

Collections for Last Sunday

Parish	Gift Aid	Loose	Levy	Total	At Mass
Immaculate Conception	£169.00	£87.95	£66.97	£323.92	40
All Saints	£189.00	£97.55	£106.69	£393.24	102
St. John's	£101.00	£16.50	£22.00	£139.50	28
			Total	£856.66	212

All Saints Development Fund for the month of November was £641
Immaculate Conception 100 Club Winners. First: 90 Carol Smith; Second: 159 Ben Luff; Third: 76 Winnie Moore

Grateful thanks to everyone for your contributions and support.

Parish Notices

Walk with Me Advent 2018. A Booklet of Prayers and Reflections, are available today in the church porch at £1 each.

✠ "A Moment of Grace" Today is the first Sunday of month when we gather together at St. John's from 3pm-5pm.

✠ "Eucharist Adoration" First Thursday of the month will be held on Thursday 6th December at Immaculate Conception from 6-7pm.

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* **Immaculate Conception** Christmas lunch on Sunday December 2nd at Moose Hall. £8 adult & £4 child. Please give names to Yvonne or Tania

* **All Saints** Christmas Lunch. This will be held on Tuesday 4th Dec at 1pm. Names today please, apologies for such short notice.

* **All Saints** December Quiz is on Thursday 6th at 7 / 7.30pm all are welcome

* **St John's** Christmas Coffee Evening is in the hall on Friday December 7th at 6.30pm. Everyone is welcome.

* **Immaculate Conception** Christmas Raffle. Please return tickets by Sunday 9th December. If you wish to donate a prize, please add to the list on the noticeboard.

* **Bishop Hedley school** on 12th December 1-5 pm is our annual **community lunch and celebration**. Three course meal and entertainment from the learners. Free to all and transport provided. Please contact Robin Davies to book your place and to arrange transport



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First Sunday of Advent

2nd Dec 2018

Mass Book P82

Vigil	5:30pm	Immaculate Conception	Canon McCormack RIP Terence Keith Baxter RIP Ivy & Melvin Davies
First Sunday of Advent	9:00am	Immaculate Conception	All Departed Souls
	10:30am	All Saints	Pauline Jones RIP Margaret Phillips RIP
	5:30pm	St. John's	David (RIP) Terry and Gwen Buckley RIP Thanksgiving to God for the life of Sandra Jones
Monday 3rd	10:30am	St. John's	Thanksgiving to God from Kath and family
Tuesday 4th	6:30pm	Immaculate Conception	For The Pope's Intentions
Wed 5th	9:30am	All Saints	Adoration /Private Int. (Vince)
Thursday 6th	11:00am	All Saints	Funeral Service Thomas Joyce
Friday 7th	6:30pm	Immaculate Conception	Mary & Christopher Sheehy and Mary & Charles Butler and family
Saturday 8th	10:00am	All Saints	Horace, Theresa & Brian McCarthy RIP
Vigil	5:30pm	Immaculate Conception	
Second Sunday of Advent	9:00am	Immaculate Conception	
	10:30am	All Saints	Bill Worthington RIP Lionel Lewis RIP Karl O'Leary RIP
	5:30pm	St. John's	Ray Vaughan RIP

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION (CONFESSION)

All Saints: After Mass on Wednesday / Saturday
St. John's: Before Mass on Sunday and Monday
Immaculate Conception: Before Mass on Saturday and Sunday

VIGIL LAMPS

All Saints: Our Lady Holy Souls
All Saints: Sacred Heart Private Intention
Immaculate Conception: Our Lady Priests, Religious & Seminarians
Immaculate Conception: Sacred Heart The Pope, Cardinals & Nuncios

A reflection on **TODAY'S GOSPEL** Mark 13:33-37

The gospel highlights that we **can** miss the master of the house because we do not know when he is coming.

We **know** when the 'master of the house' is coming and **still** we can miss him!

Christmas can pass by many of us and we have little time for the main event and people of the mystery. Or we can hit it in spots.

Christmas itself is so busy, and often with very worthwhile events for the family. So the four weeks we begin today can ensure we don't miss it.

It is a time of thanks, as in the second reading: 'thanking God for all the graces you have received through Jesus Christ'.

As we wait for Christmas, we can make a prayer of thanks to God each day, for our faith and for the love we find and give in life.



† Rest in Peace

Please pray for the happy repose of the soul of Thomas Joyce whose Funeral Service will take place on Thursday 6th at 11am in All Saints. Please keep him and their families in your prayers. RIP

† *Please pray for the Parishioners of our Pastoral Area*

whose anniversary occurs at this time:

Margaret Beynon, Bridie Roberts, Vincent O'Shea, John McGuire, John O'Leary, David Jones, Betty Hand, John Hand, Allan Jones, Lucy Williams, Michael Lynch, Margaret Griffiths, Johanna Lewis, George Hopkins... Dennis Steven Burke, Philip Austin, Eileen Mary Desmond, Patricia Baines, Veronica Yandle, Glenys Simmons, Pauline Mary Thomas, Rosamond Jean Davies.

for the sick and housebound:

St John's: Mary Benjamin (Thomas), Margaret Jones, Peter Cavendar.

All Saints: Derek Kerwick, Maria Bevan, Maureen Matthews, John Godfrey, Norma Beecher, Kathleen Bennett, Margaret Williams, Joy Jones, Ron Paul, Maureen Hague, Melvyn Powell, Susan Lewis, Joan Neville, Jennifer

Immaculate Conception: Kath Thomas, Pam Williams, Brian & Mavis Garrett, Jeanette Badham, Yvonne Brown, Doris Norris, Kath Williams, Winnie Buckley, Louis Moorhead, Baby Isla, Rovon Jay Powell, Keyon Hughes, Gavin Hughes, Daniel Morgan Bennett

Anima Christi

Soul of Christ, sanctify me
Body of Christ, save me
Blood of Christ, inebriate me
Water from the side of Christ,
wash me
Passion of Christ, strengthen me
O good Jesus, hear me
Within Thy wounds hide me
Separated from Thee let me never be
From the malicious enemy defend me
In the hour of my death call me
And bid me come unto Thee
That I may praise Thee with Thy saints.
Forever and ever Amen

Prayer to St Michael the Archangel

**St. Michael the Archangel,
defend us in the day of battle.
Be our safeguard against the
wickedness and snares of the
Devil.
May God rebuke him, we
humbly pray and do thou,
Prince of the heavenly hosts,
by the power of God,
cast down to hell Satan,
and all wicked spirits,
who wander through the
world
for the ruin of souls.
Amen**