday 18th December at 11am and this Friday 21st December at 10.30am respectively. Please keep their families in your prayers too.

RECYCLING: For all users of the parish centre, please ensure that nothing is put in the waste bin that can be recycled. There is a recycling bin! Every little effort counts.

BELOVED DISCIPLES: Part 4 this Tuesday at 7pm.

LAST WEEK'S COLLECTION: £180.50 (Gift Aid) + £245.16 (Cash) + £197 (S/O) + £94.60 (Average Tax back) = £717.26 Thank you.