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**SUNDAY MASS 10.30am and 6.30pm**  
Confessions after all Masses *in the Sacristy*  
Children's Liturgy of the Word at 10.30am Mass  
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**PARISH PRIEST: FR JO MICHAEL**



**SUNDAY 1<sup>ST</sup> DECEMBER – FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVANT – YEAR C**  
**YEAR OF ST LUKE – DIVINE OFFICE WEEK 1**  
**10.30am Mass – *People of the Parish* <> 6.30pm Mass – *The Holy Souls***



Tue 3rd	St. Francis Xavier (Memorial)	9.45am Morning Prayer, 10.00 am Mass	<i>Holy Souls</i>
Wed 4th	St. John Damascene Priest D	9.45am Morning Prayer; 10.00am Mass	<i>Holy Souls</i>
Thu 5th		9.45am Morning Prayer; 10.00am Mass	<i>Stephen Paul Farrow</i>
Fri 6th	St Nicholas Priest	9.45am Morning Prayer; 10.00am Mass	<i>Holy Souls</i>
Sat 7th	St Ambrose Bishop	9.45am Morning Prayer; 10.00am Mass	<i>Holy Souls</i>

**FR JO MICHAEL'S ORDINATION ANNIVERSARY**

Fr Jo Michael will be celebrating his 22<sup>nd</sup> Ordination anniversary on Monday 9<sup>th</sup> December. He invites all the parishioners, to join him for the Thanksgiving Mass, on Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> December

**A THOUGHT FROM THICKET PRIORY – 1<sup>ST</sup> DECEMBER 2024**

“We need those hours in which we listen silently and let the Divine Word work within us.” (St Edith Stein)

<http://www.thicketpriorycarmel.org>

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**FAIR TRADE STALL:**

Thanks to everyone who supported the Fairtrade Stall last Sunday. Goods to the value of £307 were sold (£212 morning Mass and £95 evening Mass). The next stall will be held on the **15<sup>th</sup> December** – Please note this is a change of date from 8<sup>th</sup>. Frances & Dennis

**COLLECTION OF UNWANTED LAPTOPS, COMPUTERS, MOBILE PHONES, AT BOTH MASSES ON 19<sup>TH</sup> JANUARY 2025:**

Do you have unwanted laptops, mobile phones or computers that you no longer need? Have you thought about donating them to a York based charity? We are planning another collection at both **Masses on Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> January**, where you can bring unwanted laptops and smart phones to morning or evening Mass at St George's for donation to the IT Reuse Charity. See: [www.itreuse.org.uk](http://www.itreuse.org.uk) At the last collection, parishioners kindly donated 29 unwanted mobile phones and 5 laptops. These were subsequently cleaned of data, ready to be repurposed for those in need.

**PARISH EPIPHANY CELEBRATION!** 6.30pm St Lawrence's Church Hall - Friday 3rd January - Everyone Welcome! Bring and share drinks and buffet - Carols – Fun Quiz - Board Games - Kids table. Keep up to date with the bulletin and Facebook as we will be posting more details as we get organised! **We are looking for volunteers to help on the night** - please let Katy Iggulden or Maria Kato know at Mass - Fr Jose or Fr Jerry can point us out if you don't know us.

**ST BEDE'S 2024-25 PROGRAMME:** What's on at St. Bede's 2024-2025 Programme. We offer a wide range of courses and retreats – available In Centre at St Bede's or online – designed to support greater wholeness and fullness of life. : - <https://www.stbedes.org.uk/whats-on/>

**LAUDATO SI GROUP:**

With Christmas in mind, Our Laudato Si group has the following suggestions for a sustainable Advent on the theme of “doing less and spending less”

- \*Start with thinking: reduce, re-use and recycle. Is your gift really needed?
  - \*Gifts of time (babysitting, ironing, decorating for an elderly relative etc.) (Make a voucher with the details from an old Christmas card.)\*Pre-loved gifts from charity shops/ pass on unwanted gifts.
  - \*Secret Santa' with family and friends where appropriate.
  - \*Make your own' if you can do this without stress e.g. biscuits, sweets (use old tins) jams, cushions etc.
  - \*Charity gifts like CAFOD's World Gifts
  - \*Buy refurbished/recycled gifts/ things that are easily repairable.
  - \*Support Fairtrade
  - \*Avoid plastics. Choose minimum packaging
  - \*Buy less stuff. Think experiences instead e.g. vouchers for an activity at the local gym or theatre.
- Enjoy a holier and stress free Advent.

**FEAST CELEBRATION:**

The Goan Community of the parish are celebrating the feast of St. Francis Xavier, on Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> December. There will be a concelebrated mass at 10am, followed by refreshment at the back of the church. You are all cordially invited to celebrate the feast, of St. Francis Xavier, with the Goan community. Looking forward to seeing you all.

**WELCOME TO ALL:** If you are visiting York, we hope you enjoy your time here. If new to the parish or would like to be involved in parish activities please make yourself known to Fr Jo Michael or to our Welcomers on the door.