

# SS LAWRENCE AND PAUL

## CATHOLIC CHURCH NEWSLETTER



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### SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT

8th - 9th December 2018 Year C Psalter 2 and Proper of Season  
DPL: Our Lady of the Rosary, Lawrence Weston; St Bernard, Shirehampton




<b>SAT 8th</b>	<b>CS</b>	<b>5.00pm</b>	<b>SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT (YEAR C)</b>	<i>Stephen Cummins RIP</i>
<b>SUN 9th</b>		<b>11.00am</b>	<b>SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT (YEAR C)</b>	<i>People of the Parish</i>
Tues 11th	CS	9.30am	Mass	<i>Baby Roselena Intention OLOL</i>
Wed 12th		9.30am	Mass	<i>Eileen Prendergast RIP</i>
Thur 13th		9.30am	Liturgy of the Word and HC (Convent)	<i>Special Family Intention OLOL</i>
Fri 14th	CS	9.30am	Mass	<i>Leslie Roberts RIP</i>
<b>SAT 15th</b>	<b>CS</b>	<b>5.00pm</b>	<b>GAUDETE SUNDAY</b>	<i>Freddie Burgess RIP</i>
<b>SUN 16th</b>		<b>11.00am</b>	<b>GAUDETE SUNDAY</b>	<i>Peter De Payva (Fmass)</i>
Tues 18th	CS	9.30am	Mass	<b>SERVICE OF RECONCILIATION at 7.30pm at St Paul's</b>
Wed 19th		9.30am	Mass	
Thur 20th		9.30am	Liturgy of the Word and HC (Convent)	
Fri 21st	CS	9.30am	Mass	<i>Lorcan O'Rourke (Fmass)</i>
<b>SAT 22nd</b>	<b>CS</b>	<b>5.00pm</b>	<b>FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT</b>	<i>Elizabeth Watkins (Fmass)</i>
<b>SUN 23rd</b>		<b>11.00am</b>	<b>FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT</b>	
<b>MON 24th</b>	<b>St P</b>	<b>6.00pm</b>	<b>VIGIL MASS OF CHRISTMAS</b>	
<b>MON 24th</b>	<b>St P</b>	<b>12mid</b>	<b>MIDNIGHT MASS (Carols from 11.30pm)</b>	<i>People of the Parish</i>
<b>TUES 25th</b>	<b>CS</b>	<b>9.00am</b>	<b>CHRISTMAS DAY (At St Lawrence)</b>	
<b>TUES 25th</b>	<b>St P</b>	<b>11.00am</b>	<b>CHRISTMAS DAY (At St Paul's)</b>	
Wed 26th	CS	9.30am	Mass	
Thur 27th		9.30am	Liturgy of the Word and HC (Convent)	
Fri 28th		9.30am	TBC	
<b>SAT 29th</b>	<b>CS</b>	<b>5.00pm</b>	<b>The Holy Family of Jesus Mary and Joseph</b>	<i>Michael &amp; Mary Magner</i>
<b>SUN 30th</b>	<b>St P</b>	<b>11.00am</b>	<b>The Holy Family of Jesus Mary and Joseph</b>	

**Confession at St Lawrence Saturday 10.00am- 10.30am, after 11.00am Mass at St Paul's or by appointment.**

To contact a Priest: Fr Jim Williams (01454) 312161 or Fr Frank Bermingham 0117 9833939.

Parish Office Our Lady of Lourdes 0117 9498743. To send items for the Newsletter e-mail Bill Jennings - 633wejennings@gmail.com

### MASS TIMES THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISHES IN COMMUNION FOR MISSION

St. Augustine				St. John Fisher		Our Lady of Lourdes			
Sat	8th	Mass	6.00pm	Wed 12th No Mass		Sun	9th	Mass	9.00am/6.00pm
Sun	9th	Mass	9.30am		Mon	10th	Mass	9.30am	
Mon	10th	Mass	8.00am		Tue	11th	Mass	9.30am	
Tue	11th	Word & HC	7.30pm		Wed	12th Recon & Anointing	7.30pm		
Wed	12th	Word & HC	9.30am		Thur	13th	Mass	9.30am	
Thur	13th	Word & HC	9.30am		Fri	14th	No Mass	9.30am	
Fri	14th	Devotions	7.00pm		Sat	15th	Mass	9.30am	
Fri	14th	Mass	7.30pm		Sun	16th	Mass	9.00am/6.00pm	
Sat	15th	Mass	6.00pm						
Sun	16th	Mass	9.30am						
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### ADVENT REFLECTIONS

The Gospel begins: 'Tiberius was Emperor, Pontius Pilate was Governor, Caiaphas was High Priest.' God did not speak to any of these important people. The word of God came to John in the wilderness. God spoke to someone on the edge, in the desert. God wants to speak his word to every person but if we are to hear the word of God we need to clear a way so that we can hear. John the Baptist proclaims: 'Prepare a way for the Lord – make his paths straight.' Most of us are not called to go into the wilderness but each of us can make time for silence to listen to God's word. Advent is a time to realise that God is constantly speaking his word to us. We are called to make the time to listen.



**44 BONUS BALL:** Special Game 815 w/n 15 C. Lawler £25 to the winner and £25 to the Building Fund. Going on Holiday? Pay in advance see P.O'Rourke or K. Chapman.

# What's on?

Evening of Music & Merriment  
Advent Reconciliation & Anointing  
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Friday 14th December  
Wed, 12th Dec  
Tue, 18th Dec  
Wed, 19th Dec

7.30pm St Paul's  
7.30pm Our Lady or Lourdes, Kingswood  
7.30pm St Paul's  
7.30pm St Augustine's, Downend



## Christmas Eve Vigil Mass

We are asking for children to join us in the tableau at this Mass. We need Mary, Joseph, Angel Gabriel, Innkeeper, Narrators for speaking parts, as well as a donkey, sheep and of course shepherds and angels. **If you are coming to this Mass and your children would like to join the celebration please see Judith or Victoria after 11.00 Mass. If you are not coming to 11.00 Mass I can be contacted on 07717 082873.** We will have a practice on Saturday 22nd December in St Paul's church at 11.45.



## Music & Merriment - An evening of Christmas music, mince pies and mulled wine

Festive favourites from opera, musical theatre and jazz.

Friday 14th December, 7:30pm, at St Paul's

**Tickets: £8 - £6 Concession - Children Free**  
(Available on the door)

A percentage of the profits will go to Music in Hospitals and Care  
Marienella Phillips (Mezzo Soprano)  
Bradley Parker (Piano)

With guest soloist James Fraser (Piano)

For more information please e-mail:

[marienellaph@gmail.com](mailto:marienellaph@gmail.com) or phone 07398 585731



## SVP CHRISTMAS PARCEL COLLECTION



**From the 1st December to the 16th December inclusive**, the SVP will be making their annual appeal for items for the Christmas parcels that they distribute to people in the parish and school community who would benefit from a parcel. The following items would be appreciated. Tinned goods, biscuits, sweets, squash, cereals, rice, pasta, pasta sauces, Christmas puddings and cakes. Small gifts for men and women such as boxes of chocolates or biscuits. Items of food that would make up a meal for needy families would also be appreciated. A Parishioner donates mince pies so these are not required. **No toiletries please.** Supermarket vouchers would also be appreciated. Please leave the donations either in St Lawrence Church or St Paul's Church. The parcels will be made up on the 20th December and distributed on the 21st December. Thank you for your kind support. **If you know of anyone who would benefit from a parcel please contact a member of the SVP or the Parish Office.**

### CHRISTMAS CHURCH CLEANING

St. Paul's Church needs a cleaning before the feast of Christmas. The plan is: Monday, 10th. December, 2018, 9.30. Start. Please bring gloves if you need to use them. Refreshments will be served. Volunteers please - the more the better. See me after Mass Sunday. Thank you. Sr. Greta

### Coffee after 11.00 Mass

It would be very helpful to have a good number of volunteers so we can have refreshments every week. Please see Judith after Mass if you can help. Thank you.

### UNDERSTANDING AND PRAYING THE LITURGY

A new course run by the Clifton Diocese. All on Wednesday evenings throughout the *Year of Prayer* at Clifton Cathedral.

**Please see notice board for details.**

### CHRISTMAS CARDS

If Cards are left on the table at the back of the Church, please write the FULL name on each envelope. Each year many cards are not collected as there are so many with just "Mary" or "Pat" on them. We have many Marys and Pats in our Parish. **Thank you Sr. Greta.**

### STAMPS

I am still collecting used stamps for Charity, which can be left in collection boxes at the back of each Church. Please leave about an inch of envelope around each stamp. Many thanks. Sr. Greta.

## COUNTERS -REQUIRED URGENTLY

Volunteers needed to create a team of counters. We have one volunteer, two more needed. This will maintain the requirement to count once every six weeks. Please contact Terry Organ (email address: [GA.chippingsodbury.stlawrence@cliftondiocese.com](mailto:GA.chippingsodbury.stlawrence@cliftondiocese.com)), or one of the team members whose contact details are on the rotas at the back of each church.

### School Admission Appeal Panel Members.

The Department for Schools and Colleges are looking to recruit new panel members for School Admission Appeals. Appeals generally take place during May, June and July. However, there are popular schools across the diocese who also have a few in-year appeals during the academic year. As a panel member you will receive regular training and can claim for travel expenses. During the bulk appeals (May-July) or where there are several appeals to be heard in one day, lunch and refreshments are also provided. Panels are made up of three members, with one member also chairing the hearings. If you would like to find out more about how appeals are conducted and what is involved, contact Jenny Fitzgerald on 0117 9025599 or email [jenny.fitzgerald@cliftondiocese.com](mailto:jenny.fitzgerald@cliftondiocese.com)

### Collections

**1st/2nd December**  
Offertory Collection – £320.72  
Poor Missions of the Diocese - £155.97

**Safeguarding our Vulnerable Adults and Children:** All church activities are subject to safeguarding policies and procedures. We encourage everyone to access these policies which can be found in the Diocesan Resource along with important contact numbers on the safeguarding pages. **Parish website:** <http://www.stlawrenceandstpaul.co.uk/cliftondiocese.html>



Society of Saint Vincent de Paul  
**TURNING CONCERN INTO ACTION**

Meets regularly at St Paul's. To join please phone 01454 312161  
Email [csandyatesvp@gmail.com](mailto:csandyatesvp@gmail.com)

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[www.cliftondiocese.com](http://www.cliftondiocese.com)  
[www.vatican.va](http://www.vatican.va)

**If you are interested in learning about the ethos, aims, and works of the Legion of Mary**  
**Tel: 01454 321749**