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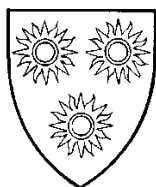
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FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT – 24th DECEMBER 2023

Church Cleaning: Week 2

Divine Office: PSALTER 4, PROPER OF SEASON

SATURDAY	EVE of the FOURTH SUNDAY of ADVENT St Anthony of Padua, Melksham, No Mass	Mass at 6.00 pm
SUNDAY	FOURTH SUNDAY of ADVENT CHRISTMAS EVE CHILDREN and FAMILY MASS 5.00 pm NIGHT MASS 10.00 pm St Anthony of Padua Night Mass 9.00 pm	Mass at 11.00 am
MONDAY	THE NATIVITY of the LORD - CHRISTMAS DAY St Anthony of Padua - 9.00 am	Mass 11.00 am
TUESDAY	FEAST of St STEPHEN, the FIRST MARTYR	Mass at 11.00 am
WEDNESDAY	FEAST of St JOHN, APOSTLE, EVANGELIST St Anthony of Padua – No Mass	Mass at 11.00 am
THURSDAY	NO MASS	
FRIDAY	NO MASS	
SATURDAY	EVE of the HOLY FAMILY of JESUS, MARY AND JOSEPH St Anthony of Padua, Melksham, No Mass	Mass at 6.00 pm

THE HOLY FAMILY OF JESUS, MARY AND JOSEPH - 31st DECEMBER 2023

Church cleaning: Week 3

Divine Office: PROPER OF FEAST

SATURDAY	EVE of the HOLY FAMILY of JESUS, MARY and JOSEPH St Anthony of Padua, Melksham, No Mass	Mass at 6.00 pm
SUNDAY	HOLY FAMILY of JESUS, MARY and JOSEPH	Mass at 11.00 am
MONDAY	SOLEMNITY of MARY, THE HOLY MOTHER of GOD	Mass 11.00 am
TUESDAY	Memorial of Ss Basil the Great and Gregory Nanzianzen, Bishops, Doctors of the Church	Mass at 10.00 am
WEDNESDAY	Weekday of Christmas Time St Anthony of Padua – Mass at 10.00 am	
THURSDAY	Weekday of Christmas Time	Mass at 10.00 am
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SATURDAY	EVE of the SOLEMNITY of the EPIPHANY of the LORD St Anthony of Padua, Melksham, Mass at 10.00 am	Mass at 6.00 pm

Confessions by arrangement with Fr Vincent

To restrict the spread of virus, you may wish to continue to wear a face covering. Please sanitise your hands on entering the Church.

Christmas Collections are for Fr Vincent and are the main source of income for the priest.
Crib offerings are for the "Litte Way" Association



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.

FRIDAY 5th JANUARY: We welcome the pupils of St Edmund' school who join us for Mass today.

ST EDMUND'S CATHOLIC SCHOOL: There has thankfully been some interest in becoming a Governor of St Edmunds. The school mass on Friday 8th December was a joy, as were the carols in aid of the Calne Food Bank on Monday 18th. The staff and governors would like stronger connections with the Parish to support the Catholic ethos that underpins the life of the school. The Parish Project will raise money for a charity and projects identified by St Edmund's pupils and staff. We aim to demonstrate how much pupils, including the many with Special Educational Needs, enjoy their time at St Edmunds and so encourage more parents to enrol their

children in Reception. Meanwhile, the St Dunstan Catholic Education Trust (DCET) is actively working with the school to improve its OFSTED rating. Any questions or thoughts please contact vnve@se.thedcet.com

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION 2024: Sessions for children who wish to receive their First Holy Communion in 2024 will start on 14th January 2024. Parents, please contact Angel on WhatsApp 00447803805868.

NEW PARISHIONERS are asked to please complete a registration form (available in the porch) and hand to Fr Vincent. If you have never filled in a form, please take one for completion and return to Fr Vincent.

STARTING SCHOOL? If you have a child born between 1st **September 2019** and 31st **August 2020**, then **now** is the time to apply for a place at a primary school for admission from **September 2024** onwards. You must complete an application form that is available from the school admissions team of the **Wiltshire** Council. If your child has been baptised and you are applying for a Catholic school, you **must** also provide a copy of the baptism certificate to the school. Please ensure you apply by the closing date of **15th January 2024**.

ST AUGUSTINE'S CATHOLIC COLLEGE - ADMISSIONS POLICY: St Augustine's admissions policy for 2025-2026 has now been ratified, and can be found on the College website at : [St Augustine's Catholic College - Apply to Lower School \(st-augustines.wilts.sch.uk\)](https://www.st-augustines-wilts.sch.uk)

CALNE FOODBANK - Christmas at the Food Bank: We plan to give all Food bank clients a Christmas delivery so they can enjoy the Christmas Season. Please can you donate items for these? For example, Christmas puddings, tins of ham, boxes of biscuits, or mince pies etc. Thank you very much, it will be much appreciated.

NEWSLETTER SUBMISSIONS: Items for publication should be submitted before Wednesday each week. Contact details; please email calne.stedmund@cliftondiocese.com or speak to Fr Vincent. Thank you.

COMMUNION AT HOME: If any house bound parishioners unable to get to Mass would like Holy Communion brought to them at home, please contact Father Vincent, who will arrange a visit by a Minister of the Eucharist. Thank you.

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS all who are unwell or housebound, especially those members of our parish, including Florence Bampton, Theresa Bowyer, Clifford Browne and family, Teresa Coller, Kathleen Drury, Margaret Heard, Michael McNiff, Maggie Murray, Heather Smith, John Cripwell, Marie Sawyer, Helen Davies, Carol and Gemma. Please inform Fr Vincent if you know a parishioner is unwell or housebound.