

DECEMBER 2018/JANUARY 2009

A list of readings for the Candlelit Carol Service is at the back of the church for the readers

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS

16 December

10.30 G Barker
6.30 G Conroy

23 December

10.30 G Barker, R Thompson, C O'Connor
6.30 G Conroy

PLEASE FILL IN THE CHRISTMAS ROTA (24, 25 DECEMBER) AT THE BACK OF CHURCH

30 December

10.30 E Hardcastle
6.30

6 January

10.30
6.30

13 January

10.30
6.30

20 January

10.30
6.30

27 January

10.30
6.30

READERS

J Rule, P Cox
G Jacovac, N Ascinto

P Brisbane, G Haddock
F McCormick,

B Lingwood, J Rule

AID TO THE CHURCH IN NEED: Please remember to pray for persecuted Christians and for the work of ACN. Could you go to an extra Mass and/or Eucharistic Adoration on behalf of a Christian who cannot? Please take a leaflet from the stand at the back of church.

May God, his Mother Mary and the Guardian Angels watch over those who are being persecuted for the faith. Touch the hearts and consciences of those who persecute them. Help those of us with freedom to practise our faith to love the Mass which so many of our brothers and sisters would give their lives to take part in.

VISITORS TO ST GEORGE'S CHURCH

Welcome to you all and thank you for joining us for Mass. We hope you enjoy your stay in York and your visit to our parish! Please join us for coffee in the Sacristy after 10.30 Mass on Sunday. We'd love to see you! Also, if you are making a donation, we'd be really grateful if you would use a Gift Aid envelope from the table at the back of the church. For every £1 you donate we can then claim back 25p from the Inland Revenue. *Many thanks for your support.*



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Sunday 16 December 2018

Third Sunday of Advent Year C (Office Week 3)

*Sunday 10.30am: W J McQuade, F B McQuade,
P Wright, McQuade Family
6.30pm: People of the parish*

*Next Sunday's Readings: Micah 5: 1-4, Hebrews 10: 5-10; Luke 1: 39-44
Unless announced otherwise service times are:*

Tuesday - Saturday: Morning Prayer 9.15am, Mass 9.30am

Exposition and Confessions: Saturday morning after Mass until 11.00

FEAST

INTENTIONS

<i>Mon</i> of Advent	NO MASS	<i>November List</i>
<i>Tue</i> of Advent		<i>Critchley Donation</i>
<i>Wed</i> of Advent		<i>Michael Polack</i>
<i>Thu</i> Primary School Christmas Production	in church after 9.30am Mass	<i>Susan Mulvaney</i>
<i>Fri</i> St Peter Canisius, Pr, Dr		<i>Kathleen Chapman</i>
<i>Sat</i> of Advent		<i>Michael and Pat White</i>

This Wednesday: CANDLELIT CAROL SERVICE at 6.30pm followed by refreshments - ALL WELCOME!

CHRISTMAS MASSES - ALL WELCOME TO ALL SERVICES

Sun 23 10.30am/6.30pm

*Mon 24 Christmas Eve: 9.30am followed by Confessions until 11.00am
8.00pm First Mass of Christmas
10.00pm Polish Mass*

Tue 25 Christmas Day: 9.30am; 1.30pm Polish Mass

*Lately dead: Michael Polack, Jack Stubbs
Anniversaries: Wilfrid Joseph McQuade, Francis Bernard McQuade,
Ethel 'Topsy' Carroll
Masses received for: Critchley Donation, Michael Polack,
Susan Mulvaney*

PARISH NEWS AND INFORMATION

Mobile Phones: please switch them off during Mass.

3rd World Christmas Raffle will be drawn this Sunday after Mass. Proceeds to Aid to the Church in Need (ACN).

First Holy Communion Programme: Wednesday 19 December in the Sacristy

Catholic Diaries with order of Mass available near St Anthony at back of church £4.95. Also 10 minute diaries £8.95

Christmas Cards also available at the back of the church near St Antony. Please put money in Piety Stall box.

Fairtrade Stall: Last Sunday, goods to the value of £175 were sold.

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament: Fridays 10.15am-6.00pm in the Corpus Christi Carmelites' chapel for peace and reconciliation.

Gift Aid: If any parishioner, who is a tax payer, would like to join the Gift Aid Scheme they should speak to the Gift Aid Organiser, Seamus O'Neill.

Anniversary of Baptism cards: As some of you may know, until recently we have sent out cards to children baptised here by Canon Alan to celebrate their 1st, 2nd and 3rd anniversaries of baptism. GDPR legislation (data protection) now prevents us doing this without permission from parent/guardian. We'd like to continue! If you know of a child to whom this may apply, please see the notice at the back of church, where there is also a supply of forms which can be filled in and handed to Canon Alan to allow this to continue.

Vestments: Thank you for a number of large donations - we have now funded the Green, White, Purple and Red sets. Donations still welcome for the Rose

CAFOD: Now Advent is here, you might like to take a look at the Cafod Advent calendar that is available online to provoke thought and prayer for those less well off than ourselves. The calendar is available from the following address <https://cafod.org.uk/Pray/Advent-Calendar> and includes daily reflections and ideas to prepare for Christmas. There are also versions that you can download for use with young people and children.

The GDPR Legislation: The Catholic Insurance Service has given instructions to the Diocese regarding the new GDPR (Data Protection Regulations) legislation which is now in force. It means, for instance, that without the written consent of those who are ill (they and they alone can give it) we are no longer able to publish their names in the parish newsletter. Whilst this seems to be a bit of a blow for us pastorally, we do pray for those who are ill and will continue to do so. Likewise, Mass Intentions for those who are living should be simply listed as a Private Intention with the surname of the donor.

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Sunday Lunch: A group of parishioners meet for lunch on the 1st Sunday of the month at the Black Bull on Hull Road. This is after 10.30am Mass & Coffee. Anyone wishing to join us please speak to Pat Hickson or Paddy Cox.

Red Boxes: There are new red boxes as mentioned by the Bishop available at the back of church. Please see Ann Middleton or Terry Garvey if you would like one. If we run out we will order more. Thank you

St Bede's 'Exploring Prayer' Course: Seven dates in Autumn or Spring. Cost £75. Participants will be expected to attend all sessions. See poster and flyer for details.

A Hunger: This is a musical play first performed at Joseph Rowntree Theatre in 2000 by children of St George's School. It starts in Ireland at the time of the potato famine. It tells of the trials and tribulations of a family fleeing the starvation and of how they came to York as St George's Church and School were becoming established. We would like to perform the play again with a cast of adults and children. If you would like to be part of this project either on the acting or production side please give your name to Norman Fowler or Rosa Di Lorenzo.

Middlesbrough Diocese LGBT: On the second Sunday of each month, at 3.00pm in the Bar Convent chapel: Masses giving explicit welcome to LGBT people, their families and friends.

Memory Stars: The stars which will be hung on our Advent tree to remember those of our loved ones who have died are now available to be written on in the Lady Chapel. Please try not to mix up the two baskets: one is for completed stars, the other is for blank stars. After writing on them, please transfer to the other basket. Thank you.

York Ecumenical and Peace Group: Monday 10 December. It is suggested that we attend the public meeting on the Day for Human Rights at the launch of the 3rd Annual Report from York City for Human Rights. This will held at 8 The Crescent, (off Blossom Street between Sainsbury's and the Everyman Cinema) starting at 7.00pm and finishing by 9.00pm. Tickets are free and may be obtained from their website, www.yorkhumanrights.org or by 'phoning 01904 325778

Parish Census Forms: With the advent of GDPR (Data Protection Regulations) we cannot keep information unnecessarily, for too long or without express permission. We have destroyed lots of old information but we do need to keep in touch with you all: sometimes the bulletin just isn't enough. Please fill in the census forms available at the back of the church - this gives us the necessary permissions to "keep you on our books" so we can find out who everybody is and where you are from. Our congregation has changed tremendously since I first moved here 9 years ago.