

## LATELY DEAD

Please pray for the repose of the souls of those who have recently died.

Mary Cullen (funeral here 8<sup>th</sup> Dec 12.00)

Sebastiana Fernandes (funeral here 9<sup>th</sup> Dec 10.00)



## DATES FOR DIARY

### 1<sup>st</sup> International Liturgical Music Workshop

You are invited to take part in an extraordinary event, taking place from 6.30pm on Friday, 13th Jan to 3.00pm on Sunday, 15th Jan 2017, including musical participation at the 11:30 and 1:30pm Sunday Parish Masses. We are going to teach, practice and finally perform beautiful English and Polish songs together. Everyone who loves singing or playing instruments is welcome. You will be guided through the process of learning the music and the songs and we will be helped to appreciate our voices and how to use them to best effect, to praise the Lord. There will be specialist sessions for both instrumentalists and singers. To book your place contact: Rafał Pratkano: pratko@wp.pl or Justyna Masłowska: justys.maslowska@gmail.com. The cost is £30, including materials, refreshments and two lunches. Please pay on entry.



## MUSIC

**10.00<sup>am</sup> Mass:** 955, 1012, 824, 603, 1014, 105, 1018, 1019, 627, 719

**11.30<sup>am</sup> Mass:**

**Entrance:** 955, **Kyrie:** 1012

**Psalm:** I rejoiced (Dean), **Alleluja:** Folk

**Offertory:** Rorate Caeli, **Sanctus:** 1014

**Acc:** 1015, **Amen:** 1018, **Agnus Dei:** 1019

**Communion:** Zion hears the watchmen's voices (Bach), **Final:** 719,

**Postlude:** Watchet auf, ruft uns die stimme (Bach)

## USUAL TIMES FOR LITURGIES

### Sunday Masses

7<sup>pm</sup> [Sat evening – Vigil of Sunday]

8.30<sup>am</sup>, 10.00<sup>am</sup>, 11.30<sup>am</sup>, 6<sup>pm</sup>

4.30<sup>pm</sup> (Latin American, en español)

1.30<sup>pm</sup> & 7.30<sup>pm</sup> (Polish, po polsku)

### Weekday Masses

Mon - Fri: 10<sup>am</sup> & 6.30<sup>pm</sup>

Saturday: 10<sup>am</sup>

### Sacrament of Reconciliation

in English:

Saturday: 10.30-11.15<sup>am</sup>; 6.00-6.45<sup>pm</sup>

in Polish (po polsku):

Sunday: 1.00-1.30<sup>pm</sup>; 6.00-6.45<sup>pm</sup>

### Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

1<sup>st</sup> Friday: 10.30<sup>am</sup>–8<sup>pm</sup>

Other Fridays: 10.30–11.30<sup>am</sup> & 7–8<sup>pm</sup>

## PARISH STAFF & TEAM

Contact them on: 020 8800 2121

For appointments to see a priest, please phone, between 8am and 1pm Monday to Thursday

**Parish Priest:** Fr David Smolira SJ

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If you have any concerns about safety or well-being of a child or vulnerable adult in the parish, please contact our Safeguarding Officer: Attracta Asika 07494 366233



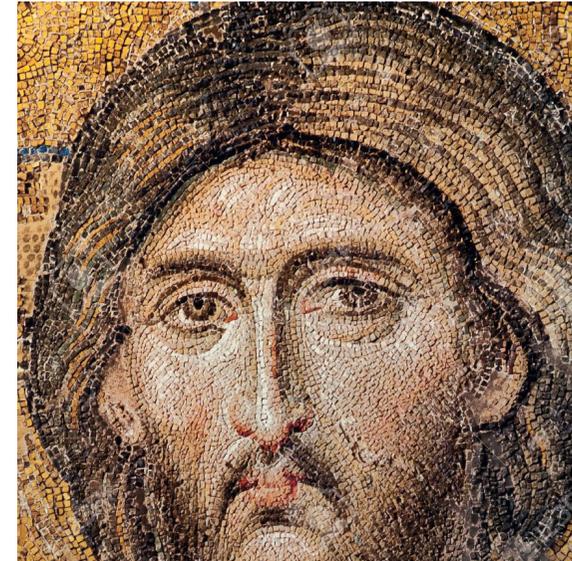
27th November 2016  
1st Sunday of Advent – Year A

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# UNTIL HE COMES AGAIN!

TODAY'S READINGS AND RESPONSES:

### Entrance Antiphon

To you, I lift up my soul, O my God. In you, I have trusted; let me not be put to shame. Nor let my enemies exult over me; and let none who hope in you be put to shame.

### Readings

Isaiah 2: 1-5, Romans 13: 11-14, Matthew 24: 37-44

### Responsorial Psalm

I rejoiced when I heard them say: 'Let us go to God's house.'

### Communion Antiphon

The Lord will bestow his bounty, and our earth shall yield its increase.

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## ADVENT: UNTIL HE COMES AGAIN!

The favourite prayer of the first Christians living in the towns of the Middle East after the Ascension of Jesus was “Come, Lord Jesus”. They spoke it in their own language, “Maranatha” – “Come, Lord Jesus”. They prayed that their Lord would come back to them from his place at the Father’s right hand in order to complete his work, bringing peace, justice and forgiveness to the whole world. They prayed with great longing that he would come again to save them.

Much of the New Testament is about how these first Christians were to behave during the time that they were waiting. All their teachers repeated to them the words of Jesus. They were to “stay awake”; they were “to keep watch”; they were to be “ready” for his return to them – and he would come at a time that they were not expecting him.

How do we ourselves stay awake and watch for the coming of Christ into our lives? Obviously, we do not want to be surprised by the sudden coming of Christ in an unexpected death. But there are other quieter, more regular ways in which Christ comes into our lives and Advent is one of the best times for us to look out for them. See if you can spend a few minutes looking back over the year. If we do that, we are likely to notice one or two changes: a new grandchild has been born – great delight; God has given me a nudge in a particular direction: to pray with a little more regularity; to pay attention to my new neighbour with a bit more care; to notice that I am older and slower. What else? What is God saying to me in all this? How is God coming into my life this year? Watch!

And one final Advent word. It is ‘hope’. We believe that God has promised to be with us. We are always filled with hope for the future. God will continue to come into our lives.

More than that, hope in God is not simply about the future. Hope in God brings all our past life, the good bits, the sad bits, the parts we are ashamed of, the entirely routine and dull parts, into a pattern that begins to make sense. God has always been coming into our lives and we have a sure hope that God will continue to do so. “Come, Lord Jesus”.

Fr Michael Bossy SJ

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## SUNDAY AT ST IGNATIUS

**A Year for Couples and Families:** Fr David will be speaking at all masses this weekend to introduce the parish Year for Couples and Families. During this year at St Ignatius we will try and develop our support for, and engagement with, couples and families in an effort to help them live their Christian lives more fully in this busy and demanding world. One way for the parish to offer this help is through prayer, so please make sure that you pray every day for all couples and families in the parish. Your help and support will be greatly appreciated!

**Last Sunday’s Collection:** £2,987.48, for which many thanks.

**The Counters this Week:** Group D

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## THIS WEEK AT ST IGNATIUS

# Advent

**Understanding Advent:** With the Beginning of Advent we have two series of events: our Parish Advent Talks (on Tuesday evenings) and our Parish Advent Film Nights (on Thursday evenings).

**Advent Talks:** Fr Nick King SJ, the famous scripture scholar, will be helping us to understand Advent better with his series of talks entitled, “An Advent Journey Through Scripture”. The talks will take place from 7.15pm to 8.45pm on each of the four Tuesdays of Advent, beginning this Tuesday, the 29th of November. We are hoping for a really big crowd!

**Advent Film Nights:** These are being organised by Mathew D’Souza and will be held on the four Thursdays of Advent, beginning on the 1<sup>st</sup> of December at 7.15pm. The first Movie with an Advent theme is entitled “Joseph of Nazareth” and it lasts about 90 minutes. Refreshments will be available afterwards. Please come on time so you don’t miss the start of the film.

**Campion Day:** Thursday the 1st of December is the Feast of Edmond Campion SJ – the patron saint of the British Jesuits. There will be a special mass in honour of St Edmond Campion on that day at 6.30pm. Fr Mark Aloysius will preach and Fr Hugh Duffy, the Jesuit superior, will preside. All the parish are welcome to participate in this special celebration for the Jesuits in this Province.

**Francis Xavier SJ:** The feast day of St Francis Xavier SJ, the principal patron saint of the missions, is on Saturday, the 3<sup>rd</sup> of December. We will have a special mass in his honour on Saturday morning at 10.00am. All are most welcome!

**Divine Mercy:** the Divine Mercy Mass and Devotions will take place at St Ignatius Church on Wednesday, the 30<sup>th</sup> of November, promptly at 7.30pm. Further details are on the Church noticeboard.

**FairTrade Goods** are available after all morning masses today. Please support this project which helps producers in developing countries pay just wages to their workers and care for the environment.

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## PARISH ITEMS AND EVENTS

**Recommissioning of Eucharistic Ministers:** All Eucharistic Ministers (apart from the new ones commissioned a couple of months ago) will be recommissioned at the 11.30am Mass next Sunday, the 4<sup>th</sup> of December. Please make sure you are there in plenty of time!

**Goan Celebration of the Feast of Francis Xavier:** The annual North London Goan celebration of the feast of St Francis Xavier SJ will take place at Woodside High School Hall on Sunday, 4<sup>th</sup> December, beginning with mass in the church hall at 12.30pm. More details can be found on the Church noticeboard.

**CAFOD:** Please take home with you a World Gift Catalogue so that you can buy Christmas presents that help poor communities around the world. Catalogues are available in the Church porch.