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**4 - 12 December 2021**



**PARISH PRIEST:** Fr Patrick Zammit **Tel: 01322 279955**  
**PARISH PRIEST EMERITUS (Retired):** Fr Michael Leach  
**PERMANENT DEACON:** Rev Michael Dale  
**PARISH SCHOOL – St Anselm's** Headteacher – Mrs Laura White **Tel: 01322 225173**

Saturday	4 Dec	<b>6.30pm</b>	<b>First Mass of Sunday</b> - Lidwina Jung – Rita Usher
Sunday	5 Dec	<b>8.00am</b>	Thomas Kelly RIP (Ann.) – Susan & Ann Kelly <b>2ND SUNDAY OF ADVENT (B)</b>
		<b>10.00am</b>	Joseph Vaz RIP - Algine
		<b>12 noon</b>	ACCA Thanksgiving – Knights of St Columba
		<b>5.00pm</b>	<b>FOR THE PEOPLE OF THE PARISH</b>
Monday	6 Dec	8.30am	EXPOSITION & ADORATION – Deliverance from the Pandemic
		<b>9.00am</b>	Marvin Coleman RIP – Karen Coleman
		*	<b>MEDUGORJE PRAYER GROUP</b> (will restart in the Spring)
Tuesday	7 Dec	8.30am	EXPOSITION & ADORATION – Deliverance from the Pandemic
		<b>9.00am</b>	Anne's Recovery – husband Greg <span style="float: right;">ST AMBROSE</span>
		<b>11.00am</b>	Martin Ward (Junior) RIP (Ann.) (BISHOP & DOCTOR OF THE CHURCH)
Wednesday	8 Dec	8.30am	EXPOSITION & ADORATION – Deliverance from the Pandemic
			THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY
		<b>9.00am</b>	Mark/Anna & Families – M Bobbington
Thursday	9 Dec	8.30am	EXPOSITION & ADORATION – Deliverance from the Pandemic
		<b>9.00am</b>	Deacon Patrick Maloney RIP (Ann.)
Friday	10 Dec	<b>8.15am</b>	<b>DARENT VALLEY HOSP.: MASS: HOLY SOULS</b>
		8.30am	EXPOSITION & ADORATION – Deliverance from the Pandemic
		<b>9.00am</b>	Leonardo Soriano (Jnr) RIP – Mary Jane Abalos
		<b>5.15pm</b>	<b>- 6.00pm CONFIRMATION CLASS</b>
Saturday	11 Dec	<b>10.00am</b>	Martin Mongan RIP <span style="float: right;">BLESSED VIRGIN MARY</span>
		<b>2.00pm</b>	<b>BAPTISMS:</b> Freddie Brendan Tommy & Reggie George Richard Kelly
		<b>6.30pm</b>	<b>First Mass of Sunday</b> - Abigail – Abeish & Rupali
Sunday	12 Dec	<b>8.00am</b>	Luigi Crisci – Alberto Crisci <b>3RD SUNDAY OF ADVENT (B)</b>
		<b>10.00am</b>	Jacqueline Downey (Care Home) – Brian Downey
		<b>12 noon</b>	Mass to be offered by the MAHON FAMILY for the support received form friends for the late Eileen Mahon
		<b>5.00pm</b>	<b>FOR THE PEOPLE OF THE PARISH</b>

**NEW CLEANING TEAMS:** 11.12.21: Team 'B' (Gemma Kagho, Karen Coleman & Hubby)  
19.12.21: Team 'C' (African Community)  
21.12.21: Team 'D' (Lesley Hovell, Doris)  
25.12.21: Team 'E' (Edith Ranson, John Murphy)  
30.12.21: Team 'F' (Filipino Community)

**CHRISTMAS MUSIC NIGHT:** I would like to thank all those who performed during the evening, Dave Quinn, Senior Moments, The Amigos, The Filipinos, Len Wilson and Pat Taylor (Fr Christmas). I would like to thank those who helped on the night, The Knights of St Columba, Margaret Dale (catering) and John Murphy who also helped set up the hall earlier in the day. The amount raised was £430.00 which will go to Peru. Thank you too for all those who came on the night or made a donation. Finally I would like to thank Fr Pat for the use of the hall. Mike Dale

**ADVENT SEASON:** We journey through Advent in the belief and hope that spiritually we arrive at the promised land where we encounter Jesus our Messiah. The Church in many ways tries to bring us to a greater understanding of the mystery of the incarnation and its benefits. Attached to this newsletter you will find two short writings. The first speaks of the meaning and the importance of Advent. The second speaks about the liturgical aspect. Please do read them they are very informative.

**PAMPHLETS: 'DAY BY DAY'** These pamphlets give us the appropriate texts of the scriptures for reading and understanding the 'message of Advent'. The pamphlets are to be found at the back of the Church Adult copy £1. 'Day by Day' (Junior - 50p) & 'Day by Day' (Infants - 50p)

**CHILDREN'S CHOIR:** Mrs Irina Farcas is appealing to all children who wish to join the choir. We would like to see as many children as possible. If you would like to join the Children's Choir there are forms available to fill at the back of the Church.

**SENIOR PARISHIONERS CHRISTMAS TEA PARTY:** This year in place of the Senior Parishioners Christmas Dinner, we are having a **SENIOR PARISHIONERS CHRISTMAS TEA PARTY.** It has proved difficult to organize the Dinner due to the changes the pandemic has created. Hopefully next year things will return to normal. The Senior Parishioners Christmas Tea Party will take place on **SATURDAY 11<sup>th</sup> DECEMBER (2021).** Time is at 6.00pm at the Parish Hall. It is important to fill the CARD, marked '**SENIOR PARISHIONERS CHRISTMAS TEA PARTY**'. An early reply would be much appreciated. Sorry for the late notice.

**CHRISTMAS EVE CHILDREN'S MASS:** Our traditional **CHILDREN'S EVE CHRISTMAS MASS** will be held on **Friday 24<sup>th</sup> December at 5.00pm.** In light of the Covid and the degree of higher infection in some children. **The Children's Mass will be by ticket only.** If you wish to attend, please collect your card after Mass or from the Presbytery. Cards are available from this weekend.

**COVID:** The Parish in the main has retained all the disciplines required during Covid i.e. 1) Use of Masks (2) Hand Sanitisation, (3) Test & Trace Form Filling. It is highly desirable to observe these instructions.

**Grand Christmas Draw:** In light of the pandemic we have reduced the number of tickets for sale for this Christmas. It is paramount that we do not run the draw with a loss. All tickets need to be sold for the draw to make a profit. Your help in buying and selling the tickets is needed for it to be a success. We kindly ask you to help us with the sale of the tickets. The tickets are twenty pence each or a book for £2.00. The draw will take place on **24<sup>th</sup> December 2021 on Christmas Eve.** My thanks for your support.

## **ADMISSION TO RECEPTION CLASS FOR SEPTEMBER 2022**

### **St Anselm's Catholic Primary School - Admission to Reception Class for September 2022**

If you have a child born between 1/9/17 and 31/8/18 you can apply for a place in the Reception Class at St Anselm's Catholic Primary School, all information can be found on the school website via the following link [St Anselms/Admissions](#)

Although there will be no tours of the school this year, due to COVID-19, applicants can view the video of the school at work on the admissions page.

In order to apply for a place, parents and carers will need to complete a local authority online application form via [www.kent.gov.uk/ola](http://www.kent.gov.uk/ola) and a Supplementary Information Form (SIF). The SIF is available from the school office or you can download a copy from the school website. All online applications must be submitted to the Local Authority and completed SIFs must be returned to the school by the 17<sup>th</sup> January 2022.