

SCARBOROUGH CATHOLIC PARISHES



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Benvenuto Bienvenu Bienvenido Benvindo Beninguts Wilkommen

WEEK COMMENCING 6 DECEMBER - YEAR B
DIVINE OFFICE: *Week 2*

SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT
Bible Sunday

THE SOLEMNITY OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION ~ 8 DECEMBER

The Feast of Immaculate Conception celebrates Mary's conception without sin. The feast falls on 8 December, placing it 9 months from her birth. Pope Pius IX, in the **Papal Encyclical *Ineffabilis Deus, (*Indescribable God)** declared Mary's Immaculate Conception dogma on 8 December 1854 with the words "*the Blessed Virgin Mary, from the first moment of her conception, by a singular grace and privilege of almighty God, and in view of the merits of Jesus Christ, Saviour of the human race, was preserved free from every stain of original sin is a doctrine revealed by God and, for this reason, must be firmly and constantly believed by all the faithful.*" Mary is the one who is "full of grace" and the one whom "all generations will call 'blessed'". Just as Christ has been called the "new Adam", the Church Fathers saw Mary as the "new Eve", who humbly obeyed God, even though Eve disobeyed. The Church Fathers also called Mary the "new ark of the covenant" and *theotokos*, meaning *God-bearer*. It is from these titles that the doctrine of Mary's Immaculate Conception and sinlessness unfolded. "*O Mary, conceived without sin, pray for us who have recourse to thee.*"



"*Man looks on the outward appearance, but the Lord looks on the heart*' (1 Samuel 16:7). *And Mary's heart was fully disposed to the fulfilment of the divine will. This is why the Blessed Virgin is the model of Christian expectation and hope... In her heart there is no shade of selfishness: she desires nothing for herself except God's glory and human salvation. For her, the very privilege of being preserved from original sin is not a reason to boast, but one for total service to her Son's redemptive mission.*" (From an Angelus address of St John Paul II)



Some Symbols of Advent

Advent wreath with its 4 candles

Liturgical colour(s): Violet or dark blue (optional Rose for 3rd Sunday)

Advent Calendars: A door is opened each day leading to Christmas.

The Jesse Tree (The Jesus Tree): on it we place symbols of the ancestors of Christ: Adam, the Ark, Mary, Shepherd, Joseph etc.

Some of the Great Saints of the Advent Season who we keep company with:

St Nicholas (6 Dec); St John the Baptist;

Our Lady (8 Dec: Immaculate Conception);

St Lucy (13 Dec); Prophet Isaiah; St Joseph (the quiet man)

St John of the Cross (14 Dec)

2ND SUNDAY OF ADVENT

CHRISTMAS MASS & SERVICE TIMES LEAFLET

NOW AVAILABLE AT ALL OUR CHURCHES, LISTING DETAILS OF

CHRISTMAS EVE/DAY MASSES, CONFESSION TIMES, AND MASSES FOR CHRISTMAS WEEK

CONTAINS ESSENTIAL INFORMATION ABOUT BOOKING AT ONE OF THESE MASSES

MASS TIMES WEEK COMMENCING 6 DECEMBER 2020 **2ND SUNDAY OF ADVENT**
PUBLIC MASSES HAVE NOW RESUMED (NO MASSES FOR NOW AT ST EDWARD'S)

SATURDAY VIGIL	5	5.30pm	St Peter's (LIVE STREAM)	
SUNDAY	6	9.30am 9.30am 11.30am	St Joseph's St Peter's (Polish) St Peter's (LIVE STREAM)	ADVENT 2ND SUNDAY Bible Sunday For Mass intentions see printed copy
Monday	7	7pm	St Peter's (LIVE STREAM)	St Ambrose
Tuesday	8	10am	St Joseph's	IMMACULATE CONCEPTION OF OUR LADY
Wednesday	9	10am	St Peter's LIVE STREAM ONLY	St Juan Diego Cuauhtlatotzin
Thursday	10	10am	St Peter's LIVE STREAM ONLY (Fr Gubbins is Shielding)	
Friday	11	10am	NO MASS (Fr Gubbins ear operation today)	St Damasus I
Saturday	12	10am	NO MASS (Fr Gubbins resting after op)	Our Lady of Guadalupe

SYRO MALABAR MASS December Mass - details available soon

CONFESSION TIMES: St Peter's Sat 10.30-11am; St Joseph's Sundays 8.45-9.15am (NOTE no Confessions Sat 12 December)
ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT & Private Prayer: 30 minutes before each public weekday Mass

STREAMED MASSES IN OUR PARISH <https://www.scarboroughcatholicparishes.org.uk/> click link at right of screen
STREAMED MASSES IN OUR DIOCESE: <https://middlesbrough-diocese.org.uk/streamed-masses-in-our-diocese-2/>
SIGNED MASS for the Deaf: 10.30am Sundays from Cardiff www.sphilpevans.co.uk/f.k/signed-mass and 6pm Saturday Vigil - from Potters Bar: churchservices.tv/pottersbar

READINGS AT MASS & Daily Prayer of the Church: QR Code Links are available on our website & in church porches
POPE'S DECEMBER PRAYER INT: that our personal relationship with Jesus Christ be nourished by the Word of God & a life of prayer
OUR LADY'S SHRINE at St Peter's church is **open every day** (gate closed but unlocked - down steps at side of car park)

† ANNIVS Brian Watson, Kathleen Lavelle, Fr Bernard Hawksworth, Joseph & Margaret Collins, Agnes Davey, Aileen Wilson, George Swales, Ken Davies † R DEAD Eddie Baker, Kathleen Collins, Joan Ramsden, Sandra Proctor, Thamer Zedar (Chicago)

MASSES RECEIVED: see printed copy

PLANNED GIVING To sign up for *Offertory Envelope or Standing Order giving*, contact the Parish office.

SPIRITUAL COMMUNION PRAYER (for those shielding at home and joining us on livestream)

My Jesus, I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament. I love You above all things, and I passionately desire to receive You into my soul. Since I cannot now receive You sacramentally, come spiritually into my heart and soul so that I may unite myself wholly to you now and forever. Amen.

NOTE CHANGES TO MASSES THIS WEEK Masses on Wednesday & Thursday 9/10 December **Live Stream only**. Masses on Friday 11 & Saturday 10am are **cancelled**. PUBLIC MASSES resume for Saturday Vigil & Sunday 12/13 December, and weekday public Masses also resume as normal. Fr Gubbins has to SHIELD 3 days before his operation for perforated ear drum

FUNERAL SERVICE of Eddie Baker Green Lane: 3pm at St Joseph's on Monday 7 December (family & relations only)

BIBLE SUNDAY is this Sunday. As the *Year of the Word* draws to a close, why not use Advent to draw closer to God through His Word in Holy Scripture. There are many ways to do this. **Continue to read a chapter per day of the Gospel of St Luke**. There are **24 chapters**. Some good online resources for Bible Sunday include: <https://www.godwhospeaks.uk/> and <https://www.biblesociety.org.uk/get-involved/bible-sunday-2020/> or you could follow the daily readings of the Church through one of many online resources, or pick up a FREE copy of *Advent Extra* or *Walk with Me* (spiritual guides for Advent) from newsletter boxes outside churches (if any are left).

CHRISTMAS CARDS & goods on sale at St Peter's (money in black box in porch) & St Joseph's piety shop.

NEWSLETTER available outside all churches in waterproof box. Take one to those who are isolated.

RAINBOW CENTRE non-perishable food needed (*long 'use by' date*) & other essential items. Drop off there.

DIOCESAN DIRECTORY 2021 on Sale £1. Useful information about parishes and schools etc in the diocese.

CONFESSIONS FOR CHRISTMAS (Filey priests) **FRI 18th Dec** at St Joseph's **2pm -3.30pm** **SAT 19th St Peters 10.30am -12.30pm**

SUNDAY SMILE



"WE'RE TIER 2 SO WE CAN MEET OUTSIDE BUT WE CAN'T GO INTO THE STABLE"

IMPORTANT - CHRISTMAS MASSES – BOOKING SYSTEM

It is likely more people will come to Mass than our capacity under Covid-19 restrictions allows, so it is essential to **book in advance - see separate Christmas Mass times leaflet** for full information (*no need to book for usual weekend & weekday Masses*). Only those who have booked and whose names are on the list will be granted entry into the Mass. You **must** indicate which Mass (one only), & how many in your bubble. Booking is via an online portal. Parishioners are asked to spread the word, and to make every effort to contact and help those who may have difficulty with the online booking (though a paper form exists if all else fails).

CHRISTMAS EVE/DAY MASS TIMES 2020

Note - no Masses at St Edward's

Christmas Eve: **5pm** at St Peter's; **7.30pm** at St Joseph's; **Midnight** at St Peter's
Christmas Morning: **9.30am** at St Joseph's and **11am** at St Peter's

