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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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Diocese of Middlesbrough Charity reg. no. 233748

PARISH PRIEST: FR JO MICHAEL



SUNDAY 8 DECEMBER –SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT – YEAR C
YEAR OF ST LUKE – DIVINE OFFICE WEEK 2
10.30am Mass – People of the Parish <> 6.30pm Mass – The Carr Family



TODAY'S MASS IS A THANKSGIVING MASS FOR FR JO MICHAEL
WHO CELEBRATES HIS TWENTY-SECOND ORDINATION ANNIVERSARY TOMORROW, MONDAY
(SOLEMNITY OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION OF OUR LADY)

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| Tue | Our Lady of Loretto | 9.45am Morning Prayer, 10.00 am Mass | <i>Holy Souls</i> |
| Wed | St Damasus I, Pope | 9.45am Morning Prayer; 10.00am Mass | <i>Hazel Wilkinson</i> |
| Thu | Our Lady of Guadalupe | 9.45am Morning Prayer; 10.00am Mass | <i>Jean Wood</i> |
| Fri | St Lucy, Virgin and Martyr | 9.45am Morning Prayer; 10.00am Mass | <i>Michael Polack</i> |
| Sat | St John of the Cross, Priest and Doctor of the Church | 9.45am Morning Prayer; 10.00am Mass | <i>Jean Newall</i> |

A THOUGHT FROM THICKET PRIORY – 8 DECEMBER 2024

“What a marvellous thing, that He who would fill a thousand worlds and many more with his grandeur would enclose Himself in something so small! And so He wanted to enclose Himself in the womb of His most Blessed Mother.” (St Teresa of Avila)

<http://www.thicketpriorycarmel.org>

Facebook@thicketpriorycarmel

Diaries £7 and Missals £20 should be here shortly – limited supply so please let Ann know if interested.

FAIR TRADE STALL NEXT SUNDAY

PARISH EPIPHANY CELEBRATION! 6.30pm St Lawrence's Church Hall - Friday 3 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 Jo Michael or Fr Jerry can point us out if you don't know us.

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.

DEMENTIA FRIENDLY CAROL SERVICE Thursday, 2.30-4.00pm, St Oswald's Church Hall, Main Street, Fulford YO10 4HU *Everyone is welcome!*

TODAY, SUNDAY (and every second Sunday of month) Mass for the LGBTQ+ community, family and friends. 3.00pm Bar Convent Chapel. Refreshments. *All Welcome.*

COLLECTION OF UNWANTED LAPTOPS, COMPUTERS,

MOBILE PHONES, AT BOTH MASSES ON 19 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 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 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.

ST BEDE'S PASTORAL CENTRE 21 Blossom Street YO24 1AQ tel 01904 464900; email admin@stbedes.org.uk; www.stbedes.org.uk

➤ **THIS WEEK AT ST BEDE'S - WEDNESDAY**

10am-noon **Christmas Coffee Morning** with mini mince pies, stollen bites and non-alcoholic mulled wine

10.00am-4.00pm **Christmas Labyrinth**

12noon-1.00pm **Advent Taize**

1.00pm-2.00pm **Bring your lunch to eat together**

2.00pm-4.00pm **Film – Polar Express**

Come for some or all of the above events

➤ **SATURDAY - 14 DECEMBER**

10.00am-12.30pm **Together in Meditation** with Paul Golightly. Two separate hours of meditation rooted in the Christian tradition at 10.00am and 11.30am. Come for one hour or both and share in this time of sacred silence. [Click here](#) for more information and to contact St Bede's office to register. **No charge.**

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.