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29th November 2026
First Sunday of Advent – Year B

Sunday 29th November *First Sunday of Advent (Year B)* **Diocesan Prayer Link** *Our Lady of the Rosary, Lawrence Weston* *St Bernard, Shirehampton*	**6.00pm (Sat)**	**Mass**	Bernadette McGonnell *RIP* & Margaret Hayes *RIP*
	9.00am	**Mass**	Holy Souls
	10.30am	**Mass**	Sylvia & Wilfred Curnock *RIP*
	12.30pm	*Polish Mass*	
	5.30pm	**Mass**	People of the Parish
Monday 30th November *Feast of Saint Andrew*	*9.10am*	*Morning Prayer*	
	9.30am	**Mass**	Holy Souls
Tuesday 1st December *Memorial of Saint Alexander Briant*	*6.00pm*	*Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament*	
	7.00pm	**Mass**	May Markey *Anniversary*
Wednesday 2nd December *Weekday of Advent*	*11.00am*	*Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament*	
	12.00 noon	**Mass**	Pete Wall *RIP*
Thursday 3rd December *Memorial of Saint Francis Xavier*	*9.10am*	*Morning Prayer*	
	9.30am	**Mass**	Ints of Lisa Knight
Friday 4th December *Memorial of Saint Osmund*	*9.10am*	*Morning Prayer*	
	9.30am	**Mass**	Michele Cooper *RIP*
	7.00pm	*Polish Mass*	
Saturday 5th December *Weekday of Advent*	*9.30am*	*Rosary*	
	10.00am	**Mass**	Cherie Reffell *RIP*
	10.45am – 11.30am	*Confessions*	
	3.00pm	*Filipino Monthly Mass*	
	5.00pm – 5.30pm	*Confessions*	
	6.00pm	**Mass**	Mary Reddington *RIP*
	7.30pm	*Polish Mass*	
Sunday 6th December *Second Sunday of Advent (Year B)*	**9.00am**	**Mass**	Timothy Aseme Nnang *Anniv*
	10.30am	**Mass**	Teresa Zahara *10th Anniv*
	12.30pm	*Polish Mass*	
	5.30pm	**Mass**	Ints of Henry Elliott

Last Weekend: *Offertory* - £1410.05 *(inc £501.00 contactless/online)*
Donations - £545.00 *(inc £438.00 contactless/online)*
Mass Attendance – 804

Church Cleaning: after morning Mass on Monday 30th November. Thank you to all those who help each week.

Next Sunday: There will be a retiring collection for Poor Missions of the Diocese

This Sunday: is the First Sunday of Advent. This is the beginning of the Church's year. Sunday readings will be from Year B and weekday readings will be from Year 1. Daily Prayer of the Church Advent 1 Psalter Week 1.

Christmas Mass Times: Our Christmas Masses will begin on Thursday 24th December with Masses at 4:30pm and 6:30pm, and continue with Mass at Midnight (with carols from 11:30pm). On Christmas morning there will be Masses at 9:00am and 10:30am.

First Holy Communion 2027: Application forms are available at the back of the church and on the parish website. Completed forms should be received in the parish office by Monday 4th January 2027. The first parents session will be on Monday 18th January (5:00pm – 6:00pm) and the first children's session on Friday 29th January (5:00pm - 6:30pm). Both meetings will be at Saint Peter's Primary School on Horton Road. The rest of the programme will be available shortly. The First Holy Communion Masses will be on Saturday 22nd May.

Confirmation 2027: Bishop Bosco will be with us for the celebration of the Sacrament of Confirmation on Wednesday 26th May at 7:00pm. Application forms and details of the preparation sessions for young people (year 9 and above) will be available in the next few weeks. The first session will be on Sunday 10th January (6:45pm-8:00pm) in the parish hall.

Congratulations: to Sophie Beard & Shaun Meheran who were married here last Saturday and to Amy Marie Curtis & Bradley Bryant who were married here on Wednesday.

Baptisms: We welcome into the family of the church Joseph & Edward Lang, baptised last Sunday,

Lectio Divina: continues each Friday after the morning Mass. See poster to use QR code to join the group.

Bambinelli: On the Third Sunday of Advent (13th December 2026), many people bring their Baby Jesus figures (Bambinelli) to St Peter's Square to be blessed by the Pope. In our parish, you are invited to being the Baby Jesus from the crib in your home to be blessed by the priest at the 9:00 Mass on Sunday 13th December, and to take this Christmas blessing back to your home and family.

SVP: Meet on Monday 30th November at 6.30pm in the presbytery.

S.V.P. Giving Tree: The tree is in the Lady Chapel, there are still some selection boxes & cash labels. All gifts, selection boxes & cash donations need to be returned to the parish office by **Sunday 13th December** please. The cash should be handed into the parish office in an enveloped marked SVP Hampers. If you are reading this and feeling anxious about how you are going to provide for your family this Christmas, please speak to Father Gary, in the strictest confidence, the S.V.P. may be able to provide some additional help.

Divine Mercy Holy Hour: at 3.00pm on Thursday 3rd December, all are welcome.

St Elisabeth Convent, Belarus: The Sisters will visit us with a small stall of icons and crafts on Monday 7th December after morning Mass.

Samaritans Christmas Carol Concert: Monday 7th December at 7.30pm in the church. Music performed by the Salvation Army Songsters & Student Nurses. There will be refreshments & mince pies after the concert, all are welcome.

St. Peter's Primary School Christmas Fayre: on Saturday 5th December at 11:00am-1:30pm. See noticeboard for more details.

Advent Reflection on Wednesday 2nd December at 7:00pm in our church. Come and be part of this time of simple reflection and prayer as we ponder the season of Advent.

Advent Publications: My Day by Day £1.00, My Day by Day *Infant & Junior* Free, Walk with Me £1.50.

Baptism Preparation Session: There will be a Baptism Preparation Session in the parish hall on Sunday 17th January 2027 (2:15pm – 4:00pm). Catholic parents seeking baptism for their children (up to six years of age) are invited to attend. Application forms will be available during the session, as well as reserving dates. These sessions will take place approximately every couple of months.

Journey in Faith (OCIA/RCIA): Our parish Journey in Faith group continues this Thursday 3rd December at 6:45pm in the sacristy.

Used Postage Stamps: A reminder to ask people to save their Christmas stamps for Canine Partners charity, in 10 years stamps have raised £26,000. Thank you

We remember those who have asked for our prayers: Betty Meadows, Andrea Brushneen, Christy & Sue Hartnett, Cheryl Loy, Natalia Price, Sharon Scott, Christopher Browne, Kathy Smith, Sandra Flanagan, Michael Casey, Terri and Sean Tyreman, Rosemary de Castro Lima, Richard Johnson, Armani Parker, Julie Brooks, Poonam Britto, David McClurg, Sr Veronica Robson, Josie Hedderman, Julio Antonelli, Julie Robertson, Kathleen Ciereszko, Leonora Garcia, Edgardo Gayya. 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.