

Saturday 2 <sup>nd</sup> December	8.30am 9.00am 5.30pm 6.00pm	<i>Confessions</i> November List <i>Confessions</i> People of the Parish
Sunday 3 <sup>rd</sup> December <i>1<sup>st</sup> SUNDAY OF ADVENT (B)</i>	9.00am 11.00am	Lutterodt Family (Spec. Intention) November List
Monday 4 <sup>th</sup> December	9.00am 9.00am	Vanessa Adekoya (Spec. Intention) November List
Tuesday 5 <sup>th</sup> December	9.00am 9.00am 9.30am	November List Biddy Lawlor (Spec Int) <b>Devotion to Our Lady of La Salette</b>
Wednesday 6 <sup>th</sup> December	9.00am 9.00am 9.30am 11.00am	November List Dan D'Silva (Thanksgiving Int.) <b>Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament</b> St Peter's School Reconciliation Service
Thursday 7 <sup>th</sup> December <b>St Ambrose, Bp, D</b>	9.00am 9.00am	Danielle Lai (RIP) Jason Kavanagh (RIP)
Friday 8 <sup>th</sup> December <b>THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY</b>	9.00am 9.00am 7.30pm	Laura Kelly (Anniv. RIP) Dominic Quirke (RIP) Prayer Meeting
Saturday 9 <sup>th</sup> December	8.30am 9.00am 5.30pm 6.00pm	<i>Confessions</i> James O'Shaughnessy (Birthday) <i>Confessions</i> Martin Byrne (Dublin ) (Birthday Remembrance)
Sunday 10 <sup>th</sup> December <i>2<sup>ND</sup> SUNDAY OF ADVENT</i>	9.00am 11.00am	Dasha Unomah (Birthday Int.) Anselmo Correia Lanoim (Anniv.)

Please join us for Morning Prayer at 8:45am (Mon – Fri)

**This week Parish Office will not be open on Monday and Thursday Mornings.**

**Office Hours** Monday, Tuesday & Thursday: 10.00 -11.00am & 5.30-6.30pm  
Admin office hours (for copies of certificates, Mass Intention bookings & general enquiries) are **Tuesdays & Saturdays 9am- 12pm.**

**Coffee Morning.** On Sunday after 11.00am Mass there is a Coffee (Tea) Morning in the Children Liturgy Room. Everyone welcome.

## CATHOLIC CHURCH OF ST PETER



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**Parish priest:** Fr Edward Tredota MS, Fr Adam Cyran MS

**Masses:** Mon –Sat 9.00am; Saturday 6.00pm; Sunday 9.00am, 11.00am

**Weekday Morning Prayers:** Mon-Fri 8:50am

**Confessions:** Saturday 8.30-9.00am, 5.30pm- 6.00pm or by appointment

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### Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> of December 2023

#### 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of Advent – B p.26

*1<sup>st</sup> Reading: Isaiah 63:16-17; 64:1.3-8*

*R. Psalm: God of hosts, bring us back; let your face shine on us and we shall be saved."*

*2<sup>nd</sup> Reading: 1 Corintians 1:3-9, Gospe: lMark 13:33-37*

#### Lighting of the First Advent Candle

*Almighty God, we begin this Advent Season to an Advent People - ready to do your will. Let your blessing come upon us as we light this wreath. May it turn our hearts to you in the days ahead. Grant us the peace and joy we long for, as we await the coming of your Son with patient hearts. We ask this through Christ our Lord. AMEN*



The season of Advent is a time for rousing our minds and hearts for the Lord's coming. As his servants we watch for his will - continually seeking him. We watch for his word and his power that he may act now to save and to deliver. And we watch for his visitation - he will surely come again! Servants of the Lord rouse yourselves! Be vigilant, be alert, be "watchmen" for the Lord pointing the way for his coming.

*Lord Jesus, awaken my heart and mind to receive your word and to prepare for your coming again. Free me from complacency, from the grip of sin and worldliness, and from attachments to things which pass away. May I always be eager to receive your*

*word and be ready to meet you when you come again.* (c) 2020 Servants of the Word

**Please pray for our Sick:** Elizabeth O’Callaghan, Muireann Carbery, Bernadette Asser, Gary Bennett, Steve Sutherland, Eileen Ronan, Sheila Betson, Baby Liam Ezema, Martha Buckley, Liz O’Callaghan, Ann Sullivan, Charlie Hannell, Adora Garcia, Dee Duster, Valerie Brown, Baby Edward, Frances Duggan, Christopher Bone, Michael Moffat, Henry Moffat, J. Radford, L. Stuchfield, Sean Murphy, Marie Merrett, Myra Jarrett, Terry Hooker, Martina Murray, Deborah Woldron, Baby Valentina Vizcaino, Ann O’Sullivan, Eliza Brinkus, Phil McManus, Emerald Lawrance, Biddy Lawlor, Lee Suzanne Ives.

**Recently Dead:** Paul Wightwick

26.11.2023	Envelopes	Loose	Total
First Collection	538.70	525.64	£ 1064.34
<b>National Youth Sunday</b>	160.80	126.74	£ 287.54
Contactless donations last weekend £300			
Standing Orders in November £314 per week			

**Thank you very much for your generous offerings.**

**Payments or Standing Orders to Our Parish account:**

St Peter’s R.C. Parish, Sort Code 40-13-22, Acc. No. 61280856. (Gift Aid Declaration and Standing order Mandate forms can be collected from our Parish Office or downloaded from our Parish Website).

**Contactless donations.** If you wish to make a donation using your payment card or mobile phone, please see the steward at the back of the church.

**If you are currently donating via contactless or bank standing order and you are an UK taxpayer, please consider Gift aiding your donation.**

**This week 2<sup>nd</sup> Collection is for Building Fund.**

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**Christmas Get Together.** Thank you very much to All who organised and support this event.

**Mass Intentions.** If you would like to have Holy Mass offered for your intentions, please supply the name of the person, or persons, for whom the Mass is to be offered and whether for the repose of their soul, if they are deceased, or for their well-being. Please write these details on the envelope provided in the porch or Repository and hand it to the priest or person in Repository. If you want mass to be said on a particular date, please leave a contact number in case we need to confirm details or change the mass date. Thank you.

**The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA)**

Next meeting will be on Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> December at 7.00pm in the Presbytery.

The theme will be *Practical Aspects of Sacrament of Recoliation*. This session is open to everyone.

**Advent** is the period of four Sundays and weeks before Christmas. It means 'Coming' in Latin. There are three meanings of Advent. The first and most common: the nativity of Jesus Christ in Betlehem. The second can happen now as Jesus enters into our lives. And the third will happen in the future when Jesus return at the end of the world.

**Advent’s Keep Vigil.** To help you fruitfully experience Advent this year, we invite you to an Advent’s Keep Vigil on Friday 8<sup>th</sup> December 7:30pm – 8:30pm in the church. We will spend this time listening and reflecting on God’s Word and in adoration of the Blessed Sacrament.

**Advent 2024 at St Peter’s**

**Friday 8<sup>th</sup> December at 7.30pm** Advent’s Keep Vigil (prayer meeting)

**Saturday 16<sup>th</sup> December at 5.00pm** Holy Hour followed by 6.00pm Mass

**Monday 18<sup>th</sup> December at 7.30pm** Recoliation Service

**Mary’s Meals.** We have incredible news! Until 22 January 2024, every donation made to our Double The Love appeal will be matched, up to £1 million. Thanks to a group of generous supporters, your kindness will go even further. The impacts of rising costs, climate change and conflict have brought fear and uncertainty to many children and right now our life-changing school meals have never been more important. Together, through Double The Love, we can transform the lives of many more desperately hungry children waiting for Mary’s Meals.

**BCYS SUMMER LOURDES YOUTH PILGRIMAGE – July 2024 (exact dates TBC)** Bookings are now open online for the Brentwood Catholic Youth Service pilgrimage to Lourdes in July. The week is spent serving the main Diocesan pilgrimage, assisting the elderly and infirm, alongside times of retreat, reconciliation, visiting the baths, taking part in the beautiful Processions, an afternoon in the mountains, party and social nights - all with other young Catholics from around our Diocese. The pilgrimage is open to all those in school year 10 – 13, with all those of school leaver age (18+) invited to join us as young leaders (subject to attending a training weekend). All details and applications can be found on the website [www.bcys.net/events/sl24](http://www.bcys.net/events/sl24).

**The Human Fertilisation and Embryology Authority (HFEA)** is pushing to remove the 14-day limit for experimenting on embryos, despite 97% of submissions from the general public to their consultation objecting to these plans. Right To Life UK has launched an easy-to-use tool on its website that makes it easy for you to email your MP asking them to oppose a change to legislation that, if passed, would pave the way for the removal of the 14-day limit. Please visit [//www.righttolife.org.uk/14days](http://www.righttolife.org.uk/14days) to contact your MP now. It only takes 30 seconds.