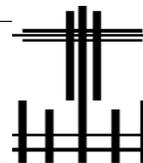


St. Edward The Confessor, Milton Keynes



Advent 1: Year B: December 10, 2017



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Liturgy

Today we begin the season of Advent. The liturgy, including the opening items, is overleaf.

Christmas help needed

The weekend rota don't operate for the Christmas Masses. So I need volunteer readers, Ministers and altar servers. Please leave a thumb-print or a signature on the sheets on the noticeboard.

I always say 'Please don't leave it until the last minute'. Is everyone listening?

A touch of sadness

Bronwyn Pullen, Kyle, Luke and Emily are emigrating to Australia this week. I shall miss them all very much. Needless to say our thanks and our very good wishes go with them.

Christmas flowers

Would anyone like to donate flowers for our Christmas decorations—or indeed make a financial donation. Have a word with Pat Partridge or Tina Hand.

Cards with the Christmas service times are on the foyer table.

Latecomers

Please be here for the start of Mass. If you are late wait in the foyer until a break in the proceedings, come into the church and **sit only on the back row on the right**. Don't walk round the church looking for a seat. It disrupts the sacred liturgy.

Christmas Church Clean

Send those cobwebs flying. Next Saturday, December 16, 10.00am.

The more the merrier and more sparkling.

Flowers ordered from Andrew are available this weekend.



The usual gentle reminder

By revered tradition in the diocese of Northampton the Christmas collection is your gift to your priest (and his bank manager).

Christmas Penitential Service

Monday, December 18, 7.30pm. The easy way to come clean.

Advent Project

This year we continue our usual Advent project, inviting you to bring in items of long-life food, which we shall then take to the Food Bank. I've already had a letter of thanks from the Boss-Lady.

Guild Sinners Christmas Concert

Here: December 13. Entrance free. Donations for blind & disabled welcomed. Refreshments available.

Your offering: December 3

1st: £380. 20

2nd: £61. 36:

Thank you

Weekend Masses: Sat. 6pm: Sun. 9.30am. Weekday Mass (in the chapel): Tuesday, 7.30pm. Wednesday to Friday: 9.30am. Reconciliation: Sat. 5.15-5.45pm and by appointment.

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Newcomers

Beware of predictions about Christmas Masses! However, the usual pattern in the past is that there isn't room to breathe at 8pm Christmas eve, (and you may not get a seat) but there isn't a crush on Christmas day.

Christmas Draw

Its next Sunday, December 17. Prizes include £50. Venture Photography Experience, Christmas Hamper. Make sure we have all counterfoils and cash.

Refreshments next Sunday

Pork wotsits after 9.30 Mass

Remember, remember

On Christmas Eve John Lane and his choristers lead carol singing and do their party pieces from 7.30pm. I hope they will finish at 7.55 prompt so that the Eucharist of the Lord's Nativity is seen to be a separate event.

Epiphany Celebration

They said 'We need your help. Do you have an epiphany phrase or greeting you could share during one of the weekend Masses, or bake and bring an epiphany cake to share... and we need children between the ages of 9 and 12 to hold flags. For more details see the sign-up sheet on the notice board.

Liturgy: Sunday 2 of Advent

Opening dialogue

Priest: He is a light shining in the dark
Everyone: A light the darkness cannot overcome.
Priest: He is hope for a world in despair
Everyone: The Lord who comes to save us.
Priest: Let all God's people cry out
Everyone: Come, Lord Jesus; come again.

Processional song

N.64: verses 5-8

Penitential rite

Choir: kyrie eleison
Everyone: kyrie eleison
Choir: Christe eleison
Everyone: Christe eleison
Choir: kyrie eleison, kyrie eleison, kyrie eleison
Everyone: kyrie eleison (3)

Psalm

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Response:

Let us see, O Lord, your mercy,
And give us your saving grace.

Gospel greeting

Prepare the way of the Lord. Prepare the way of the Lord, and all people will see the salvation of our God.

Prayer of the Faithful

Hymn book

Preparation of gifts

Hymn book

Holy, holy.

Sanctus, sanctus, sanctus, Dominus Deus Sabaoth
Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of hosts
Pleni sunt caeli et terra gloria tua.
They are full, heaven and earth, of your glory
Hosanna in excelsis.
Hosanna in the highest
Benedictus qui venit in nomine Domini,
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord
hosanna in excelsis.
Hosanna in the highest.

Acclamation

Save us, Saviour of the world
For by your cross and resurrection
You have set us free.

Doxology

Priest: Through him, with him and in him....
.....for ever and ever.
Everyone: Amen. Alleluia. For ever and ever. For ever,
alleluia. For ever and ever, amen.

Communion chant

Eat this bread, drink this cup
Come to me and never be hungry.
Eat this bread, drink this cup
Trust in me and you will not thirst.

Communion procession

Hymn book 938

Final hymn

N 116
