



HOLY FAMILY PARISH, LANGLEY
SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT (YEAR OF MARK)
9th/10th DECEMBER 2023

MASSES AND SERVICES THIS WEEK: Saturday **Mass** at 5pm (+Declan O'Reilly Thanksgiving with Mendonca family, Intentions of Teresa Das and Elfie Butchers) Sunday **Masses** at 9.30am (+Peter Fernandes +Peter Veazey +Eithne Leahy +Doherty, Lovell and Ewen families, Caroline and Hannah) and 11.30am

Masses on Monday at 11am. Funeral Mass for Mrs. Eithne Leahy. May she rest in peace. Funeral Service for Paul Wateridge at the crematorium on Monday at 2pm. May he rest in peace. Tuesday, Wednesday (+Ann Breedon +Francis Mendonca) and Friday at 10am

ADVENT AND CHRISTMAS 2023 AT HOLY FAMILY

We have written four Advent reflections (20 minutes) entitled "**Mary in St. Paul and the Gospels**". They will be presented on ZOOM on 11th, 12th, 13th and 14th December at 7pm.

Just put this link in your browser and click:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88398102782?pwd=bUdZV2VuRUswVW1tOXRRTjVhWXZMdz09>



Bambinelli Sunday: the Blessing of the Bambinelli was first instituted by St. John Paul II. On the Third Sunday of Advent, the children of Rome were encouraged to bring the baby Jesus (Bambinelli) from each of their Nativity sets to St. Peter's Square. Following the Sunday Angelus address, the Pope blessed the figurines.

Now celebrated in other churches around the world, this Advent tradition is a way for children to connect their Nativity scene at home to the celebration of Christmas at their church.

Please bring your Christ figure from your home crib to Mass next weekend for blessing.

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FRIDAY, 15th DECEMBER Individual Confessions 6pm – 8pm. SATURDAY, 16th DECEMBER Individual Confessions 10am – 12 noon TUESDAY, 19TH DECEMBER (2pm and 8pm) Christmas Reconciliation Services



SATURDAY, 23rd DECEMBER Mass at 5pm

SUNDAY, 24th DECEMBER Masses at 9.30am and 11.30am

SUNDAY, 24th DECEMBER Christmas Masses at 5pm, 7.30pm and 10pm (with carols beforehand)

MONDAY, 25th DECEMBER Masses at 8.30am and 10am

WEDNESDAY, 27th DECEMBER Wieczór Polskich Kolęd środa 27-go grudnia o 17:00–18.00. Zapraszamy wszystkich do kościoła, szczególnie dzieci, na wspólne śpiewanie tradycyjnych polskich kolęd. Po koncercie kawa, herbata i pierniczki!
Polish Carol Service – Wednesday 27th December 17:00-18.00. All welcome for an evening of traditional Polish Carols. For non-Polish speakers, the readings and prayers will be on the video screen in English.

SUNDAY, 31st DECEMBER Mass at 10pm

MONDAY, 1st JANUARY Mass at 11am



Kieran writes..... Those of us who give to our parish using a standing order, offertory envelopes and our card machine, contribute to the upkeep of our Church building itself throughout the year. Thank you very much for this.

We make provision for Fr. Kevin in a different way.

When we attend church at Christmas and Easter, money collected in the basket at the offertory time, goes directly to Fr. Kevin. This is his Christmas or Easter Offering. His gift from us, if you like, for his pastoral care, leadership and hard work throughout the year. Should you choose to give to Fr Kevin's Christmas offering in this way, envelopes will be available in the Narthex of the Church soon.

However, some of us may like to give to Fr Kevin's Christmas offering by using an online banking method. These are the required details.

Our Bank: NatWest, Sort code, 60-06-11. Account Number, 91052106, Account Name, RCDN Holy Family Parish, Slough. Payment reference, Fr. Kevin O'Driscoll. (Not the Parish.) Thank you very much.