

CATHOLIC PARISH OF MELBOURNE and CASTLE DONINGTON

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LITURGICAL YEAR: SUNDAY C / WEEKDAY 1

READINGS:

This Week: 2nd SUNDAY OF ADVENT: Baruch 5:1-9; Psalm 125; Philippians 1:3-11; Luke 3:1-6.

Next week: 3rd SUNDAY OF ADVENT: Zephaniah 3:14-18; Psalm 12; Philippians 4:4-7; Luke 3:10-18.



MASSES & LITURGIES

Saturday, December 8 th	5.00 pm Castle Donington	VIGIL MASS	William Graham RIP
Sunday, December 9 th	9.00 am Castle Donington 10.30 am Melbourne	2 nd SUNDAY OF ADVENT	Alban Greaves RIP Isabel Weiner RIP
Monday, December 10 th	9.00 am Melbourne		Peter & Toni Lothian RIP
Tuesday, December 11 th	6.00 pm Castle Donington		
Wednesday December 12 th	6.00 pm Melbourne	MASS & MEDITATION	Kath Dingley RIP
Thursday, December 13 th	6.00 pm Castle Donington	St. Lucy	
Friday, December 14 th	NO MASS		—
Saturday, December 15 th	5.00 pm Castle Donington	VIGIL MASS	William Graham RIP
Sunday, December 16 th	9.00 am Castle Donington 10.30 am Melbourne	3 rd SUNDAY OF ADVENT	People of the Parish Eleanor Wake RIP

ADVENT ACTIVITIES

THIS WEEK: Mass & Meditation before the Blessed Sacrament:
Melbourne, Wednesday, December 12th, 6.00 pm - 7.00 pm

NEXT WEEK: Service of Reconciliation and Mass:
Castle Donington, 20th December at 6.00 pm.



ADVENT PROJECT: We have chosen to help the Padley Centre for the Homeless in Derby for our Advent Project.

There will be retiring collections after all Weekend Masses during Advent towards our Advent Project.



INSTRUCTION CLASSES: INSTRUCTION CLASSES: in Catholicism. The next session is:
Monday, December 17th, at 7.00 pm, in the Rectory in Melbourne.

THANK YOU OF THE WEEK: Congratulations to our winners and thanks to all who organised and supported the Christmas raffle.

And more thanks, this time for those who worked so hard to make the Christmas Cracker Coffee Morning the successful event it turned out to be. Together they contributed £511 to parish funds.



CHOIR PRACTICES FOR CHRISTMAS MIDNIGHT MASS:

Sunday, 16th December: Castle Donington after 9.00 am Mass (new material to be learned)

Sunday, 23rd December, after 10.30 am Mass (practice with organ)

It would be great if those intending to sing with the choir at this beautiful liturgy would do their utmost to be at both practices.

THE SICK: Pray for our parishioners, family members and friends who are ill, including Angela Scouler, Eileen Gill, Beryl Murrant, Brian Sutcliffe, Edwin Knight, Jean Wilson, Robert Burns, Colette McGuckin, Roseanne Kelly, Roseia Williams, Susan Virtue, and our parishioners in care homes.



PRAY FOR: The repose of the souls of Elizabeth Whootton, Doris Barber, Jan Kozlowski, Helen Denton, Louise Madden, Winefred Duck, Joseph Innes, David Hatley, Philomena Weaving, Stephen Bolton, Mary Magill, Mary Gaffney, Jacqueline Broster and Rita Lambert, whose anniversaries are this week.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

December

12th Mass & Meditation 6.00 pm [M]

20th Mass & Reconciliation 6.00 pm [CD]
 24th Christmas Eve 'Midnight Mass'
 9.00 pm [M]

25th Christmas Day Masses:
 9.00 am [CD]
 10.30 am [M]

ONLY JOKING:



POPEQUOTE: If we allow ourselves to be overpowered by a concern for material things, we will not be able to perceive what is much more important: our final encounter with the Lord. And so Advent is an invitation to vigilance, because, not knowing when He will come, we must always be ready to depart. We are called to enlarge the horizons of our hearts, to be surprised by the life that is presented each day with its newness. In order to do this we need to learn to not depend on our own securities, our own established plans, because the Lord comes in the hour which we don't imagine.