

# ADVENT 2019

FOURTH WEEK OF ADVENT  
22nd to 24th December

The Fourth Sunday of Advent

in St Paul's Church:

Saturday 21st December:

Vigil Mass at 6:30pm.

Sunday 22nd December

Mass at 10:00am.

*"Do nothing from selfish ambition or conceit, but in humility regard others as better than yourselves. Let each of you look not to your own interests, but to the interests of others and Let the same mind be in you that was in Christ Jesus"*

*St Paul's letter to the Philippians 2, verses 3-5.*

## Home Prayer Groups in the Macclesfield area

Advent 2019 Home Groups are being organised by St Alban's; 4 or 5 weekly sessions, based on Mary's youthful and very courageous 'Let it be done unto me according to your word'. Details and flyers with a list of hosting homes throughout the parish, contact Cecilia on 01625 422598.

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Mary



## ST PAUL'S POYNTON ADVENT 2019

Scripture is at the centre of everything the Church does. The word of God shapes our prayer and worship. The Bible shows us how to understand the world, how we are called to live and relate to each other. The Catholic Bishops' Conference of England and Wales has chosen to dedicate 2020 as a year of focus on the Bible and 'The God Who Speaks'. This Advent we will start our journey. Throughout 2020 there will be a range of events, activities and resources to participate in all around the country. To help achieve transformation in our hearts and in our communities, there will be three themes - celebrating, living and sharing God's word.

### Travelling Crib

Please sign up to give a home to the travelling crib overnight during Advent. See the notice in the porch for more details and to sign up. This is a great opportunity to celebrate Advent as a parish, and its meaning in preparation for Christmas.

### Little Church – Lighting the Way

On each Sunday of Advent in the 10.00am Mass at St Paul's Church, the Little Church children will be celebrating 'Lighting The Way'. We will talk about getting ready during Advent, how Advent is a path that we follow and light along the way, about God's love for us, and the gift of Jesus. At the front of church, we will display a signpost and a path, and each week we will add a paper candle to that display. Any children between 2½ to 7 year old are welcome to be at Little Church, which is part of our celebrations at the 10am Mass each Sunday.

## Confessions

Fr Peter Burke is available for confessions at St Paul's Church from 5:30pm until 6pm, on each Saturday of Advent, that is the 30th November, then 7th, 14th and 21st December.



## FIRST WEEK OF ADVENT

1st December to 7th December

**The First Sunday of Advent in St Paul's Church:**

Saturday 30<sup>th</sup> November: Vigil Mass at 6:30pm.

Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> December: Mass at 10am.



**Carol Singalong, in St Paul's Church:** Sat 7th Dec, 4pm to

5:00pm.

Get ready for Christmas by singing along to your favourite well known carols, with accompanying readings. Entrance is free with a retiring collection for East Cheshire Hospice and The Wellspring.

*"We declare to you what was from the beginning, what we have heard, what we have seen with our eyes, what we have looked at and touched with our hands, concerning the word of life." 1 John 1:1*

## SECOND WEEK OF ADVENT



8th to 14th December

**Second Sunday of Advent in St Paul's Church:**

Saturday 7th December: Vigil Mass at 6:30pm.

Sunday 8th December: Mass at 10.00am.

**Evening Reflection 'The God Who Speaks': Mon 9<sup>th</sup> Dec,**

7pm-8:30pm in the presbytery conservatory.

An evening of reflection on the theme of 'The God Who Speaks'. Bring your bible for an insightful evening of scripture and reflection led by Ros Stuart-Buttle.

*The whole point of reading and understanding the Bible is to encounter God, understand the revelation he has given us and grow in faith.*

## THIRD WEEK OF ADVENT

15th to 21st December

**The Third Sunday of Advent,**

**Gaudete Sunday, in St Paul's Church:**

Saturday 14th December

Vigil Mass at 6:30pm.

Sunday 15th December

Mass at 10:00am.



**Christ**

**Day of Renewal in the Parish Centre at St Albans**

Sat 14th Dec - 9.15am to 4.00pm

A shortened version of the recent weekend held in Llandudno by Shrewsbury & Wrexham Diocesan Service Teams for Charismatic Renewal. More details: contact Deacon Gyorgy SGPstalban@gmail.com

**Forgiveness Mass in St Paul's Church**

Thursday 19th December at 7pm.

This Mass celebrates the meaning of Forgiveness, taking the theme of 'I confess to almighty God'. This mass will allow time for us to repent of those things we know are wrong and ask for God's forgiveness. We are then reconciled, and celebrate God's mercy and our peace of mind that comes with making a fresh start at the beginning of the new year of the Church in Advent.

All are welcome to this Mass.

*The Lord your God is one. And you shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul and with all your mind and with all your strength. Mark, chapter 12, verse 30*