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St Vincent's Parish

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THE SACRED SEASON OF ADVENT

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Please remember our sick in your prayers: : Mary Windle, Nora Ryan, Christopher Browne, Margaret Chow, Christine Baker, Joseph Allen, Margaret Massey, Tina Frost, Dave McGuinness Sean Keane, Valerie Ashforth, Frank McCready, Clifford Browne, Terry Finn, Violet Strain, Christopher Joyce, Michael Joyce, Mary Tang, Pat O'Connor, Michael Finn, Rebecca, Charlie Richards, Michaela, Jim Foley, Jo Sullivan, Alison Richards and family, Fr Kieran O'Connell, Alison Howell, Gwen Holmes, Terry Sleaney, Frank Cassidy, Tony Womack, Dennis Gerrard, Jean Fitzpatrick, John Zachary, Tony Murphy and Johnathan Elbel, Margaret Shore, Kieran Kirwan, Fr. Tony Attree, Pam Harris. **Lord give them healing and peace.**

Anniversaries: "Mary Farrell (17/12/89), Mary Greatorex (17/12/93), Imelda Feely (17/12/98), Edward Finnigan (19/12/48), James Joseph Reilly (20/12/85), George Trevor Adams (20/12/90), Alex Hodgkinson (21/12/93), Alex Havenhand (21/12/93), Dennis Walsh (21/12/16), Lily Saccomando (21/12/07), Alice Hobson (23/12/89), Edward Gaughan (23/12/97), Edward Finnigan (23/12/48)

Lately dead: Rosemary Henriette Hinchliffe. **May they rest in peace.**

Parish collection last weekend 10th December was £647.93 plus S/O £191.00 totalling £816.73. Thank you.

Baptism: of Logan Browne will be at 12.00 noon this Sunday 17th December. We welcome Logan into the church.

The parish website: contains new articles of interest. Please view all at www.stvincentschurch.com

Advent Confessions: Extended confession times at the Cathedral are available from 18th to 23rd December. See details on the poster in the Narthex.

Christmas Masses are 6pm and 9pm **Christmas Eve** and 10am only on **Christmas Day**. The 6pm Mass on Christmas Eve is not that of 4th Sunday of Advent but First Mass of Christmas.

Funerals: We've had a spate of funerals recently – 4 in the space of a week. I may have to leave some of the sick Holy Communion round until after Christmas.

New Year's Eve Vigil at **St. Marie's Cathedral**, followed by Mass at Midnight (Sun 31st Dec/Mon 1st Jan): on New Year's Eve after the 6.30pm Sunday Mass. There is vigil prayer in the Cathedral, followed by Mass at midnight to usher in the New Year).

Catholic Schools: Support from the parish is needed to lobby the government to drop their policy banning new Catholic schools. Check the following website: www.catholicnews.org.uk or search for "Catholic Education" on the internet to make your voice heard.

UCM: Christmas Stockings are on sale at all Masses. All proceeds go to Bluebell Wood Children's Hospice.

White Flower SPUC Appeal: the Society for the Protection of Unborn Children will be holding its annual appeal on Saturday 13th and Sunday 14th January. Please be generous in support of this worthy cause. Leaflets and stickers are available in the Narthex.

Calling all Angels and Shepherds (aged 3-7).

Please come along to practice after 10am mass 17th December for Christmas Mass on Christmas Eve at 6pm. Sign-up sheet in the narthex for age group 8+ for readers.

Advent Liturgy: All Saints School, Granville Road this Wednesday 20th December at 7.00pm. Refreshments to follow and proceeds to SVP Furniture Store.

Notre Dame School Christmas Concert: at St. Vincent's hall, this Tuesday 19th December: 7.00 - 9.00 pm.

Congratulations to Colin Browne and Cathryn Rodwell whose marriage was solemnised at St Vincent's today (Sat).

PARISH PRAYER - God our Father, pour forth your Spirit upon our parish. Grant us a new vision of your glory, a new experience of your power, a new faithfulness to your word and a new consecration to your service. So that your love may grow among us and your kingdom come. We ask this through Christ our Lord, Amen.

THIS WEEKEND (17th December to 24th December)

SAT	10.00 am 6.00 pm	Confessions (till 10.30am) Vigil Mass of the Sunday <i>Elmer & Leach families (R.I.P.)</i>
SUN	10.00 am 6.00 pm	Third Sunday of Advent (B) <i>Mary Rigby (Recently Deceased)</i> <i>People of the Parish</i>
Mon	9.30 am	Advent Weekday <i>Elmer & Leach families (deceased)</i>
Tues	9.30 am	Advent Weekday <i>A private intention</i>
Wed	10.15 am	Funeral Mass (St. Michael's Rivelin) <i>Rosemary Henriette Hinchliffe R.I.P.</i>
Thurs	9.30 am	Advent Weekday <i>Dennis Walsh (anniv)</i>
Fri	9.30 am	Advent Weekday <i>Tess Dolan (recently deceased)</i>

NEXT WEEKEND (24th December to 31st December)

SAT	10.00 am 6.00 pm	Confessions (till 10.30am) Vigil Mass of the Sunday. <i>Tony Canello (recently deceased)</i>
SUN	10.00 am 6.00 pm 9.00 pm	Fourth Sunday of Advent (B) <i>Yvonne Reaney (recently deceased)</i> Christmas Eve <i>People of the Parish</i> <i>Lily Saccomando (anniv)</i>
MON	10.00 am	Christmas Day <i>Mary Greatorex (anniv)</i>

I'm also saying the 8.30 Mass at Cathedral on Christmas Day

Christmas Crib exhibition following 10.00 Mass this Sunday 17th December in aid of the Hallam Bethlehem Fund.

Used postage stamps can be donated to charity. Please use the dedicated box in the narthex.

Carol Singing for the residents of Alexander Court, Lydgate Lane. Sunday 17th December 2.45pm. Everyone welcome.

Sorry about the less than warm church – not sure what the problem is – man coming on Monday.

*"God provides the wind,
Man must raise the sail."*

Saint Augustine of Hippo (354-430)