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FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT – 22 DEC 2019

Church Cleaning: Week 3

Divine Office: Week 4

SATURDAY Eve of the FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT

SUNDAY FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT

Mass at 6.00 pm.

Melksham Mass at 9.00 am.

MONDAY Weekday of Advent II (O Emmanuel)

TUESDAY Weekday of Advent II (Int: Markella & Lawrence McNally)

Mass at 11.00 am.

Mass at 10.00 am.

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Mass for families with young children (all welcome), blessing of the crib at 5.00 pm.

Christmas Night Mass at 10.00 pm.

WEDNESDAY SOLEMNITY OF THE NATIVITY OF THE LORD

Holyday of Obligation

THURSDAY FEAST OF SAINT STEPHEN

FRIDAY FEAST OF SAINT JOHN

SATURDAY FEAST OF THE HOLY INNOCENTS

Eve of THE HOLY FAMILY OF JESUS, MARY AND JOSEPH

Melksham Mass at 9.00 am.

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Mass at 6.00 pm.

Confessions: from 5.30 pm to 5.50 pm and at call.



WELCOME TO ALL ATTENDING SAINT EDMUND'S CHURCH THIS CHRISTMAS.

As a Parish Community we particularly welcome all those who are visiting and joining with us to celebrate Christ's birth. May you, your families, and your loved ones experience the peace and joy of this season which was first announced to the shepherds of Bethlehem.

THIS WEEKEND there will a retiring collection for flowers to decorate our church over Christmas.

PILGRIMAGE: A pilgrimage to Krakow is proposed for September 2020, in conjunction with Saint Anthony's, Melksham. Further details are on the porch notice board.

WARM CLOTHING: Thank you for the warm clothing donations - we have plenty now, **so no more donations please.**

FOOD BANK is in high demand and is in need of tins of vegetables, potatoes, biscuits and fruit juice. Thank you.

CHRISTMAS OFFERING: A reminder that the Christmas and Easter offerings are a main source of income for parish priests. Please take an offering envelope and give generously.

ST ANTHONY'S, Melksham, invite St Edmund's Parishioners to celebrate Mass on Wednesday 1st January at 11 am at St Anthony's. After Mass there will be a shared Lunch in the hall, to which everyone is invited to contribute.

USED STAMPS are being collected to raise funds for the Royal National Institute of Blind People. Please leave any contributions in the box in the porch and remember to leave a centimetre of envelope or packaging around each stamp.

FOUNDATION DIRECTORS: The Bishop and Trustees are looking to appoint 6 foundation Directors of a new emerging Multi-Academy Trust of 4 schools in Swindon. The Romero Catholic Schools Trust will be the first within the Diocese of Clifton and therefore will be an exciting opportunity for all concerned. Nominations from both new and existing Foundation Governors/Directors would be welcome. If you are interested, please contact Director of Schools and Colleges Mrs Colleen Collett at colleen.collett@cliftondiocese.com or complete the appropriate forms available on <https://schools.cliftondiocese.com/governance> under Recruitment. Closing date for applications is 3 Jan 2020. Further details are on our notice board.

MOTHER'S PRAYERS will next meet in the Church Hall on Tuesday 14th January 2020, 10.30 am to 11.30am.

WEEK OF PRAYER FOR CHRISTIAN UNITY is from 18 to 25 January with an ecumenical service at Saint Edmund's on Wednesday 22 January at 6 pm. All are welcome.

DIOCESAN EVENTS (See notice board for details):

16 Jan 2020 onwards from 6.30 pm: Youth Ministry Formation at Alexander House, Pennywell Road, Bristol.

18 Jan 2020 9.30 am to 3.30 pm: Catechist Day with David Wells at St Brendan's College, Bristol.

29 Jan 2020 onwards from 7.00 pm: Catechist's Formation at St Osmund's, Exeter Street, Salisbury.

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS all who are unwell or housebound, especially those members of our parish, including Florence Bampton, Kevin Bewley, Teresa Bowyer, Christopher Browne and family, Teresa Collar, Kathleen Drury, Margaret Heard, Teresa Hickling, Michael McNiff, Maggie Murray, Fr Richard Northey, Mary O'Brian, Derek Quinn, Audrey Tickner, and Elizabeth Wilkins. Please inform Fr Vincent if you know a parishioner is unwell/housebound.