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10th December 2023 Second Sunday of Advent – Year B

Sunday 10th December <i>2nd Sunday of Advent</i> Diocesan Prayer Link <i>St Augustine of Canterbury, Matson</i> <i>English Martyrs, Tuffley</i>	6.00pm (Sat) Mass	Karen Matthew <i>RIP</i>
	9.00am Mass	Teresa Zahara <i>Anniv</i>
	10.30am Maas	Margaret Withers <i>RIP</i>
	12.30pm Polish Mass	
	5.30pm Mass	People of the Parish
Monday 11th December <i>Weekday of Advent</i>	9.10am Morning Prayer	
	9.30am Mass	Ints of Ruth Dowling
Tuesday 12th December <i>Weekday of Advent</i>	6.00pm Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament	
	7.00pm Mass	John Lynch <i>RIP</i>
Wednesday 13th December <i>St Lucy</i>	11.00am Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament	
	11.45am Mass	Jimmy Donnell <i>RIP</i>
	1.00pm Funeral Service for Alice O'Connor	
Thursday 14th December <i>St John of the Cross</i>	9.10am Morning Prayer	
	9.30am Mass	Ints of Grace Valdez
Friday 15th December <i>Weekday of Advent</i>	9.10am Morning Prayer	
	9.30am Mass	Street People of Gloucester
	12noon Funeral Service for Thomas Lawrence	
	7.00pm Polish Mass	
Saturday 16th December <i>Weekday of Advent</i>	6.00am Filipino Simbang Gabi Mass	
	10.00am Mass	Prince Allwyn <i>RIP</i>
	10.45am – 11.30am Confessions	
	5.00pm – 5.30pm Confessions	
	6.00pm Mass	Mick Wall <i>RIP</i>
	7.30pm Polish Mass	
Sunday 17th December <i>3rd Sunday of Advent (Year B)</i>	9.00am Mass	People of the Parish
	10.30am Maas	Thanksgiving – Grace Valdez & Family
	12.30pm Polish Mass	
	5.30pm Mass	Ins of Deacon Colm & Liz Robinson

This Week: Advent Week 2. Daily Prayer of the Church: Advent 2 and Week 2

Church Cleaning: After the morning mass on Monday, thank you to those who help each week.

Last Weekend: Attendance – 820 Offertory - £1901.03 (including £408.00 online/contactless) Donations - £270.53 (including £71.00 online/contactless £164.00 in memory of Pat O'Ryan £30.00 Tamil Community)

Advent 2023: On today, Sunday December 10th and next Sunday, December 17th there will be Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, Evening Prayer, an Advent reflection, and a time for quiet prayer in St Peter's Church beginning at 4.00pm. All welcome. In addition to the normal weekend times for confession, the following times are also offered. Tuesday December 12th 5.15pm – 6.00pm. Sunday December 17th 3.00pm – 3.45pm. Tuesday December 19th 5.00pm – 6.00pm. Thursday December 21st 10.00am – 10.45am. Saturday December 23rd 10.30am – 12noon, 4.30pm – 5.30pm. In addition, there is a Penitential Service in Our Lady's Churchdown at 7.00pm on Thursday December 21st. Please note that there are no confessions on Christmas Eve.

Christmas 2023 Mass Times:

Christmas Eve (December 24th): 4.00pm, 6.00pm, 10.30pm.

Christmas Day (December 25th): 9.00am and 10.45am.

Polish Mass: Christmas Eve 8.00pm. Christmas Day 12.30pm

It is essential we have a sufficient number of welcomers, stewards and readers at all Christmas Masses. If you can at all help, please let Fr Liam or Fr Stephen know.

Parish Hall: The opening has been delayed due to the failure of the heating pump. This will be repaired as soon as possible.

St Peter's RC High School Choir: Carols by Candlelight at the Church of the Immaculate Conception, Stroud on Friday 15th December at 7.00pm. For tickets please email: boxoffice@sphs.uk.com Adults: £3 Concessions: £1

Filipino Simbang Gabi Mass: On Saturday 16th December at 6.00am in St Peter's Church. All welcome!

Advent Retread Day: See noticeboard for details of St Joseph Prayer Group @ Prinknash Advent Retreat Day 'All About Mary' at Prinknash Café Meeting Room, GL4 8EX on Saturday 16th December 11.00am – 3.30pm.

Repository: There is a large selection of Christmas cards, crib scenes, calendars and diaries available now.

Journey in Faith (RCIA): Next meeting is on Thursday 7th December 6.30pm for a 6.45pm start.

Baptisms: We welcome into the family of the church India Maloney baptised last weekend.

RIP: Please remember in your prayers those who have died recently:

Alice O'Connor. Coffin reception on Tuesday December 12th at 4.00pm. Funeral service on Wednesday December 13th at 1.00pm followed by burial in Coney Hill Cemetery. Daily mass on December 13th will be at 11.45am.

Thomas Lawrence. Funeral service Friday 15th December at 12noon followed by burial at Coney Hill Cemetery.

May Markey. Coffin reception on Thursday December 21st at 7.00pm. Funeral Mass on Friday December 22nd at 10.00am followed by burial in Coney Hill Cemetery.

SVP December Meetings: Monday 11th and Tuesday 19th December at 7.30pm in the sacristy.

CAFOD: Christmas World Gift Catalogues available at the back of the church.

Catholic Herald: Christmas edition now available at the back of the church priced £5.

Red Mission Boxes/Missio: Box holders, promoters and parishioners, thank you all so much for your generosity in helping the missions especially in these difficult times. Please collect your 2024 calendars from the back of church. Please feel free to empty your own box if you can and put the money into one of the brown envelopes provided. Otherwise, please bring it to church to be emptied. If you would like to write a cheque, please make it payable to "APF". Any queries please contact me on 07452773330 or email lucyglos@msn.com.

S.V.P. Prayer Giving Tree: Thank you to all who supported the SVP Giving Tree. From now until Christmas, the Tree becomes a prayer tree. We invite you to write on one of the labels provided at the back of the church, your prayer for yourself, your family and friends, the world of our times, and place in on the tree. Do not add your name. The tree will make up part of the crib scene in church for Christmas and will be a focus of our prayer for each other during the Holy Season.

Pied Piper: The Chairman, Officers and Trustees of the Pied Piper, Children's Charity, would like to thank Monsignor Liam and the Parishioners of St Peters for the use of their beautiful church for this year's Celebration of Christmas evening. They are sure that all those who attended enjoyed a wonderful evening of music, fun and spirituality. They would particularly wish to thank Monsignor Liam for his message of 'love' in his address which we will all take with us during this Christmas season. All at Pied Piper send their sincere thanks to all at St Peters and would like to wish them a Happy Joyous Christmas and Peaceful New Year.

We remember those who have asked for our prayers: Andrea Brushneen, Sue Hartnett, Cheryl Loy, Natalia Price, Sharon Scott, Christopher Browne, Kathy Smith, Joan O'Connell, Sandra Flanagan, Dan Roche, Oliver Cuffe, Michael Casey, Terri Tyreman, David Murphy, Rosemary de Castro Lima, Richard Johnson, Kitty Daly. In compliance with the requirements of GDPR permission must be sought from an individual (or next of kin) before their name can be added to a list of those who are sick. Do please advise of any changes to be made to this list.