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The Third Sunday of Advent

13th December 2020

Year B

Psalter Week 3

Entrance Antiphon

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Rejoice in the Lord always; again I say,
rejoice. Indeed, the Lord is near.

Responsorial Psalm

My soul rejoices in my God.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia! The spirit of the Lord has
been given to me. He has sent me to
bring the good news to the poor. Alleluia!

Communion Antiphon

Say to the faint of heart: Be strong and do
not fear. Behold, our God will come, and
he will save us.

Pope Declares 'Year of St. Joseph'

On Tuesday, the solemnity of the Immaculate Conception, Pope Francis issued his Apostolic Letter, *Patris Corde* (With a Father's Heart), recalling the 150th anniversary of the declaration of St. Joseph as Patron of the Universal Church. To mark the anniversary, the Holy Father has proclaimed a 'Year of St. Joseph'.

In his Apostolic Letter, Pope Francis describes Saint Joseph as a beloved father, a tender and loving father, an obedient father, an accepting father; a father who is creatively courageous, a working father, a father in the shadows.

A shrine dedicated to St. Joseph has been erected at the back of the Cathedral. During the Year of St. Joseph, we will have the opportunity to follow St. Joseph along his spiritual path. More information will be available in the new year.

Information about the Year of St. Joseph can be found on the Cathedral website – www.CardiffCathedral.org.uk/stjoseph. There is also a section of videos, prayers and devotions.



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* denotes the Mass is open to the public.

± denotes service is live-streamed only, and not open to the public.

Zoom Login Details - Meeting ID: 868 571 1627 Password: cathedral

Saturday Vigil	5:00pm 6:00pm *	Sacrament of Reconciliation, <i>until 5:40pm</i> Mass: Holy Souls
Sunday Third Sunday of Advent	10:00am * 12:00pm 4:00pm ± 6:00pm *	Mass: Holy Souls Zoom Coffee Break Diaconal Ordination Mass: Mr. Christian Mahoney Mass: the Cathedral Community
Monday St. John of the Cross	10:00am *	Mass: Rev. Mr. Christian Mahoney (in Thanksgiving)
Tuesday	10:00am * 10:30am	Mass: Holy Souls Open for Private Prayer <i>until 3:00pm</i> NO Confessions today
Wednesday		
Thursday O' Sapientia	7:15am ± 11:00am 12:00pm 12:45pm 5:00pm ± 6:00pm ±	Advent Recollection with the Lord, <i>Morning Prayer at 8:00am</i> Open for Private Prayer <i>until 3:00pm</i> Sacrament of Reconciliation, <i>until 12:30pm</i> Lectio Divina via Zoom Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament <i>Concluding with Evening Prayer & Benediction at 5:30pm</i> Mass: Jack & Rene McCarthy, <i>RIP</i>
Friday O' Adonai	7:15am ± 10:00am * 5:00pm ± 6:00pm ±	Advent Recollection with the Lord, <i>Morning Prayer at 8:00am</i> Mass: Private Intention Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament <i>Concluding with Evening Prayer & Benediction at 5:30pm</i> Offeren (Yn Gymraeg): Holy Souls
Saturday O' Radix	9:00am 10:00am * 11:00am	The Angelus (Facebook Live only) Mass: Sanctity of Life <i>Followed by Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, until 12:00pm</i> Sacrament of Reconciliation, <i>until 12:00pm</i>
Saturday Vigil	5:00pm 6:00pm *	Sacrament of Reconciliation, <i>until 5:40pm</i> Mass: Angelo Tabone, <i>RIP</i>
Sunday Fourth Sunday of Advent (O' Clavis)	10:00am * 12:00pm 3:00pm 6:00pm *	Mass: the Cathedral Community Zoom Coffee Break Cathedral Carol Service Mass: Theresa & Michael Collins, <i>RIP</i>

INFORMATION

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Most Rev. George
Stack

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Prayer and Worship

Instructions for Attending the Celebration of Mass – It is wonderful to be able to welcome you all back to the Cathedral. The **stewards** are available at the back of the Cathedral to help and guide you. I am very grateful to the stewards for their dedication and commitment. The **Track and Trace** system which is in place is there to safeguard visitors to the Cathedral for the celebration of Mass. **Masks** must be worn inside the Cathedral at all times, both for private prayer and also for Mass. If you have an exemption from the doctor, please show your information card to the stewards. Instructions for attending Mass are available on the Cathedral website. Visit: www.cardiffcathedral.org.uk/coronavirus for details.

Offeren yn Gymraeg – The next celebration of Mass in Welsh via live-streaming will take place this **Friday, 18th December 2020**, beginning at **6:00pm**.

Advent Recollection with the Lord

There will be no quiet time of recollection Monday or Tuesday this week. It has been lovely to hear the feedback of the Cathedral community who are uniting in prayer each Advent morning. I would like to encourage you to privately make this time of recollection at the beginning of this week. It will resume as usual on Thursday with the Angelus at 7:15am.

Sacrament of Reconciliation

During Advent, there will be the opportunity to experience the mercy of the Lord in the Sacrament of Reconciliation throughout the week. The times of Confession are available in the schedule.

Saturday, 19th December 2020 - Sacrament of Reconciliation will be available throughout the day. Confessions begin after the morning Mass, as usual, and will run continuous until 5:00pm. More information to follow.

The annual **Service of Lessons and Carols** will take place next **Sunday, 20th December 2020**, beginning at **3:00pm**. The Service of Lessons and Carols will be followed by tea, coffee and minced pies at the Cornerstone, served to socially distant tables. The price of the ticket is £10.00. Max of four per table. Due to limited numbers at both the Cathedral and the Cornerstone, this will be a ticket-only event. To purchase a ticket, please contact the Cornerstone directly on (029) 20 494 425.

Lectio Divina – This Thursday will be the last *Lectio Divina* until after Christmas.

Christmas at the Cathedral

Thank you for your continued patience and understanding with booking in for Masses over the Christmas period. There are spaces available at all the Masses, although the 9:00pm Christmas Eve Mass is filling up quickly. As I have no administrative assistance, and to avoid errors being made with booking in Masses, could I ask you to **telephone your request only**, and leave a message on the answerphone along with a contact number. I will get back to you to confirm your booking. Mass times for Christmas are:

Christmas Eve

24th December

4:00pm – Holy Mass

6:00pm – Holy Mass (Family Mass)

9:00pm – Christmas Night Mass

Christmas Day

25th December

9:00am – Dawn Mass

11:00am – Solemn Mass of Christmas

No Evening Mass

Christmas Raffle Tickets

This is the last week to buy some raffle tickets. The draw will take place after the Carol Service next week. Tickets are available at £1 per book.

Congratulations!

Congratulations and the assurances of our prayers go to Christian Mahoney and his family. Christian was ordained to the Diaconate Sunday afternoon (13th December) by Archbishop George. Please keep him in your prayers as he begins a new phase of service in his life for the Archdiocese.

A Message from Fr. Daniel

At the very start of the first lockdown period I moved the Mass times in order to facilitate other activities which were being live-streamed. In particular, the change of the weekend Mass schedule was made so that it opened up the opportunity for extra Masses to be added to the schedule, should the demand require it. I am very conscious of the need to restore the Cathedral schedule to the its 'normal' times at some point. My intention is to change the times of the Masses back after Christmas. This will include restoring both the weekday and the weekend Mass schedule. I am planning for these changes to take effect from **Saturday, 2nd January 2021**, with the vigil Mass returning to **5:30pm**.

For the time being, things are in **no way returning to the 'normal' of pre-lockdown**. There will still be stewards required to keep the Cathedral open and functioning; the Cathedral will still be open for private prayer on Tuesdays and Thursdays, as is currently the case; the Sacrament of Reconciliation will continue to be celebrated in the Mostyn Room.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank you for your patience during this last year. I am very grateful for the continued dedication and support of the small team of stewards and cleaners, without whom the Cathedral will not be able to open. Over the past few months they have had a lot to deal with, including rude and challenging behaviour of a small number of visitors. I am truly grateful.

With rumours of another lockdown after Christmas, I am waiting to see what impact this will have for places of worship. I will keep you up-to-date with any changes.

God bless, Fr. Daniel