

ST GEORGE, BICKLEY

NEWSLETTER 17th NOVEMBER 2024

33rd in Ordinary Time/ Trinity 25

THIS IS SAFEGUARDING SUNDAY when we think particularly about how we are keeping our church members safe. See the Bishop of Rochester's sermon.

TODAY AT 12.30 we baptize Clara Westerman. Please pray for Clara, and for Katherine and Jack, her parents.

ADVENT CANDLES are on sale from Margaret Brading after Mass today, price £5

BACH EVENING WITH STEPHEN DAVIES Friday 29th November at 7.30pm. Stephen will introduce us to the Schübler Chorales of JS Bach, and play them for us, exploring their Advent themes. Retiring collection for church funds and UNICEF. Wine will be served. This is the concluding event of our 160th anniversary celebrations.

ADVENT CAROL SERVICE Sunday 1st December 6pm. Put this beautiful service in your diary and invite your friends.

ST GEORGE'S SCHOOL CHRISTMAS FAIR is on Saturday 7th December from 11 to 2, entrance from Pembroke Road. Raffle tickets available from Rachel.

NEW TRANSLATION OF THE BIBLE From Advent Sunday the translation to be used for the Bible readings at Mass is changing, from the Jerusalem Bible to the English Standard Version. We have been given a splendid new Gospel Book for the Sunday Mass, but the people's missals with readings for weekdays will not be available until next Easter. Obviously we will continue to print the readings in the Sunday booklet as now. We will invite you to buy a daily missal for yourself or for church when it is possible to order them. In the meantime there will be printouts of the weekday readings available in church.

SERVERS' MEETING The annual meeting of the servers takes place after coffee after Mass next Sunday (24th November). Servers! Please be there!

THE SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION (Confession) will normally be available in church on Fridays at 6.30pm, or by appointment. During Advent, a priest will be available to hear confessions after the 10.30 Mass each Sunday.

SERVICE TIMES THIS WEEK:

Tuesday 19th 9.30 Mass
Revelation 3; 1-6, 14-22. Luke 19; 1-10.

Wednesday 20th 9.30 Mass (St Edmund, king and martyr)
Revelation 4; 1-11. Luke 19; 11-28.
11.00 Mass at Kyn.

Thursday 21st 9.30 Mass (Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary)
Revelation 5; 1-10. Luke 19; 41-44.

Friday 22nd 9.30 Mass (St Cecilia)
Revelation 10; 8-11. Luke 19; 45-48.
6.30pm Confessions.

Saturday 23rd 9.30 Mass and Rosary (St Clement of Rome)
Revelation 11; 4-12. Luke 20; 27-40.

NEXT SUNDAY: Christ the King/ Sunday next before Advent

8.00 Low Mass (traditional rite)

10.30 Sung Mass with Children's Church

FOR YOUR PRAYERS

THOSE IN NEED: HM The King, The Princess of Wales, Janet Aves, Ted Bennett, Vera Bilby, Keith Bowley, Sylvia Braybrooke, Sue Byers, Susan Cannell, Ron Carpenter, Julie Couldridge, Linda Courquin, Beatrice Dadson, Sandra Donohue, Roger Edwards, Stuart Esk, Matthew Fairweather, Lynda Francis, Jan Good, Antonia Gowers, Elaine Greasley, Alison Hadfield, Mary Huggins, Catherine Jones, Ralph Jones, Marie Kerrigan, Esther Knight, Rita McGrath, Joseph Milad, Elsie Neill, Pauline Norris, Nelly Oakeshott, Lee Ramsey, Lyn Ramsey, Scott Ramsey, Shannon Sheridan, Michael Turner, Joan Turpin, Elaine Warner & family, Ann-Louise Whittaker, Laila Williams.

RECENTLY DEPARTED: Jimmy Collins, Mervyn Norris, Hazel Mitchell, June Brocksom.

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