### ST AUGUSTINE'S DATCHET

## **OUR LADY OF SORROWS ETON**

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# **NEWSLETTER**

# Sunday 1st December 2019 1st Sunday of Advent

Sunday Masses:	St Augustine's – Saturday at 6.00 pm; Sunday at 11.00 am					
	Our Lady of Sorrows - Sunday at 9.30 am					
Weekday	St Augustine's - Monday to Friday at 9.30 am					
Masses:	Mass will be preceded by praying the Rosary at 9.15 am					
Mass Intention						

St. Augustine's:	Saturday	30	November	6.00 pm	People of the Parish
	Sunday	1	December	11.00 am	Jesse Grey Alan Taylor Nodlaig Flaherty R.I.P
	Monday	2	December	9.30 am	Thomas & Mary Mulvihill
	Tuesday	3	December	9.30 am	Stephen Chambers R.I.P
	Wednesday	4	December	9.30 am	Carolyn Ansell R.I.P
	Thursday	5	December	9.30 am	Special Intention
	Friday	6	December	9.30 am	Carolyn Ansell R.I.P
Our Lady of Sorrows:	Sunday	1	December	9.30 am	Ronnie Stewart R.I.P

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament St. Augustine's, every Tuesday and Thursday from 5.30 pm to 6.30 pm, ending with Benediction at 6.15 pm

**Sacrament of Reconciliation** Saturdays from 12.30 to 1.30 pm. Fr. Frank will be available in St. Augustine's Church for those who wish to receive this sacrament or would like some spiritual guidance

Offertory Sunday 24 November 2019 £512.17

### **Safeguarding Representative**

Jan Fredrickson safeguarding@staugustines.org.uk

Renewed Commitment of Readers 7/8 December The Bishop has asked all Readers in parishes throughout the Diocese to renew their commitment to this important ministry

At all Masses, in this parish there will be a short ceremony that will remind us all of the importance of this ministry

**Churches Together 5 December** 7.30 – 8.00 pm Meet at the Baptist Church in Datchet

Carol Concert Sunday 8 December 12 noon to 1pm there will be a special Carol Concert in the Hall, led by Danny Mendes. All are welcome. Don't miss it

Food Bank This weekend

**St Augustine's Hall** The gas boiler in the Hall has now been replaced. We have a warm Hall again!

**Special Request from the Flower Group** This is an urgent request for new members. If you are interested in volunteering for this important ministry please contact Rita (07796081383)

### Your prayers are asked for

Fr. Séan Rynn and those parishioners who remain ill, including: Dorrie Keating, Maggie Auton, Michael Cadwallader, Joan and Jack Wilson, David Mendes, Yolande Solari, David Murray-Bruce and for those recovering from recent illness, including Jackie Cullen.

**Anniversaries** Please pray for those who died recently, including Mick Prichard, Ladislau Piedade Ratos, Robert Giffin, Peter Fredrickson, Ann Woodward, Betty Butler, John Connolly and Luceta Shaw, and for all those whose anniversaries occur about this time. May their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace.

#### SOME THOUGHTS ON CHRISTIAN LIVING

We begin the season of Advent today. In the midst of the hustle and bustle of life, and during the pre-Christmas rush to get everything prepared we need to remember that Jesus is the reason for the season of Christmas.

To help us keep Jesus as the reason for the Season the Church gives us four weeks to prepare our hearts for Jesus. Indeed, our entire lives are a preparation and waiting in hope for God. The Gospel today asks us to prepare for Jesus' Second Coming at our death. His advice is clear: 'Watch yourselves or your hearts will be coarsened by debauchery and drunkenness and the cares of life. Jesus is asking us to be aware of the attractions and temptations that are pulling us away from the real meaning of life. It is Jesus himself who is this meaning. There is no lasting happiness, only a temporary escape from today and its disappointments and responsibilities if we don't have Jesus at the very centre of our lives.

Fr. Frank