

Saturday 7th Memorial of St Ambrose Sunday Vigil 5.30pm St Michael <i>John Moore RIP</i>	
SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT 8th December	
9.00am St Bernadette <i>Breda Hennesey</i> 10.15am SS Peter & Paul <i>Scholastica Iberi</i> 11.30am St Michael <i>Winifred Edwards RIP</i> 5.00pm SS Peter and Paul: Adoration and Vespers 7.00pm SS Peter & Paul <i>pro populo</i>	
Monday 9th Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception Vespers at 6.10pm St Michael 6.30 pm St Michael <i>Michael Baker</i>	
Tuesday 10th Advent Feria 9.30am St Bernadette <i>As Announced</i> 9.30am SS Peter & Paul <i>Chris Walsh RIP</i>	
Wednesday 11th Advent Feria 8.00am St Edmund's School <i>Holy Souls</i> 11.00am St Michael's Funeral Service <i>Peter May RIP</i> 6.00pm St Bernadette <i>Service of Word and Communion</i>	
Thursday 12th Advent Feria 12.00pm St Michael <i>Holy Souls</i>	
Friday 13th Advent Feria 9.30am St Bernadette <i>Service of Word and Communion</i> 12.00pm SS Peter & Paul <i>Elizabeth Cotter RIP</i>	
Saturday 14th Memorial of St Lucy <i>Confessions 11.00-11.30am at St Michael's</i> Sunday Vigil 5.30pm St Michael <i>Patricia Nicholls</i>	
THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT 15th December	
9.00am St Bernadette <i>Georgeanne Griffin & Arthur Abel RIP</i> 10.15am SS Peter & Paul <i>Julia Moroney RIP</i> 11.30am St Michael <i>Lewis Nelson RIP</i> 5.00pm SS Peter and Paul: Adoration and Vespers 7.00pm SS Peter & Paul <i>pro populo (this is the last student Mass until January 26th.)</i>	
Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament	
Monday 7pm - 8pm St Michael's Chapel 2nd Tuesday of the month at 2.00pm Padre Pio Group at St Bernadette's Wed 7.30pm- 8.30pm St Michael's Chapel	Thursday 9.30-10.30am St Bernadette's Friday: 4pm - 5pm St Michael's Chapel Saturday 10.30-11.30 St Michael's Church

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Second Sunday of Advent Year A

Prayer for the Year of the Word: "The God Who Speaks"

Living God, you walk alongside us

and speak to us throughout the Scriptures.

Your Son, Jesus Christ, listens to our hopes and fears

and shows us how to live for one another.

Send us the Holy Spirit to open our hearts and minds

so that we may be your witnesses throughout the world. AMEN.

A great way to help in understanding the Sunday readings is to attend **Lectio** every Friday Morning at 11.15 in SS Peter & Paul's Church. Also remember that **Walk With Me** booklets are available in the foyer. Please collect your copy.

Bambinelli Sunday The Holy Father asks children who have made an image of the baby Jesus (either at school or at home) to bring them to Church **next Sunday** (Gaudete Sunday) to be blessed at the end of Mass. Pope Francis says "When you gather in your homes in prayer before the manger, looking at the Child Jesus, you will feel amazement at the great mystery of God made man; and the Holy Spirit will give your heart the humility, tenderness and goodness of Jesus. This is the true Christmas! May this be so for you and for your family."

Everyone is welcome to bring their image of Jesus from their crib to be blessed. A Bambinelli blessing will take place at all of our Masses next weekend. (For those children who are not in Catholic schools there is an information sheet in the porch)

The General Election is this Thursday. Please read the statement from the Bishop's of England and Wales before you vote. You will find it on the parish website and if you cannot access the internet, there are some hard copies available in the porch of each church.

The Latest Edition of the Diocesan Newspaper, The Sower, is available on our website.

Funeral Mass for Mary Landers will be held at the Carmelite Monastery, Poplar Road, Penn Fields on Monday 9th December 2019 at 11.00am.

Free Family Christmas Disco for all 3 churches. Sat 14th December 3pm-5pm. Music and party games with DJ Barry. Details from Parish Social Committee members or via Sarah 07948963325

During Advent our 3 churches are collecting for the homeless: hats, gloves, socks, scarves and small boxer shorts; 100g chocolate bars; crisps; sachets of instant soup and chocolate/coffee drinks; individual packets of tissues and baby wipes, roll on deodorants and hot water bottles. Any donations would be gratefully received. Thank you!

World Gifts This year, celebrate Christmas by changing lives around the world with World Gifts. The catalogues are now in the porch of each of our churches.

SVP December Coffee Morning - please come along on Wednesday December 11th and enjoy a coffee or tea with us. Seasonal food is provided and we are delighted to have pupils from St Michael's Academy singing traditional songs and carols to us. Everyone is welcome, lifts provided if you need transport - contact David Spinks on 07544 960402.

"Family Christmas Mass- 5.30 Christmas Eve at St Michael's" Families from all three churches are welcome, and we are particularly looking for readers, and children to help with the offertory. We also have some musical instruments for small children (if they are sitting near the front), to join in with the last hymn. If you would like your child to take part in any way, please phone Teresa on 01902 766701 or email t.scragg@virgin.net

SS Peter & Paul Raffle Please bring in your stubs and money from the sale of tickets this week.

SS Peter & Paul 200 Club now is the time for you to renew your subscriptions.

St Michael's Rotas for Eucharistic Ministers, Stewards, Counters, Collectors, Cleaners etc are on the shelf on way into the sacristy. Could you please ensure that you collect your copy? Thank you for your generous service.

Piety stall at St Michael's: Advent Calendars and Christmas Cards with a religious theme now available.

CAR PARK at St Michael's: Please use the ***designated entrance*** (nearest the Penn Road) and ***do not ignore the "No Entry" signs***. The area nearest the church is shared with pedestrians and the dark nights in particular increase the hazard if cars come from an unexpected direction.

Support in Loss and Bereavement..... Please see the posters in the back of each Church for further details of professional help that is at hand.

Upcoming events....

Free Epiphany Concert by the Wulfruna Ladies Choir in aid of children's charity Power Pleas, who will be joining us, on Saturday the 4th of January at 3pm in St Michael's Church. Refreshments and raffle during the interval. Details from Sarah 07948963325

Finances...

Church	St Michael	SS Peter & Paul	St Bernadette
Gift Aid	£256.00	£122.00	£172.00
Non-Gift-Aid	£431.02	£214.81	£79.87
Second Collection			

The next second collection 8th December Poor Parishes Fund

Rotas...

Counting Teams	SS Peter and Paul St Michael	(D)Gill, Theresa, Mary (D)L Palmer, D Spinks (E)C Starkey, R Starkey
Cleaners	St Michael St Bernadette	J Taylor, S Bayliss, M Mason, F Bunch (Friday at 10.00am) K Chamberlain, J Banks

FOR THOSE WHO ARE SICK: George Brown, Mary Rowley, Claire Hallett, Chris Starkey, Tom Kirkpatrick, Ann Lewis, M Mary, Thomas Mackin, Fr David Duggan, Stephen Briggs, Sandra Treanor, Hilary Elsden, Fr Dawid Piskorz, Katherine Poole, Teresa Mitchell, Mary Lawley, Ann Bayley, Helen O'Brien-Coleman, Mary Abbiss, Peggy McHale, Patrick Quinn, Fred & Celia Norton, Jean Hollingshead, Margaret Stokes, Leah Nixon, Pat Pool, John Dolan, Liam Dolan, Marie Looker, Lorna Ciraulo, Pat Eades, Helen Porter, Mary Kirby, Sheila O'Toole, Tony McGinn, Brendan Bleakley.

FOR THOSE WHO HAVE DIED RECENTLY: Mary Landers, Olive Reilly, Nora McKennagh, Edith Dodd, Carl Winter, Bridget Hannon. **May they rest in peace.**

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