

ST AUGUSTINE'S DATCHET OUR LADY OF SORROWS ETON

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NEWSLETTER
Sunday 8th December 2019
2nd 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 Masses: St Augustine's – Monday to Friday at 9.30 am
Mass will be preceded by praying the Rosary at 9.15 am

Mass Intention

St. Augustine's:	Saturday	7	November	6.00 pm	Mass for the Parish
	Sunday	8	December	11.00 am	Jesse Lobo R.I.P
	Monday	9	December	9.30 am	Colm McBride R.I.P
	Tuesday	10	December	9.30 am	John William Burchell R.I.P
	Wednesday	11	December	9.30 am	Carolyn Ansell R.I.P
	Thursday	12	December	9.30 am	Ladislau Ratos R.I.P
	Friday	13	December	9.30 am	Special Intention

Our Lady of Sorrows: Sunday 8 December 9.30 am Patrick Stephens 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 1 December 2019 £487.21

Safeguarding Representative

Jan Fredrickson safeguarding@staugustines.org.uk

Carol Concert this Sunday 12 noon to 1pm a special Carol Concert in the Hall, led by Danny Mendes, all are welcome. Mince pies, mulled wine and coffee available

Churches Together in Datchet Carol Service Sunday 15 December 6.30 pm St Mary's Church Datchet

Advent Penitential Service Wednesday 18 December at 7.00 pm at St. Augustine's

Christmas Mass Times –

St. Augustine's: Tuesday 24 December 8.30 pm Carols followed by Christmas Night Mass at 9 pm. Wednesday 25 December 11.00 am Christmas Day Mass

Our Lady of Sorrows: Wednesday 25 December 9am Carols followed by Christmas Day Mass at 9.30am

Reading for the season of Advent Some booklets about Advent are at the back of the Church. They may help you to get into the spirit of this Holy Season. Only £1 each

Slough Homeless We will be hosting Slough Homeless in the Hall each Monday evening from January 30 to April 5. On January 20 we would like to donate things they may find useful – e.g. socks, scarves, woolly hats, toothpaste and brushes, hand towels, etc. all new or nearly new. Should you wish to donate, please leave items in the box in the Church either in St. Augustine's or Our Lady of Sorrows

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

John the Baptist is a dominant figure in today's liturgy. His job is to set the stage for Jesus to begin his ministry, and his central message is repentance – in Greek, metanoia - which literally means change of heart or turning one's life around. So John is inviting his audience to break with the past, turn to God, and go in a different direction. When Jesus begins his own ministry, his first message is the very same: 'repent, for the kingdom of God is close at hand'

This is a fitting message as we enter the second week of Advent. As we prepare to welcome Jesus we are invited to metanoia, or change of heart. As we ponder the mysteries of Christmas we are nudged onward in a new direction. This week, we could make a conscious effort not to be distracted by the pull of internet shopping and the noise and lights of attractive shops, to still our minds, and to open our hearts to God's call.

Fr. Frank