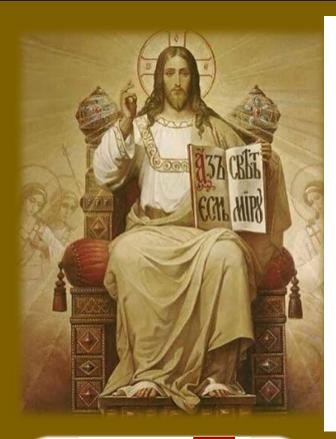




The Sacred Heart Parish



Today is the final Sunday of the Liturgical Year. Next Sunday we begin the new year with the First Sunday of Advent.

The word 'advent' means arrival and it's the time of the year when we focus our attention on making sure we are ready for the arrival, the Advent of Jesus.

We would be forgiven for thinking that Advent

is about the Lord's birth, His first arrival, but actually it's not! The First arrival has been and gone – it's happened already....

No! Advent is a time for preparing for the Lord's Second Coming at the end of Time. We use His First Coming to help us to see the mistakes the People of God made the first time round, how so many of the missed and even rejected Him to make sure history does not repeat itself!

Community Communion

Parish Mission Statement:

"We are here to make Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament better known, loved, honoured, worshiped and adored. All of our efforts in this parish will be geared towards helping every individual to discover the Lord waiting for them to approach Him in the tabernacle".

POST-LOCKDOWN REGULATIONS:

We will continue to follow the COVID safety requirements as follows:

- Hand sanitising on the way into church.
- Good ventilation.
- Holy Communion will be distributed under one kind.
- No sign of peace.
- The collection will continue to be taken on the way in / out of church.
- The church will continue to be sanitised after Mass.
- To allow for the church to be cleaned the doors will be closed after Mass.
- We go home immediately after Mass.

Sacramental Preparation in the Parish



Baptism preparation:

The next
Preparation
course
begins on
Saturday 29th
January at
10am



Confession:

Available 30mins before every Mass and:

5pm Sat 6pm Tues 11am Fri



First Confession and Holy

Communion:
The next
session will
be on
Saturday 27th
November at

10am



Confirmation classes:

The next session will be on Saturday 4th December at 12 noon.



Marriage Preparation:

It takes approx.

1 year to
prepare for
Marriage.
Catholics must
be Confirmed
before
Marriage.



Holy Orders:

If you have ever considered a Vocation to the Priesthood / Deaconate, please speak to Fr John.



Last Rites:

If there is ever the danger of death, please contact Fr John immediately.



Confession Times:

30mins before every Mass & 5pm on Saturdays 6pm on Tuesday 11am on Fridays Or by appointment



Adoration of the Most

Blessed Sacrament:

Tuesday 6pm — 7pm Friday 10am -12 noon Saturday 5pm — 6pm

Benediction: 5:45pm on Saturdays



Devotions:

Holy Rosary: Wed after Mass

Fri 11:30am First Friday: Every first Friday



Altar servers training: Fortnightly on Saturdays at 10:30am



Family Catechesis:

Learn about our faith as a family.... Every two weeks at 10am on Saturday mornings

PRECEPTS

of the Catholic Church

Each of the precepts is a requirement for all Catholics. Together with the Ten Commandments, they represent the minimum level of moral living



ATTEND

Mass on all Sundays and Holy Days of Obligation and rest from work.

CONFESS

your sins at least once each year





RECEIVE

the **Holy Eucharist** at least once a year at Easter

OBSERVE

days of Fasting & Abstinence established by the Church





HELP

provide for the needs of the Church

For the next few weeks we're going to revisit the 5 precepts of the church. The Precepts of the church are laws considered binding upon all Catholics.....

Here we discuss the Second Precept: CONFESS

The second precept says that we should confess our sins at least once a year and this is known as the 'Easter Duties'.

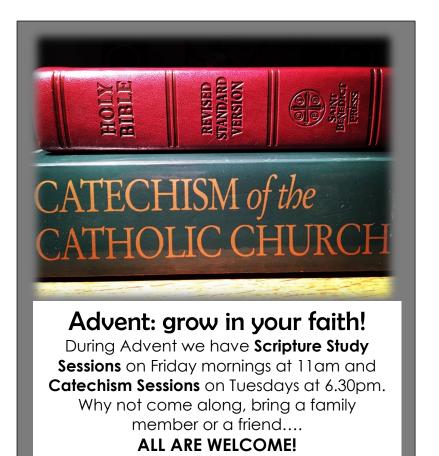
We can fulfil our Easter Duties by going to Confession between Ash Wednesday and Trinity Sunday.

So, does that mean we only have to go to Confession once a year? No! Once a year is the minimum and we are obliged to do that, but confession shouldn't only be done out of an obligation or a sense of duty.

We return to say sorry to God, to be reconciled with Him as many times as we need to – as often as we sin.

Developing a devotion to the sacrament of Confession is a good thing to do.

It is a good spiritual habit to go to confession once a month to confess even the venial sins we commit every day.



New rotas:

New rotas will be sent out in the week ahead. If you have volunteered for a role and do not receive a rota, please let Fr John know!

Tea and coffee:

Please stay for a cup of tea and coffee after Mass on Sunday 5th December. It's a great way to get to know one another. Thank you to all those who have volunteered to join the 'teamaking rota!'

Parish registration:

We are currently in the process of updating the parish register. It is important that every **individual parishioner** completes a form and returns it to Fr John. Forms are available in church or online.

First Confession & First Holy Communion:

Next session: will take place on Saturday 27th November at 10am.

Confirmation sessions:

Next session: will take place on **Sat 4th Dec OR Sun 5th Dec at 12 noon**.

November Mass list:

Envelopes are available now (in the porch) for this year's November Mass List.

House blessings:

If you would like Father John to visit, please fill in the contact form on the parish website or speak to him after Mass.



We are planning to hold evening classes here in the Parish..... Would you be interested?





For a synodal Church
communion | participation | mission

'What changes need to be made

in myself, in our parish and in the
Diocese – to make the church's
mission today more vibrant and
effective?'



Working together to build up the Parish.....

As you know, the parish registration form included a list of projects and activities to volunteer for.... And we have had a tremendous response!

We've had new volunteers sign up of all kinds of things.....

Life is busy and not everyone has time to spare so it's important to emphasise that volunteering or 'getting involved' is not as important making sure we pray, adore God, go to Confession and attend Holy Mass. Those things are the most important.

BUT! We are so fortunate here in the parish to have a good number of people who do have some time to spare and have volunteered to help out with certain ministries and projects. Here are a few:

Since the completion of the Parish Registration forms (with still a few more to come in!) we now have:

11 NEW readers

19 NEW altar servers

7 NEW helps for tea and coffee

5 NEW members for the hospitality team

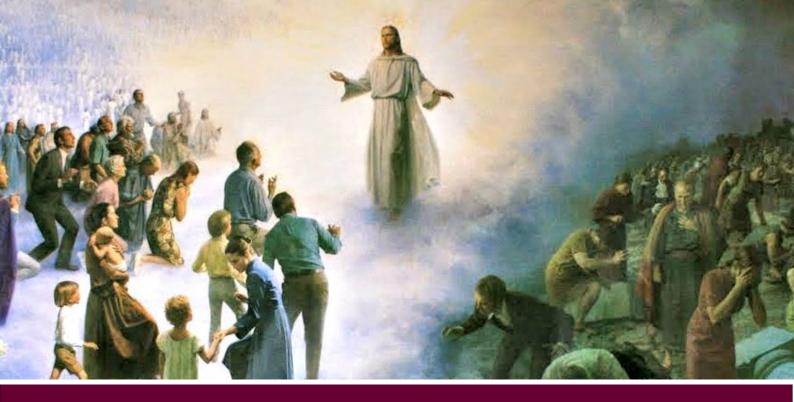
3 NEW members for our finance Committee

5 NEW helpers for gardening

3 NEW helpers for building maintenance

20 NEW volunteers to deliver leaflets

4 NEW volunteers to help clean the church



Advent: failing to prepare is preparing to fail.....

Advent is a time of preparation....
But what exactly are we preparing for?

Advent is a time that must be different.... Those 4 weeks cannot be the same as the rest of the year; we need to live differently so that we will be prepared..... but prepared for what?

'Failing to prepare is preparing to fail'....

Advent is a specific time for us to concentrate on 'The Second Coming' of Christ. We're not preparing for Our Lord's First Coming, (He has already been!) we are preparing for His return, known in Greek as the Parousia.

What are you going to do? How will you live differently this Advent?

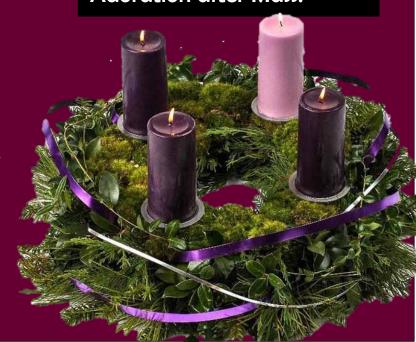
Tuesdays in Advent:

6.30pm: Catechism session

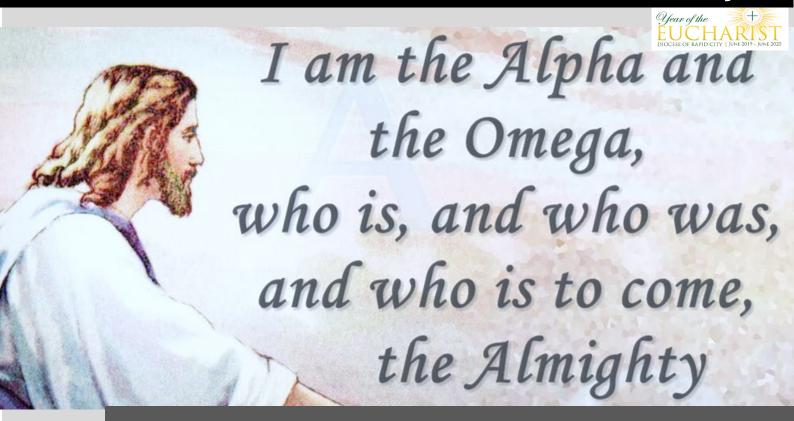
7.30pm: Holy Mass Adoration after Mass

Fridays in Advent:

11am: Bible Study 12 noon: Holy Mass Adoration after Mass.



'People often have vague, even wrong ideas about the Mass.... The Mass is the sacrifice of Christ on Calvary'



The timelessness of God

God is outside of Time, He is ETERNAL which means without a beginning or an end, God is timeless.

The timelessness of God is represented by the never ending circular wreath.... many modern 'Advent Wreaths' come in all kinds of shapes, but they've missed the point, the ring represents eternity, the eternal God.

Within the timeless ring we have candles counting down the passing of time.



We can see the passing of time made physical in the melted candles. This meeting of time and eternity in the Advent Wreath reminds us of when time and eternity met in Jesus – God made Man, the eternal God entering time.

The Advent Wreath reminds us of the Incarnation: God becoming Man and taking on our flesh and our Human Nature which is what we celebrate at Christmas.

Mass times for the week ahead:

(Confessions 30mins before every Mass)

Saturday 20 th Nov Christ the King of the Universe	Joyful Mysteries	Dedicated to the Blessed Virgin Mary
Adoration: 5pm	Sacred Heart, Bordon	
Confessions: 5pm	Sacred Heart, Bordon	
Holy Mass: 6pm Sunday VIGIL	Sacred Heart, Bordon	Sharon Galvin RIP
Sunday 21 st Nov	Glorious Mysteries	Dedicated to the Resurrection
Holy Mass: 10:00am	Sacred Heart, Bordon	People of the Parish
Monday 22 nd Nov	Glorious Mysteries	Dedicated to the Holy Souls
Holy Mass: 10:00am	Sacred Heart, Bordon	D'Souza & Siqueiro Family [N]
Tuesday 23 rd Nov	Sorrowful Mysteries	Dedicated to the Holy Angels
Adoration: 6:00pm	Sacred Heart, Bordon	
Confessions: 6:00pm	Sacred Heart, Bordon	
Holy Mass: 7:00pm	Sacred Heart, Bordon	Mary White & Judith & Brian Tiddeman RIP [N]
Wednesday 24 th Nov	Glorious Mysteries	Dedicated to Saint Joseph
Holy Mass: 10:00am	Sacred Heart, Bordon	Fr Marcin Drabik Int.
Friday 26 th Nov	Sorrowful Mysteries	Dedicated to the Holy Cross
Adoration: 11:00am – 12noon	Sacred Heart, Bordon	
Holy Mass: 12noon	Sacred Heart, Bordon	Tom & Peggy Sheraton RIP [N]
Saturday 27 th Nov	Joyful Mysteries	Dedicated to the Blessed Virgin Mary
Adoration: 5pm	Sacred Heart, Bordon	
Confessions: 5pm	Sacred Heart, Bordon	
Holy Mass: 6pm Sunday VIGIL	Sacred Heart, Bordon	Murphy, Sargent and Lowrey Family [N]
[F] = Foundation Mass [N] = November Mass list		