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# CATHOLIC LOUTH AND MABLETHORPE

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### PLEASE REMEMBER IN PRAYER

**Those who are ill:** Jill Wright, Ann Nunn, Dorothy Howard, Pat Tiger, John Dean, Patricia Kerr, Shirley Kirkham, Paddy Shillington, Margaret & Robert Gwynne, Kevin Keeley, Mary Norburn, Judith Brook, Sally Shillington, Catherine Keeley, Pam Stephens, Diane Benton, Patricia & Spencer Harvey, Joseph Wilson, Laura Guest, Odessa Louise-Therese, John Thompson, Shaun Hewson, Winnie Copp, Thecla Domici.

**Those who have died recently:** **S. Mary's:** Jeanette Brothwell, Kevin Briggs, Liam Gerety, Paul Hale, Sheila Rodden, Daniel Darcy, David Cummings, Bernie Smallbone, Peter Endean, Eileen Adams, Irene Mander, Lea Small, David Peter Stubbs. **S. Joseph's:** Owen Jenkinson, Donal Bernard Norton, Jillian Ann Dyson, Fr. James Lynch, Maria Stapleton, Christopher Beal, Claire Sheldrake, Anne Powell.

**Those whose anniversaries occur at this time:** Francine Palmer, Denis Aughavan, Eugene Gerety, Thomas McEvoy, Maria Corrie, David Crawn, Michael Reynolds, Sheila McDonnell, Edith Hallaghan, Robert Hayes, Thomas Devine, Daniel Howard, Mary Vaughan, Ann Selby, John Sullivan, Michael Kirrane, Florence Mary Wellesby Colley, Mary Alice Cummings, Patrick McCabe, Beatrice Flynn.

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# WEEK I OF ADVENT

30<sup>th</sup> November - 6<sup>th</sup> December 2025, Year C, Psalter Week I

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## MASS TIMINGS AND INTENTIONS

Sun 30<sup>th</sup> Nov **FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT**

(vigil) * <b>18.15</b>	<i>Intentions of the Holy Father</i>	S. Mary's
* <b>9.00</b>	<i>Intentions of the Bishop</i>	S. Mary's
* <b>11.30</b>	<i>Holy Souls (++)</i>	S. Joseph's

Mon, 1<sup>st</sup> Dec **S. Ralph Sherwin, Blessed Christopher Buxton & Companions: The Martyrs of Derbyshire**

Tues, 2<sup>nd</sup> Dec **Advent Feria**

NO MASS

Wed, 3<sup>rd</sup> Dec **S. Francis Xavier**

10.00	<i>Slavic's intention</i>	S. Mary's
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Thurs, 4<sup>th</sup> Dec **S. John Damascene**

9.00	<i>The Holy Rosary &amp; Confessions</i>	S. Joseph's
10.00	<i>Benefactors of the Johnson Fund</i>	S. Joseph's

Fri, 5<sup>th</sup> Dec **Advent Feria**

15.00	<i>Divine Mercy devotion &amp; the Holy Rosary</i>	S. Mary's
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Sat, 6<sup>th</sup> Dec **S. Nicholas**

10.00	<i>Father Brian McWilliams of Brentwood (+)</i>	S. Mary's
10.45 – 11.45	<i>Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament w/ the Holy Rosary &amp; Confessions</i>	S. Mary's
* <b>18.15</b>	<i>The People</i>	S. Mary's

Sun, 7<sup>th</sup> Dec **SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT**

* <b>9.00</b>	<i>The People</i>	S. Mary's
* <b>11.30</b>	<i>The People</i>	S. Joseph's

*Please Note.* **Confessions** may be made available before all Masses upon request

\* Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament – for a half hour before the Sunday Masses

**Teas & coffees** after the 10 AM Masses on Wednesdays (S. Mary's) and Thursdays (S. Joseph's), and after the 9 AM Mass on Sundays (S. Mary's)

## NOTICES

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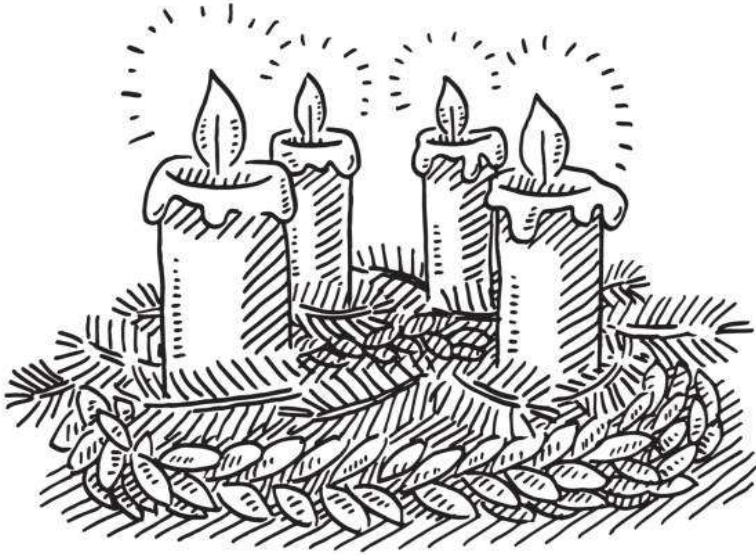
- ◆ **WEEKLY PARISH SESSIONS:** All are invited to grow in faith in Christ. Join us at the parish centre in Louth or email for the online link.
  - **RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults),** Sundays at 6PM (for those intending to join the Catholic Church)
    - Also at 1 PM on Sunday at S. Joseph's, Mablethorpe (in person only)
  - **All About Catholicism w/ Fr Kevin,** Mondays at 6 PM
  - **Bible Study w/ Fr Kevin,** Thursdays at 6 PM
- ◆ **PARISH GROUPS:** All are invited to grow in friendship in Christ.
  - **Women's Fellowship group:** Meets every fortnight.  
Next meeting: Tues, 25<sup>th</sup> Nov at 6.15 PM, S. Mary's parish centre, Louth.
  - **Men's Fellowship group:** Meets every fortnight.  
Next meeting: Tuesday, 9<sup>th</sup> Dec at 6.15 PM, S. Mary's parish centre, Louth
  - **YaYah Club for the Young & the Young at Heart:** Meets every Wednesday 6.30-7.30 PM, S. Joseph's Church, Mablethorpe.
- ◆ **SECOND COLLECTION:** 6<sup>th</sup> / 7<sup>th</sup> December: Poor and Needy Parishes
- ◆ **MUSIC TO COUNTER DARK DAYS.** A warm evening of traditional folk music with mulled wine and mince pies, is being held in Cathedral Hall, Nottingham NG1 5AW, on Friday 5th December at 7.00pm. All are welcome to this free event, with arts and crafts, and Christmas gifts on sale too.

### Saint Mary's, Louth

- ◆ **MONTHLY CAFOD COLLECTION:** 13<sup>th</sup> / 14<sup>th</sup> December.
- ◆ **S. MARY'S REPOSITORY.** It's your last chance to purchase an Advent Calendar! Only one left! A bible verse and an image for each day of December counting down to the Big Day! An assortment of Christmas cards also available! Please visit us in the parish hall after the Sunday Masses.
- ◆ **S. MARY'S CHRISTMAS FAYRE** We raised a Grand Total of £900! A big thank you for all your support and generosity, and to all those who worked tirelessly to organise and make this event a success. All proceeds go towards the Building Maintenance Fund.
- ◆ We are grateful for any donations to **S Mary's Maintenance Fund:**  
**Acct name** St Marys Louth RCP; **Acct no.** 00108605; **Sort code** 30-95-22

### Saint Joseph's, Mablethorpe

- ◆ **WEEKLY CONFESSIONS.** 9.00 – 9.50 AM on Thursday mornings.
- ◆ **FLOWERS FOR CHRISTMAS.** Please give as generously as you can for us to keep S. Joseph's as beautifully decorated as we would all wish, not only for the Christmas season but for the rest of the year.
- ◆ **S. JOSEPH'S REPOSITORY.** Christmas cards, both single and boxed sets, 2026 calendars, Advent Calendars, etc. at very keen prices in our Repository. We also have a lending library of religious books for your perusal.



**I**saiah is the prophet of Advent. In our first reading this weekend, the prophet places the mountain of the Jewish Temple higher than every other mountain. Since the high places were where ancient peoples climbed to offer sacrifices, the various mountains represented religions. The prophet is elevating the Jewish religion over every other, and Christ does the same when He says to a Samaritan woman that Salvation comes from the Jews. He is that Salvation, and His very name means God-saves. When does the Jewish religion tower over every other, lifted higher than every other? On a cross, outside the gates of Jerusalem. The prophet goes on... when this happens, when the cross is raised, all the tribes of mankind will stream to the foot of the cross, and the Holy One of Israel will rule their hearts... from a cross... But that rule of His over our hearts depends always upon our cooperation. And that brings us back to the theme of vigilance against sin, and Paul's warning in the second reading that we do not return to lives of sin, as a dog returns to its own vomit. For, if we leave the practice of religion to return to lives of vice, it will be as the gospel reading says, and we shall be badly surprised when Christ returns. So, stay awake, and stay ready...

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