

# THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT

13<sup>th</sup> December 2009

## HOLY SPIRIT & OUR LADY'S ACTIVITIES



### TODAY IS THE THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT

It's not too late to do something extra this Advent, and renew your relationship with Christ.

**THE BECKET SCHOOL CAROL SERVICE** will be held on Monday 14<sup>th</sup> December at the new Becket School. All are welcome to help celebrate the real message of Christmas and to see the new school.

### CHRISTMAS MASS TIMES:

**Holy Spirit:** 4.30 p.m. 6.30 p.m. and Midnight (Christmas Eve)

9.00 a.m. and 10.30 a.m. (Christmas Day)

**Our Lady's:** 6.30 p.m. (Christmas Eve)

11.00 a.m. (Christmas Day)

### FAMILY CHRISTMAS SPECTACULAR OF CAROLS FOR ALL: St Barnabas

Cathedral is presenting this event on Friday 18<sup>th</sup> December 2009 in aid of the Mary Magdalen Foundation. The aim is to promote the work of the Foundation's Sanctuary. Tickets will be available on the door, with no advance sales, at £5 per adult and £3 per child.

**CaFE RETREAT DAY:** CaFE has organised a one day retreat on Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup> January 2010 at the Church of the Good Shepherd, Woodthorpe from 10.00 a.m. to 4.00 p.m. The theme of the day will be "Life to the full" and will be led by David Payne (founder and Director of Catholic Evangelisation

Services) and his team. The day will include inspirational talks, music, drama and time for prayer. The cost of the day will be £10 per person. Tea and coffee will be provided but participants are asked to bring their own packed lunch.

**SECOND COLLECTIONS:** There will be a second collection at all the masses this weekend for the Quota.

**PRAYER INTENTION FOR DECEMBER 2009:** Let us say a decade of the Rosary every day in December and pray with Mary for all expectant mothers that their babies are born safely into the world.

## HOLY SPIRIT ACTIVITIES

<b>Rotas:</b> This Week Next Week	<b>Euch. Ministers</b> Week 3 Week 4	<b>Counters</b> Eddie & Theresa Brennan Colin & Anita Blake
<b>Rotas:</b> This Week Next Week	<b>Readers</b> Cycle 3 Cycle 4	<b>Shop</b> M Pearson/Shelagh Penhale Mary Corcoran & Anne Turton
<b>Rotas:</b> This Week Next Week	<b>Sunday Coffee 9.00</b> Ros Woods & Ann Vesey Sheila & Marisa	<b>Sunday Coffee 10.30</b> Vimpney Family Brennan Family
<b>Rotas:</b> This Week Next Week	<b>Children's Liturgy School-age Leader</b> Susan Devaney Paula Rawsthorne	<b>Children's Liturgy Pre-school</b> Rob Nieri Estella Draper

**OPERATION CHRISTMAS CARDS:** Once again we are distributing Christmas Cards to all houses in the area. The cards list details of our Christmas Masses and extend an open invitation to attend them. In line with our Parish Pastoral Plan, we hope "To share our spirituality and prayer with those in the wider community" and "To welcome people to our worshipping community." The distribution of the cards is a major logistical exercise that works well if lots of

people lend a hand. Please spare an hour or so to deliver cards to one or more streets in the area. The packs of cards are available for you to pick up at this weekend's Masses.

**CAKE SALE:** Delicious Cakes for Sale in the Social Centre after the 10.30 a.m. mass this Sunday. All proceeds go to funding a young person who is going with Project Trust to teach in China.

**YOUTH MASS: DECEMBER 19<sup>TH</sup> 6.30PM:** Calling all young people of the parish to get stuck in! If you can play an instrument, sing, read or would like to be involved in any way please come along to our practices on Saturday December 12<sup>th</sup> at 16.45 p.m. and Wednesday December 16<sup>th</sup> upstairs in the social centre. For more info contact Caty 07939 467 840.

**VOLUNTEERS REQUIRED:** Angela Knott and Chantelle Bell are looking for around 6 children from the school aged Liturgy Group to take part in the Christmas Eve 4.30 p.m. Mass by acting out the Gospel. A rehearsal will take place upstairs in the Social Centre after the 10.30 a.m. Mass on Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> December for around 30 minutes. Parents of anyone interested in taking part should contact Chantelle Bell on 07815 065562 or by email at chantelle.bell@alturnetworks.co.uk.

**SOCIAL CENTRE NEW YEAR'S EVE & ANNIVERSARY PARTY:** The social centre is celebrating its 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary (1969 - 2009) by holding a New Year's Eve party. There will be music, dancing, a late bar and shared table. Please come and join us in this unique event. Tickets, which are £2 and £1 for children under 12, are available from Chris Farmer on 9815721 and Bernadette Turner on 9233127. All proceeds from ticket sales and raffle to Parish Charities.

**LECTIO DIVINA PRAYER GROUP:** As a result of our 'Prayer Taster Sessions' a Lectio Divina Prayer Group will start meeting once a month, on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday, at 7.30 p.m. in the Library area. We will be relaxing and listening for God to speak to us through silence and the readings for the coming Sunday. The first meeting is on the 12<sup>th</sup> January at 7.30pm. All are very welcome to give it a try.

**THE HOLY SPIRIT SVP SPONSORING A BABY IN THE SUDAN APPEAL:** There are more forms available at the back of the church this weekend for anyone who wishes to purchase a present for Christmas in the form of feeding a baby for one year with the SVP feeding programme in the Sudan.

**HOMELESS AT CHRISTMAS:** As we approach the birth of Jesus can you help provide shelter, warmth and food for his family in today's world? As the crib is assembled over the next few weeks you will notice items appearing next to the crib. Can you help by adding to them - the same or similar? Warm socks, Scarves, Hats, Sleeping bags, waterproofs, Torches + batteries, Non perishable food, Soap, Shampoo etc. The Homeless support team in the parish will deliver these items to Emmanuel House, The Friary drop-in and London Road Night Shelter each week. Please remember to support the Homeless not only during Advent and Christmas but throughout the year. (deposit items in cupboards in church porch) Thank You.

**TRAIDCRAFT:** Goods on sale on 12<sup>th</sup> and 13<sup>th</sup> December after all Masses. Your chance to stock up before Christmas!

**HOLY SPIRIT BOOKSHOP** has a variety of Christmas cards, including charity cards, Advent Calendars, Nativity cribs, wrapping paper as well as children's Christmas books,

activity books and much more, together with cards for Mass, Sympathy, Baptism, Birthday etc. We also have Missals, prayer cards, statutes rosaries. Please come and browse.

## **COTGRAVE ACTIVITIES**

**HAZEL O'BRIEN R.I.P:** Please remember in your Masses and prayers Hazel O'Brien of Rise Gate, who died last week. Many of you will remember Hazel, as the friendly face in Harpurs over the years. Our thoughts and prayers are with her daughters Julie, Karen and all the family. The funeral will take place on Monday 21st December at 10.45 a.m. in Our Lady's Church. May she rest in peace. Amen.

**CHILDREN'S SOCIETY:** We have received letter from the Society asking for gifts for Christmas of new toys, games, pens/pencils, colouring books, selection boxes and toiletries for children aged 0 to 16 years. If you can help with this please leave them in church as soon as possible. Please mark them for a boy/girl and age as appropriate.

### *PRAYER FOR THE WEEK*

*Lord, we are happy because You are near  
Your coming to us fills us with joy and excitement  
We are filled with expectation  
Prepare our hearts and minds  
Fill us with faith and hope and charity  
Bring us all together in the unity of the Holy Spirit  
Help us to understand what Your coming means to the  
world  
Let us love one another in the peace of Christ  
who is God, for ever and ever  
Amen*

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### **WEBSITES**

Parish: [www.holyspiritwb.org](http://www.holyspiritwb.org)  
[www.ourladyofgracecotgrave.org.uk](http://www.ourladyofgracecotgrave.org.uk)  
Deanery: [www.nottmeastdeanery.org](http://www.nottmeastdeanery.org)  
Diocese: [www.nottingham-diocese.org.uk](http://www.nottingham-diocese.org.uk)

### **CONTACT DETAILS FOR HOLY SPIRIT ORGANISATIONS**

ORGANISATION	CONTACT	TEL. NO.
Brownies	Claire Spencer	9142508
Cafod and Traidcraft	Mary Crosby	9234866
Catenians	Barry Espinasse	9821404
Cubs	Carole Colaluca	9231770
Education	Margaret Gaten	07786 332637
Golf Society	John Carolan	9819760
Guides	Pat Greenwood	9149959
Baby & Toddler Group	Caty Darby	07939 467840
Parish Pastoral Council	Mary Crosby	9234866
Scouts	Margaret Walker	9899553
S.V.P.	Peter Molyneux	9235395
U.C.M	Alice Cahill	9810950
Fellowship Group	Mary	9149473
Social Centre Bookings 11am - 5pm, Mon - Fri	Mary Elliott-Smith	9147153
Cricket Team	David Paton	923 1397
H.S. Sports Club	Barry Espinasse	9821404
H.S. Badminton	Tony O'Dwyer	9452648
Lourdes	Rosario Hannigan	07776 157778
H.S. Football	Steve Murphy	9452681

### **CONTACT DETAILS FOR COTGRAVE ORGANISATIONS**

Parish Pastoral Council	Anne Ferguson	9892693
Children's Liturgy	Sandie Clogg	9899253
Traidcraft	Lynne Harrison	9140577
CAFOD	Sandie Clogg	9899253
SVP	Jeannie Dodd	9375298

### **PARISH CHURCHES**

The Holy Spirit	Our Lady of Grace
Melton Road	Candleby Lane
West Bridgford	Cotgrave
Nottingham	Nottingham
NG2 7JW	NG12 3JG

### **SCHOOLS**

Primary School	Senior School
St Edmund Campion	The Becket
Head Teacher	Head Teacher
Mrs D Longley	Mr A Glover
Tel. 0115 9147889	Tel. 0115 9824280

### **CLERGY TEAM**

Parish Priest	Assistant Priest
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Diary for Week Commencing 13 <sup>th</sup> December 2009							Social Centre Diary		
Day	Church of the Holy Spirit, West Bridgford			Church of Our Lady of Grace, Cotgrave			Hall	Library	Upstairs
<b>Sunday</b> 13 December 3 <sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Advent	6.30 pm 9.00 am  10.30 am 5.00pm	Vigil Mass (S) Mass  Mass Sung Vespers	Francis Nott R.I.P. Dec. Fam & Friends of Kalisz & Parmentolla Families People of the Parish and Benediction	11.00 am	Sung Mass	John Bullen R.I.P.	Coffee after 9 am & 10.30 am Masses		
<b>Monday</b> 14 December St John of the Cross	7.10pm 7.30pm	Divine Office Mass	Evening Prayer of the Church Linda Stoddart R.I.P.				6-8 pm Brownies	8.15-9.15 pm SVP	6-8 pm Cubs
<b>Tuesday</b> 15 December Advent Feria (Rose Sunday)	8.55 am 9.15 am  2.30pm	Divine Office Mass  Prayers for	Morning Prayer of the Church Chrissie McLeod: Spec. Int. & P.J. Daly R.I.P. Advent				5-9 pm Ballet		6.30-7.30 Drama
<b>Wednesday</b> 16 December Advent Feria	8.55 am 9.15 am	Divine Office Mass	Morning Prayer of the Church Patricia Allen R.I.P. & Dec. Fam & Friends of McCann & McGovern Families				Coffee after 9.15am Mass 2-4 pm Art Class		6-9 pm Youth Project
<b>Thursday</b> 17 December Advent Feria	8.55 am 9.15 am	Divine Office Mass	Morning Prayer of the Church Dec. Fam & Friends of Maureen Wood	8.55 am  9.15 am	Divine Office  Mass	Morning Prayer of the Church Kathleen Sharp R.I.P.	10-11.30 am Toddler Group 7.15 - 9pm Scouts	11.45 am Fellowship Group Meeting	
<b>Friday</b> 18 December Advent Feria	8.55 am 9.15 am  6.30 pm 7.30 pm	Divine Office Mass  Exposition Mass	Morning Prayer of the Church Dec. Fam & Friends of O'Shea & O'Sullivan Families of the Blessed Sacrament Margaret Ferguson R.I.P. & Cyril Allen R.I.P.					Library open after morning Mass. 9-11 pm Bar	
<b>Saturday</b> 19 December Advent Feria	9.15am 9.45-10.15 5.45 -6.15 6.30 pm	Mass Confessions Confessions Vigil Mass	Dec.Fam & Friends of P Molloy   Sheila Walker R.I.P.				9 - 3pm Ballet 6-8.30 Youth Project		10-12 noon Drama
<b>Sunday</b> 20 December 4 <sup>th</sup> Sunday of Advent	9.00 am 10.30 am  5.00pm	Mass Mass  Sung Vespers	People of the Parish Dec. Fam & Friends of the Crosby Family & Benediction	11.00 am	Sung Mass	Simon Spalding R.I.P.	Coffee after 9am and 10.30am Masses		