

# CHURCH OF SAINT MARY

15 December 2013

*Third Sunday of Advent*



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## Sunday Collection 08 December 2013

The collection for this past weekend was as follows:

Cash	£1061.00
Planned Giving	£1058.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>£2119.00</b>

*Thank you for your generosity.* Please remember the Diocese levies our parish at 29% of the weekly collections.

### READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY (Fourth Sunday of Advent)

First Reading: [Isa 7:10-14](#)

Psalm: [23:1-2, 3-4, 5-6](#)

Second Reading: [Rom 1:1-7](#)

Gospel: [Matt 1:18-24](#)

Reflections: [www.wednesdayword.org/downloads/parish\\_docs/298\\_Advent\\_3\\_A.pdf](http://www.wednesdayword.org/downloads/parish_docs/298_Advent_3_A.pdf)  
[cbagb.org.uk/scripture-notes/331-3rd-sunday-of-advent--year-a-december-15th](http://cbagb.org.uk/scripture-notes/331-3rd-sunday-of-advent--year-a-december-15th)



### **THANK YOU!**

We had a fantastic response to the waffles sale and raised £460.54 for Father Vincent's charity, Nazareth House in South Africa. Thank you to all who supported so generously.



### **PREPARING FOR ADVENT WITH THE HOLY FAMILY!**

*SPACES STILL AVAILABLE*



During the Season of Advent all families have the opportunity to welcome an Icon of the Holy Family into their homes to share together as a family preparing for Christmas. The icon will be passed from family to family and then finally back to the Church for Christmas. Travelling with the Icon will be a scrapbook so all the families involved can show how they have spent the time praying and preparing together. There are still spaces available, if you are interested in taking part. Please sign up in the porch at the end of Mass (there will be a sign up sheet near the noticeboard) or contact the Pastoral Assistant: [brendenthompson@rcdow.org.uk](mailto:brendenthompson@rcdow.org.uk)

### **CAROL CONCERT**

**TUESDAY 17 DECEMBER, 7PM, CHURCH OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION**

**114 Mount Street, London, W1K 3AH Tel. 020 7493 7811 Fax: 020 7495 6685**

Providence Row will hold a special Carol Concert in the Church. All are welcome. Free! East London charity tackling the root causes of homelessness through mental health, drug and alcohol services, advice and support, learning and training, etc.

### **CATHOLIC SINGLES**

Catholic Singles is an organisation which helps single adult Catholics of all ages meet either one to one or through social events.

To find out more please telephone 0161 941 3498, visit the website [www.catholicsingles.org.uk](http://www.catholicsingles.org.uk) or email [info@catholicsingles.org.uk](mailto:info@catholicsingles.org.uk)



## SATURDAY MORNING PARISH KIDS FILM CLUB

**18 JANUARY 2014, 11AM-12NOON (Age: 3-8 Years)**



Kids come and join us in the Parish Rooms to watch your favourite animated Bible stories on DVD! A wonderful way for our kids to meet each other and learn about God. Children should attend with one parent who must be present for the whole film.



## A CHRISTMAS CELEBRATION

**WEDNESDAY 18TH & THURSDAY 19TH DECEMBER at 7.30pm**



### WESTMINSTER CATHEDRAL

Westminster Cathedral Choir & Orchestra, Martin Baker Conductor

Tickets available from Westminster Cathedral Gift Shop and at [www.ticketmaster.co.uk](http://www.ticketmaster.co.uk)



## NATIVITY PLAY

**THURSDAY 19 DECEMBER AT 4.30PM AND 7PM**



A dramatisation of the nativity will be staged in the heart of London. The story ranges from the piazza outside BBC Broadcasting House where the shepherds will tend their flocks, to the roof, where the Angel Gabriel will appear, to All Souls' Church, where the birth will take place. The 90-minute performance will take place twice. Tickets: Adults £20 Children £10 Visit [www.wintershall-estate.com/uploads/files/promotional/LoC/Nativity-2013-11-Flyer.pdf](http://www.wintershall-estate.com/uploads/files/promotional/LoC/Nativity-2013-11-Flyer.pdf)

## ROME FOR THE CANONISATION of BLESSED POPE JOHN XXIII

### and BLESSED POPE JOHN-PAUL II

24 to 28 APRIL 2014 (5 days, 4 nights)

Details from Anthony Coles, Tel: 020 7431 3414 Email: [arctc@btinternet.com](mailto:arctc@btinternet.com)

## WOULD YOU LIKE TO REFLECT ON THE SUNDAY READINGS MORE FULLY?

The Catholic Biblical Association of Great Britain has reflections on the first and second readings, the Psalms and Gospel each Sunday by Fr Nicholas King SJ on their website: [cbagb.org.uk/scripture-notes](http://cbagb.org.uk/scripture-notes).



See also the web link to The Wednesday Word: [www.wednesdayword.org](http://www.wednesdayword.org).

The reflections on the Sunday Scriptures are provided by Dom Henry Wansbrough, OSB.

These are highly recommended ways of deepening one's prayer life using the Holy Scriptures.

## SERVICES FOR CHRISTMAS

### **Tuesday 24 December Christmas Eve**

11.00-12.00 Confessions

17.00 Vigil Mass of Christmas specially for young children.

Children are encouraged to dress as figures from the Crib.

23.00 Midnight Mass of Christmas. The Mass will be preceded by Readings and carols.

### **Wednesday 25 December Christmas Day**

08.30 Mass

10.00 Mass

11.30 Mass *There is no evening Mass.*

### **Thursday 26 December St Stephen, The First Martyr**

12.00 Mass



## Third Sunday of Advent

Saturday	6.30pm	Vigil Mass
Sunday	8.30am	
	10.00am	Family Mass
	11.30am	Solemn Mass, Mass Intention: Sister June Sadler & Catherine Sadler, RIP
	6.30pm	Mass with Hymns
Monday	16 Dec 0900	Advent Feria
Tuesday	17 Dec 0900	Mass at St Dorothy's Convent, Advent Feria
Wednesday	18 Dec 0900	Advent Feria
Thursday	19 Dec 0900	Mass at St Dorothy's Convent, Advent Feria
Friday	20 Dec 0900	Advent Feria

### PARISH SAFE-GUARDING REPRESENTATIVE - Deirdre Allen

She can be contacted in confidence at [deirdreallen2@hotmail.com](mailto:deirdreallen2@hotmail.com)

### THE SACRAMENTS

Baptism: usually on Saturday by prior arrangement with the Parish Priest.

Penance: Saturday 6pm-6:25pm

Marriage: by appointment with the Parish Priest

Visiting of the Sick and Housebound: please arrange with the Parish Priest

Confirmation: annually by participation in Confirmation Program

Convert Instruction: regular courses run by the Parish Priest

Mass Intentions: can be arranged through the Parish Priest

### DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

*Details for events can be found on the  
Display Board in the back of the church.*

### Catholic Teaching For Children Attending Non-Catholic Schools

- 24 Dec **Christmas Eve**  
Confessions: 12 noon  
Vigil Mass of Christmas specially for  
young children, 5pm  
Midnight Mass, 11pm
- 25 Dec **Christmas Day**  
Masses: 8.30am, 10am, 11.30am  
(There will be no evening Mass)
- 26 Dec **St Stephen, The First Martyr**  
Mass: 12 noon
- 18 Jan Parish Kids Film Club,  
Parish Rooms, 11am-12noon



Sister Pauline from St. Dorothy's Convent is responsible for the instruction of children who attend non-Catholic schools. The classes take place every Sunday (in term time) beginning at 11am in St. Dorothy's Convent, 99 Frognaal. Children must be registered beforehand. Please contact:  
**Sister Pauline 020 7794 6893**

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