

# SAINT EDMUND'S PARISH – CALNE

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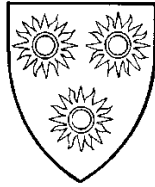
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## FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT – 19<sup>th</sup> DECEMBER 2021

### Church Cleaning: Week 1

SATURDAY EVE of the FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT

SUNDAY FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT

TUESDAY Weekday of Advent

THURSDAY Weekday of Advent

FRIDAY Weekday of Advent

Christmas Eve Masses

SATURDAY SOLEMNITY of the NATIVITY of the LORD

### Divine Office: Week 4

Mass at 6.00 pm

Mass at 11.00 am

Mass at 10.00 am

Mass at 10.00 am

Mass at 10.00 am

Mass at 5.00 pm and 10.00 pm

Mass at 11.00 am

Confessions by arrangement with Fr Vincent

**To restrict the spread of Coronavirus, face coverings must now be worn in places of worship**



## 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.

**CHRISTMAS SERVICES:** The times of the Christmas services are as follows:

**Friday 24<sup>th</sup> December, Christmas Eve:** St Edmund's - 5.00 pm and 10.00 pm;

St Anthony of Padua - 5.00 pm and 8.00 pm;

**Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> December, Christmas Day:** St Edmund's 11.00 am- please note there will be NO 6.00pm Mass

St Anthony of Padua - 9.00 am

**Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> December – Feast of the Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph:**

St Edmund's – 11.00am

St Anthony of Padua – 9.00 am

**Christmas Collections are for Fr Vincent and are the main source of income for the priest.**

**STAMPS FOR RNIB:** Thank you to all of you who have continued to collect postage stamps to raise funds for RNIB. A large packet has recently been sent to the RNIB with our latest contribution, but unfortunately 1kg of stamps only raises about £20! Collecting stamps at this time of year is particularly fruitful but remember to leave a centimetre of envelope or packaging around each stamp. Collections can be passed to Adrienne Darts or posted to Broad Acres, Charlcutt, Calne, SN11 9HL.

**ASSOCIATION FOR THE PROPAGATION OF THE FAITH (APF) MISSIO RED BOXES:** Please bring in your red boxes by Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> December so that the money can be paid in by Christmas to maximise our 2021 return. 2022 calendars are now available in the porch.

**MINISTRY OF READING:** Father Michael Fountaine, parish priest of Chippenham and Corsham, will be leading a session for all readers in our parish on the ministry of reading, on Saturday 15<sup>th</sup> January at St Edmunds School, Calne, from 11.30 until around 14.00 -14.30 with a "bring your own" picnic lunch.

**CAFOD** is combining efforts with the DEC to launch the Afghanistan Crisis Appeal. In Afghanistan, 8 million people are on the brink of famine because of drought, collapsing economy, food shortages, conflict, and COVID. CAFOD is supporting sister Caritas agencies to reach communities most in need with food, clean water, and fuel. During Advent, when we open ourselves to the needs of others, let's do all that we can to save lives. You can donate on the CAFOD website: [cafod.org.uk/AfghanistanAppeal](http://cafod.org.uk/AfghanistanAppeal) and please pray for the people of Afghanistan.

**CALNE FOOD BANK:** There is a list of food needed for Calne Food Bank on the box in the Church Porch. Please do not donate porridge, packets of cereal or pasta, at present, as we have so much it is likely to go out of date. Toiletries and cleaning materials are also very much needed. Thank you.

**SUNDAY REFRESHMENTS:** Please come and join us for refreshments after Sunday Mass - all welcome!

**COMMUNION AT HOME:** We are aware that there are a number of elderly and house bound parishioners who have been unable to get to Mass during the Lockdown. If they would like to have Holy Communion brought to them at home, please can they, or friends and/or family please contact Father Vincent who will arrange for a Minister of the Eucharist to visit and bring Communion. Thank you.

**NEWSLETTER SUBMISSIONS:** The deadline for submissions is before Wednesday. Contact details remain unchanged. Thank you.

**PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS** all who are unwell or housebound, especially those members of our parish, including Florence Bampton, Teresa Bowyer, Christopher & Clifford Browne and family, Teresa Collar, Kathleen Drury, Margaret Heard, Michael McNiff, Maggie Murray, Mary O'Brian, Margaret O'Dea, Elizabeth Wilkins, Heather Smith, Anne Doyle, Ann and John Cripwell, Marie Sawyer. Please inform Fr Vincent if you know a parishioner is unwell or housebound.

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