

The Parish of St Michael, the Archangel, Huntingdon

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Third Sunday of Advent Year A

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SATU	RDAY		13th December: Vigil Mass		
	18.00	Mass	For the people of our parish		
SUNDAY			14th December:		
			Private Intention		
(LS)	09.45	Mass	Augustinas & Romaulda +		
(LS)			Joy Vargheese +		
	15.30	Mass i	n Polish		
MONDAY			15th December: Feria		
(LS)	09.30	Mass	Teenagers & Young Adults		
	15.45	Funer	al Service, Loretta Morgan +		
Huntingdon Crematorium					
TUES	DAY		16th December: Feria		
No Mass today					
WEDNESDAY		Y	17th December: Feria		
(LS)	09.30	Mass	Thanksgiving (C)		
	16.30	Mass a	at Hinchingbrooke Hospital		
THURSDAY			18th December: Feria		
(LS)	09.30	Mass	Catherine Campbell +		
(LS)	10.00	Midwe	eek meditation & Adoration		
FRIDAY			19th December: Feria		
(LS)	09.30	Mass	Jostin		
	19.30	Servic	e of Reconciliation		
SATURDAY			20th December: Feria		
(LS)	09.30	Mass	Holy Souls		
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	16.00	Carol	Service		
Vigil Mass at St Michael's 18.00					
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Please park in Riverside car park, across the road, not in the streets behind the church. This also applies if you come to evening events in the Church.

SUNDAY COLLECTION: in the orange buckets near the doors & the card reader in the GS Room.

FR PETER RAJ: will be the new priest here, as I announced to you last weekend, he will arrive in February, I am sure you will make him very welcome, I think you will find him a very good pastor.

Your prayers are asked for:

Our parishioners who are sick: Rita Anand, Ray Arthurs, Jane Barker, Francesca Bastow, Purgi Bloomfield, David Burns, Eileen Dolan, Bridget Gaynor, Helene Harrison, Molly Hazell, Anthony Hunt, Patrick Moore, Anne McGovern, Paul Reddington, Rita Swann, Yoli Wells, Fr Ivan Weston, Ann Wilson. May the Lord reach out his healing hand to them.

For those whose anniversaries occur this week: Fricis Polis, James Clancy, Norah Tunesi, Thomas Lee, Eileen Pancia, Bridie Ahern, William Kennedy, Mary O'Riordan, Patricia Barker, James Malone, Alice Cope, Alice Crawford, William McCarthy, Constance Smith, Linda Darlow & Ann Turnbull. May they rest in peace.

ROMUALDA GRABIENE who died this week, may she rest in peace; may the Lord comfort her family at this time.

MICHAEL & MARTIN DELANEY who make their First Communion this weekend; may they grow in faith by sharing this great Sacrament.

Nation Cycle of Prayer: during Ordinary Time from September to Christ the King please pray for the following intentions: the care of creation; the harvest; students & teachers; the spread of the Gospel, especially on Home Mission Day & world Mission Day; prisoners & their families; all Victims of War & all our young people.

If you are going into hospital, please let Fr Philip know so he can visit. We do not always get the names of patients & can miss you if you do not tell us where they are. Thank you.

<u>PARISH CHRISTMAS CARDS</u> are on sale, last chance. Sending religious cards to friends or work colleagues is a witness to your Christian faith.

ADVENT POSADA STATUE has begun its journey round our parish families in preparation for welcoming Jesus into our homes anew at Christmas. If you wish to receive the statue for family prayer, please sign the list in the GS Room and leave your phone number. Please contact the person who has the statue the day after you do to arrange a handover.

L	₄ast Sunday Collecti	on
Huntingdon:	£262.70	
Standing Order	s £520.00	

Dona £244.00 **Total** £1.026.70

Thank you for your generous support of our parish community.

Retiring collection this weekend for the Dependent Priests' Fund, for our sick & retired priests.

PARISH PILGRIMAGE TO LOURDES: Change of dates: due to flight schedule we have to change the dates of our pilgrimage to Lourdes for 2026, the new dates will be **Wednesday 10th June** – **Saturday 13th June**. If you want to join this pilgrimage, booking will close on 5th January 2026. The total cost will be around £330 - £350 per person, sharing rooms; single supplement £30 per night.

CHRISTMAS SALE & RAFFLE will be on Sundays 14th & 21st December, with the raffle on 21st. We hope you will bring in items for sale and then support us on those two weekends. Also, if you can donate a raffle prize, that would be much appreciated.

<u>CAROL SERVICE</u>: we will have a Carol Service, of readings and carols for you to sing. The date is **Saturday 20th December at 16.00** followed by mince pies and mulled wine or soft drinks. Please come as part of your preparation for Christmas.

We invite children to come and form a choir to sing one or two carols during the service; there will be a practice on **Friday 19**th **December at 18.00** in the church; boys & girls I hope you can persuade your parents to bring you along.

SERVICE OF RECONCILIATION in preparation for Christmas will be on **Friday 19th December at 19.30**. I hope you will use this opportunity to seek forgiveness before Christmas. Confessions will be available in English, Spanish and Malayalam.

VOLUNTEERS SOUGHT TO SUPPORT SCHOOL ADMISSION APPEALS: the Diocese is seeking volunteers to serve as school admission appeals panel members, helping ensure parents' rights are upheld when a child is not offered a place at their preferred Catholic school. Anyone interested in volunteering or finding out more is invited to contact Helen Bates, by email at ssc@rcdea.org.uk or by telephone on 01508 495509.

CHRISTMAS MASS TIMES:

24th December:

14.00 Syro-Malabar Mass18.00 Christmas Evening Mass22.00 Christmas Night Mass

25th December:

09.00 Morning Mass 11.00 Morning Mass 15.30 Polish Mass

<u>DEPENDENT PRIESTS' FUND</u> collection is this weekend; we now have many retired priests & some who are ill & frail. These priests have served us well in the past, please support them in the collection this weekend. There are special GA envelopes for those who pay tax, please use them.

READERS & EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS are invited to sign up to minister at any of the Christmas Eve of Day Masses; as Mass times are different please disregard the rota for that day.

<u>COFFEE MORNING</u> on Wednesday as usual, after Mass, please stay for a drink and a chat.

<u>CLEANERS THIS WEEK:</u> members of the African community by **Saturday 20**th **December.** Thanks.

<u>LISTENING & PRAYER MINISTRY:</u> http://rcdea.org.uk/listening-and-prayer/

May God's blessing be with you and all your family this week.

