



ST GEORGE'S CATHEDRAL SOUTHWARK

METROPOLITAN CATHEDRAL CHURCH OF ST GEORGE



THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT (YEAR B) GAUDETE SUNDAY 17 DECEMBER 2017

Readings: Isaiah 61: 1 – 2. 10 – 11. Psalm Lk 1: 46 – 50. 53 – 54.
1 Thessalonians 5: 16 – 24. John 1: 6 – 8. 19 – 28.

Mass Intentions: 6pm (*Saturday Vigil*): Paddy Rafter – RIP
8am: Paciencia Tayao – RIP
10am: Mary Dooley – RIP
11.30am: Christine & Patrick McGreal – RIP
6pm: People of the Parish

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON:

Rejoice in the Lord always; again I say, rejoice.
Indeed, the Lord is near.

PSALM RESPONSE:

My soul rejoices in my God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:

Alleluia, alleluia!

The spirit of the Lord has been given to me.
He has sent me to bring good news to the poor.
Alleluia!

COMMUNION ANTIPHON:

Say to the faint of heart: Be strong and do not fear.
Behold, our God will come, and he will save us.

CHILDREN'S LITURGY:

This group is open to all children aged between 4 - 9 years. Parents are asked to ensure their child is signed in each week, by the **parent or carer** who is attending Mass with them, so that we have a correct register should there be an emergency.

This week: Ines, Sarah R, Sarah L, Maria Q.

PARISH NOTICES:

Last week's collections:

The total collection for last Sunday was **£1,200**. Thank you. If you would like to gift-aid your offering, please see one of the Clergy after Mass.

Gaudete Sunday

This is the Third Sunday of Advent also known as Gaudete Sunday. The focus of this second part of Advent is on celebrating the birth of Christ.

Retiring Collection

There will be a retiring collection this Sunday towards the cost of the cathedral flowers for Christmas.

Fourth Sunday of Advent

Next Sunday the 6pm Vigil Mass on Saturday, the 8am, 10am and 11.30 Masses will be of the Fourth Sunday of Advent. The 6pm Mass on Sunday will be the Vigil Mass of Christmas and fulfils the obligation for Christmas but not for the Sunday. There will be carols & readings at 11.30pm followed by Mass at Midnight.

Advent Scripture Reflection

The last in the series of reflections on the scripture readings of the Sundays of Advent will be in the Amigo Hall, on Thursday, 21 December at 7pm. All are very welcome to attend.

Servers Mass and Presentation of Awards

Bishop Pat Lynch will present medals & service awards to Cathedral Altar Servers on Tuesday

26 December at 12.30pm. Family and friends are invited to attend.

St George's Cathedral Choirs CD

The CD recording produced by our Cathedral Choirs is now available. Entitled: "*O Sacrum Convivium - Music for the Mass*", it features our Girls' Choir, Boys' Choir, Choral Scholars and Lay Clerks. It costs £12 per CD and will make an ideal Christmas present. The CDs are available to buy from our website, as well as the repository after the 10am and 11.30am Masses, where payment is accepted by cash and cheque. The CDs can also be ordered online using a credit or debit card. To order, please visit our website or you may send an email to info@stgeorges.org.uk for more information.

Advent & Christmas Programme

A flyer containing details of service times and other events during Advent & Christmas is available from the back of the cathedral and on the Cathedral Website.

Parish Diaries & Diocesan Directories

Are available from the repository after the 10am and 11.30am Masses; priced 50p for the diary and £3 for the directory.

Blessed Sacrament Chapel

Essential restoration work is being done in the Blessed Sacrament Chapel resulting in it being out of use in the lead up to Christmas and then for a period in the New Year. When the Chapel is closed the Blessed Sacrament will be reserved in the Day Chapel.

New Hymn Books

Thank you to all those who have sponsored a hymn book. There are still some available that can be sponsored. A book plate with a dedication will be placed in each hymn book. The cost is £10 per hymn book and forms are available at the back of the cathedral.

Sunday 31 December – Feast of the Holy Family

There will be an additional Thanksgiving Mass at 11pm. The cathedral will close after the 6pm Mass and re-open at 10pm.

Eucharistic Adoration

Eucharistic Adoration takes place in the Day Chapel every Friday starting at 8am, ending with Evening Prayer and Benediction at 6pm. There is also Adoration from 10am until 12.15pm on Saturday morning. **Please note** there will be no adoration on Friday/Saturday 29/30 December.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY:

Monday 18 December	Baptism Course – Amigo Hall – 4pm
Tuesday 19 December	Confirmation Preparation Programme, No. 5 – Amigo Hall – 6pm
Thursday 21 December	Final Reflection on the Readings for the Sundays of Advent – Amigo Hall – 7pm
Sunday 24 December	Fourth Sunday of Advent – Mass 6pm (Saturday Vigil), 8am, 10am, 11.30 and 1pm (Spanish)
Monday 25 December	The Nativity of the Lord – Masses: 6pm (Vigil) Midnight, 8am, 10am, 11.30 and 1pm (Spanish). <i>Please note: No evening Mass</i>
Sunday 31 December	Feast of the Holy Family – Additional Mass of Thanksgiving – Cathedral – 11pm

MASS & CONFESSION TIMES:

Weekday Mass:	Weekend Mass:	Confession:	Exposition:
Monday to Friday: Mass 7.30am, 12.30pm Evening Prayer and Benediction 6pm (Fridays) Holy Days of Obligation: Mass 7.30am, 12.30pm, 6pm	Saturday: Mass 9.30am, 12.30pm, 6pm (First Mass of Sunday) Sunday: Mass 8am, 10am (Family), 11.30am (Solemn), 1pm (Español), 6pm	Monday to Friday: 12-12.20pm Saturday: 11.15am-12.15pm, 5-5.50pm	Friday: 8am-6pm Saturday: 10am-12.15pm <i>Usually takes place in the Day Chapel</i>

THIS SUNDAY'S HYMNS & MUSIC:

	10am	11.30am	6pm
Organ Music before Mass		Liturgical Piece No 3 - Oldroyd	(Said Mass)
Entrance Hymn	241 Hail to the Lord's anointed	241 Hail to the Lord's anointed	
Mass Setting	Missal Tones (S A)	Missa Princeps Pacis (S A) - Lloyd Webber Credo I (on sheet)	
Offertory	Of one that is so fair and bright - Harrison	This is the record of John - Gibbons	
Communion	804 When John baptised by Jordan's river	804 When John baptised by Jordan's river	
Recessional Hymn	684 Tell out, my soul	684 Tell out, my soul	
Organ Voluntary	Trio Sonata No 4 (Andante) - J.S.Bach	Christe, Redemptor omnium - Parry	

A full music list for the Michaelmas Term is available on the Cathedral website.

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