

Convent of Jesus and Mary Christmas Concert

The governors, staff and talented students of Convent of Jesus and Mary Language College would love to welcome the community to our Christmas Concert on Tuesday 13th December at 7.00pm. Please phone the school office to let them know you will be coming on 020 8965 2986.

The Passage—Christmas Appeal

Please support a Carol Service in aid of The Passage, a charity working with homeless people on Friday 16th December at 6.00 pm in St Margaret's Church, Westminster, the parish church of the House of Commons. Readers include Nick Hancock, Lynda Baron, Kathryn Pogson and Cardinal Vincent Nichols. Admission by advanced ticket only from The Passage tel. 020 7592 1856 email tickets @passage.org.uk minimum recommended donation £25.

Westminster Cathedral Christmas Celebration

An evening of Christmas music, readings and words from Cardinal Vincent Nichols will take place on Tuesday 20th and Wednesday 21st December at 7.30pm at Westminster Cathedral. Tickets available from www.ticketmaster.com or 0844 844 0444.

The Communications office at the Diocese have launched a campaign ***Come Home for Christmas*** Please visit the Diocesan website rcdow.org.uk/news/comehomeforchristmas/ or see #comehomeforchristmas on Twitter and Facebook.

St George's School

On 8th December the school held their annual remembrance service for Phillip Lawrence the Head Teacher who was murdered trying to protect a student. Thank you to the staff, parents and pupils of St George's for your commitment and dedication in promoting the Catholic ethos in your school.

“Greater love has no man than to lay down his life for his friends”

Mazenod Social Club

020 7624 5517

Manager: Anna Redmond

Assistant Manager: Mags Conway

Sat 10th Dec

Billy Heneghan in Lounge

Parish Christmas Dinner Dance in Hall Sat 17th December 2016

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5 Course Hot Buffet

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Grand Christmas Raffle · Spot Prizes
Music by Pat & Mustang

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Raffle for Marie Curie Hospice
in Hampstead. Call in if you would like to
donate a raffle prize.

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Final Payments now due
Please call in and collect your tickets
Tickets £25

Mon 19th Dec

The Ballroom of Romance
with Tom Healy

Fri 23rd December

Set Dancing in Hall from 8.30pm

Sat 24th Dec – Christmas Eve
Opening 12 Noon to 10pm

Christmas Day
Opening 12 Noon to 3pm

Mon 26th Dec – Boxing Day
Opening 12 Noon to Midnight

New Year's Eve
The Ballroom of Romance in Hall
From 8pm with McGinty
Admission by ticket only: £7
Includes light buffet
Strictly Adults only.
No children admitted.

Sacred Heart Church

Newsletter for 11th December. 3rd Sunday of Advent

Contact Details: Telephone: 0207 624 1701, Email: parish@omiquex.org.uk

Websites: www.omiquex.org.uk. & www.oblates.co.uk



“Advent, once a year. The chance to wait with a purpose, make a change”

***Bright Star—water God,
Travel with us through Advent.***

Shine into our dark corners, lead us into ways of justice.

Warm us with joy & wonder

Bring us to new birth

Ruth Burgess

Advent Activities in our Parish

A full schedule of all the activities that are happening in our Parish during Advent is available at the back of the Church and also on the website. Prayers for Advent & Christmas are also available in the Church.

Taize Prayer During Advent

Advent Taize style prayer every Tuesday evening from 7pm in the church until Christmas. We will sing some simple chants, hear a Gospel reading and spend a short time in silence. Why not join us and take the opportunity to spend some time in preparation for the miracle of Christmas?

'O Come, Let us adore him, Christ the Lord'



Parish Penitential Service

The Advent penitential service will be held on Monday 12th December at 7.30pm in the Church.

Car Park Closure

The Car Park will be closed again on ***Thursday 15th December and Friday 16th December*** for the work on our drains to be completed.

Thank you for your patience during the closure of the Car Park.

The Sacrament of Baptism

Sr. Lucilla has changed her day for parents to come and register their child for Baptism from Monday to **Wednesday**. Please call to the Parish Office any Wednesday morning from 9am—12 noon to discuss your child's Baptism.



Confirmation

There will be a cake sale in aid of the **Marie Cure Centre** which is being held by our **Confirmation Candidates** on Sunday December 18th after the 11am and 12.30pm masses. Any donations of cakes for the sale can be handed into the Parish House that morning. Thank you.

The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA)

The **RCIA** candidates who wish to be made full members of the Catholic Church here in Kilburn will have their Rite of acceptance into the Church today. Please continue to pray for them.



Scripture Readings & Meditation

Sr. Naomi will lead the groups on Thursday evening at 7pm and Friday morning at 10.30am in the Conference Room of the Presbytery. There will be reflections on a scripture reading, followed by prayer and meditation. All are welcome to attend.

Links for Crime Prevention

Advice can be found at :-

<http://content.met.police.uk/Site/crimepreventionbumblebee>

content.met.police.uk/Article/Bogus-callers/1400010701093/1400010701093

Please be mindful and vigilant during Christmas and keep yourself and your belongings safe.

The Filipino Community celebrate Mass here on the 3rd Sunday of every month at 3pm.

Next Parish Dinner

Fr Terry's **Parish Dinner** on December 15th is now completely booked out! Over **100** of us are heading out that night! If you have reserved a place, please collect your tickets from the Presbytery and pay £15.00 if you have not already done so.

Collections

Thank you for your continued support of the Parish and Diocese.....4th December £3156.94.

This year we have managed to repay £14,000 towards the debt owing to the Oblates for the refurbishment work on the Church. This money was made up from the second collections, private donations and fund raising. Thank you to everybody that has contributed in anyway, Your generosity is very much appreciated.

Christmas Novena Masses

Christmas Novena Mass cards are available from the Parish Office. All names included on the Novena list will be prayed for at every Mass from Christmas Day—3rd January. What a lovely Christmas gift!

Christmas Timetable

A list of all services during Christmas is available at the back of the Church and also on our website.

Please note that there will no evening Mass on Christmas Day.

St Vincent de Paul

The annual **SVP** Christmas Dinner has been put back until the middle of January. The annual appeal in our parish for the SVP is Saturday 17th and Sunday 18th December. Thank you.

Parish Crèche

There will be a special visitor on Monday 19th December. If your child will be there, please let Fr Terry know so he can tell Santa!

Free English Classes

English classes for Adults at 14a Quex Road, Tuesdays from 10am—12 noon. please speak to Fr Lylie for more info.

Young at Heart Club

The **Young at Heart Club** will meet after Mass on Wednesday 14th in the Presbytery for prize bingo and an afternoon of guaranteed fun.

On 23rd December the group will meet at **The Brent Tavern, Cricklewood Broadway**. For Christmas Dinner at 1.30pm, please arrive by 1pm to be seated. Buses 16, 316, 332 or 32 from Kilburn High Road to Cricklewood Bus Garage, then walk 20 yards on the left.

To a young heart,
everything is fun!

Quex Youth

The **Quex Youth Group** will be travelling to Winter Wonderland this Friday evening. The Group will then take a break for Christmas. Thank you to all who attend and to those who volunteer every Friday evening.

Mental Health Support Group

We now have a support group for parents/carers supporting children and teenagers with mental health needs. Please join us for an informal coffee morning where you can meet and share with others in a similar situation. Every Thursday 11am – 1 pm in the Presbytery. All are welcome to attend

Saturday Afternoon Club

Do you have a child with additional needs? If so, why not come along any Saturday afternoon to the Club that meets in the Parish House from 2pm-4pm and have a chat with Maria.

The Porch

The **Porch Project** is going from strength to strength. Many thanks to the Volunteers who prepare the food and provide hospitality to those who otherwise would go without food or shelter on a Thursday evening.



Advent Wreaths

Thank you to James & Paula and the Youth Group for preparing the Advent Wreaths. All proceeds raised will go

towards the Porch Project. If you have ordered a wreath, please collect them after Mass today.

Baby Organic Food

A Parishioner has kindly donated £200 worth of organic baby food, which must be collected from Kensington. if you are interested please let the Parish Office know.

Parish Office

The office is opened Monday—Friday from 9.30am—5.00pm. The office closes for lunch on Monday and Tuesday from 1pm—2pm. If you have an urgent matter, there is always a Priest on duty from 5pm—6.30pm during the week.

The Office will be closed for Christmas from 1pm on Friday 23rd December—9.30am on Tuesday 3rd January 2017.

Growing In Faith

The latest Growing in Faith newsletter is available from the back of the church. Please feel free to take a copy.

We walk through Advent as forgiven people,
lifting our fears towards the light. Let us walk
together in hope and in faith.....Alison Adam