



Parish Newsletter Supplement

Parish Website

www.stcuthberts.org.uk

18/12/2022

HYMN BOARD

Please find the separate
Hymn sheet

Entrance:

O come, O come Emmanuel	112
Lord have mercy	480

Alleluia: Alleluia, your words O Lord are Spirit and Life. Alleluia, open our hearts to your Word

Offertory: Eat this bread	633
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Holy Holy: St Bernadette's	
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Communion: Word made flesh	989
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Dismissal: The Angel Gabriel	113
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This Sunday
there will be a
Charity Produce Sale
at the back of the church



The Parish Music Group will be supporting the music at the Family Mass at 5.30pm at St Joseph's on Christmas Eve. We would like to extend a warm invitation to any musician or singer, young or older, to join us and prepare by coming along to our practice on **Tuesday 20th December at 7.30pm (venue to be confirmed)**. Please contact Liz Moxham on lizmoxham@hotmail.co.uk /07876255849 or approach any of the musicians at the Sunday Masses if you would like to come along.



Tea & Coffee will be served
after the
9.30 am & 11.15 am Sunday Mass at
St Joseph &
St Thomas of Canterbury Church.
Also after the Thursday mass, unless it is a
Requiem Mass

Music Ministry



Fourth week of Advent PEACE

Be people of peace.

Let peace live in your heart and share the peace of Christ with all you meet.

Share peace by acting out of compassion and not fear.

Share peace by listening to all sides of the story.

Share peace by praying for our world.

In this Advent season, we need to see, feel, and share peace.

As you go out into the wonder of God's creations, share peace and hope with those you meet. Amen.

We are waiting



Come, Lord Jesus, Come...

Lord Jesus,

**Master of both the light and the darkness, send your Holy Spirit upon
our preparations for Christmas.**

We who have so much to do and seek quiet spaces to hear your voice each day,

We who are anxious over many things look forward to your coming among us.

We who are blessed in so many ways long for the complete joy of your kingdom.

We whose hearts are heavy seek the joy of your presence.

We are your people, walking in darkness, yet seeking the light.

To you we say, "Come Lord Jesus!"

Amen.

Henri J.M. Nouwen



Advent radio broadcast answers call to missionary discipleship

A News item in Salford Diocesan Website

A Bolton parish is hitting the airwaves this Advent in an effort to share God's message of love and hope beyond the pews of the parish.

The Parish of St Cuthbert's has become a regular feature on Bolton FM this Advent with a special festive-themed broadcast on "The Spirit of Bolton" programme.

Responding to our diocesan Hope in the Future Programme, the Parish Leadership Team has been working hard with parish priest Fr Chris Gorton to explore more ways of living out the call to be missionary disciples – a theme that is particularly relevant during Advent. Fr Chris explained:

"Through the Spirit we receive in baptism, we are given a special purpose, a special mission to share God's message of joy, peace, and love to the world around us.

"Our Advent radio broadcast is our way of answering the call of our baptism, by using the story of Christmas to "bring glad tidings" to all in our community and beyond."

Hope in the Future is an invitation to every parish to recognise and develop this missionary identity and call to evangelise. Formally launched in 2017, the programme is now entering its fifth and final stage – called "Sharing the Hope" – but parishes are invited to embark on the journey in their own time and at their own pace.

Pauline O'Rourke, a member of the Parish Leadership Team at St Cuthbert's, was delighted to work on the project and share the wonderful message of Christmas with the wider community.

She said: "Our Parish Leadership Team met with Fr. Chris to consider how our parish could achieve not only stronger links with young people and younger children in our parish and parish schools and their families, but also to include the whole parish and wider community.

"We came up with the idea in 2020 of putting together a presentation of "The Christmas Story", which was narrated by individuals and interspersed with carols. The broadcast went ahead in the week leading up to Christmas."

The broadcast was then developed and expanded on in 2021, and is now being repeated once again on Bolton FM (96.5 FM) at 7pm on each of the Sundays in Advent.

The programme consists of readings, reflections, hymns, prayers, presented by parish co-ordinators, the parish music group, the music ministry team, and young people and children from the parish.

Pauline and the team have been delighted by the response to the programme and how it is helping them live out their parish mission.

She said: "The initiative was warmly received, particularly by the families of those involved, and parishioners were appreciative and supportive of the ambition and creativity of the parish coming together in this way.

You can read the whole article on the Diocesan website under the 'News' tab

Christmas poinsettia Memorials

If anyone would like to donate a poinsettia plant in memory of someone/ family this Christmas season please leave them in the sacristy at Stoc or at the back of church at St Joseph's . If you wish you can write /attach a card yourself and they can be taken home after the Epiphany (6th Jan 2023)



Cuddy Ducks

is closed for the Christmas season now and will reopen

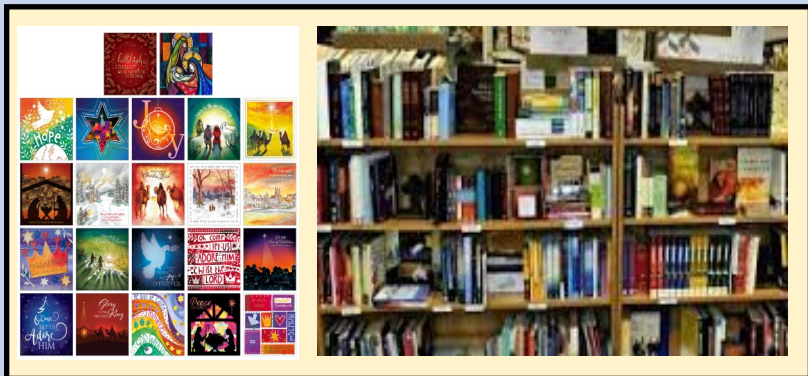
Thursday 12th January 2023



PIETY STALL

For all your gifts for Advent and Christmas cards, as well as Mass Cards and that special Gift.

Please call in & look around at the stall, positioned at the back of both churches

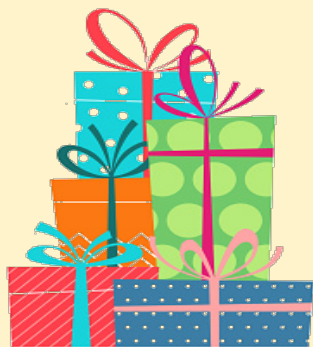


St Joseph's School

Wednesday 21st December

starting at 3.30 p.m.

There will be;
Games, Bottle Tombola and Sweets Tom-
bola
Stalls



Refreshments (food and drinks) stall

mary's meals a simple solution to world hunger

THIS GIFT WILL FEED A CHILD FOR A WHOLE SCHOOL YEAR

THIS GIFT WILL FEED TWO CHILDREN FOR A WHOLE SCHOOL YEAR

Happy Christmas

Christmas gift cards are available now!

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Please remember your Charities

URBAN
OUTREACH

Don't forget to put your food parcels and gifts into the **BINS**

In keeping with our Parish custom, the collections to be taken at the Christmas Eve vigil and Day Holy Masses will be donated, half to a local and half to an overseas charity This year your donations be sent to the following :

CARITAS Young Parents' Accommodation (Bolton)

CAFOD World Food Crisis East Africa / Sudan

Thank you for your generosity.

Parish Draw

The winners for the last draw for 2022 are:-

No 180 on Book 36.	Gerard McDonna
No 450 on Book 90.	Gerard Kay
No 522 on Book 105.	Veronica Carr
No 160 on Book 32.	Christine Deane

Each winner will receive £50

Just a reminder for friends paying by cash

£10 is now due for the start of the 2023 Draw Thank you



*THE PARISH OF ST. CUTHBERT
PLEASE COME AND JOIN US*

**OUTSIDE ST. JOSEPH CHURCH
FOR
CHRISTMAS CAROLS
WITH FR. CHRIS AND BRASS BAND
on **FRIDAY 23RD DECEMBER**
at **6.30 p.m.****

*followed by refreshments inside
(mulled wine, mince pies and sweet treats)
We look forward to your joining us*

TRUST MUSIC

Christmas Concert



*Join us for tea, coffee and
cakes after the concert*

Trust Music
raises money to
support local children
with music education.
All ticket money and
donations will
provide music
bursaries for
young people.

MONDAY, 19TH DECEMBER 2022 7pm

St Thomas of Canterbury Church

£8 Adults (with option for
additional donation to the charity)
Under 18's free of charge



Musical performances by
Cantamus Community Choir
Ellie Goddard, Soprano, accompanied by
Jacqueline Tinniswood
New Century Strings (Bolton Music Service)
Westhoughton High School Staff Choir

Book your tickets now by visiting our box office:
www.trybooking.co.uk/BZFJ
Tel: 01204 333533



CHILDREN'S Treasure Hunt



The Parish of
St CUTHBERT

**Bolton
at Home**

PLEASE JOIN US!

FRIDAY

Everyone
Welcome

23RD DECEMBER
12.00 - 2.00PM

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Picture Puzzles

FREE
SESSION

St Cuthbert's RC Outreach

- invites you to join us for a FREE Children's Treasure Hunt with prizes and free food.

**VENUE: LONGTOWN GARDENS,
HALLIWELL, BL1 3SW**



Free Food



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CHRISTMAS & NEW YEAR MASS TIMES

Boxing Day (Feast of St. Stephen) (Mon)
Mass 11.00 a.m. St. Thomas of Canterbury

Tuesday (27th), Wednesday (28th) and Thursday (29th) - Masses as normal

Friday (30th) Feast of The Holy Family
Mass 10.00 a.m. St. Joseph

Sat 31st Dec Vigil Mass 5.30 St. Thomas of Canterbury

Sunday 1st Jan 9.30 St. Joseph - 11.15 St. Thomas of Canterbury

Mon 2nd Jan – No Mass

Tues and Wed (usual)

Thursday 5th Jan - 10.00 a.m. St Thomas of Canterbury + Epiphany Vigil 7.30 p.m.

Friday Epiphany 10.00 a.m. St. Josephs

No	Dates	Themes	Location
5.	Thursday 19 th January 2023 (tbc)	Counsel	Parish
6.	Thursday 2 nd February 2023 (tbc)	Fortitude & Piety	Thornleigh
7.	Saturday 4 th March 2023	Flame 2023	London (Whole Day)
8.	Thursday 27 th April 2023 (tbc)	Awe & Preparation for Confirmation	Thornleigh
9.	Thursday 18 th May 2023 (tbc)	Confirmation – What Happens	Parish
10.	Saturday 17 th June 2023 (tbc)	Retreat Day	Thornleigh
11.	Thursday 22 nd June 2023 (tbc)	Confirmation	Thornleigh
12.	Thursday 6 th July 2023 (tbc)	What Happens Next	Parish

The Confirmation Sessions:

19 December Cantamus Christmas Concert
 20 December Music Rehearsal
 21 December St Joseph Christmas Fayre
 23 December Children's Treasure Hunt
 23 December Fr Chris & Band– Carols

17 January Bible Study Group restarts –Becket Suite
 22 January CAFOD Lunch– see notice next week
 23 January **ALPHA starts**

Dates For Your Diary



For details please see the individual notices