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**The Church of Our Most Holy Redeemer
and Saint Thomas More
Cheyne Row, Chelsea**



Immaculate Conception, by Bartolomé Esteban Murillo

Newsletter 4 December 2022

4 December : Second Sunday of Advent

Tuesday: St Nicholas, Bishop
Wednesday: St Ambrose, Bishop and Theologian
Thursday: **THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION**
Friday: St Juan Diego Cuauhtlaatoatzin

MASS

Monday to Friday 8.00am

Saturday 10.00am, 6.30pm

Sunday 10.00am, 11.00am, 12.15pm, 6.30pm

Confession – Saturday 5.30pm to 6.00pm

Morning Prayer – Monday to Friday 7.45am, Saturday 9.45am,

Sunday 9.30am

Evening Prayer – Saturday and Sunday 6.00pm

Newly arrived in the parish – Please complete the Parish Registration Form, which is available at our website: holyredeemerchelsea.com.

Donations to the Parish can be made via: HSBC, Sort code: 40-05-20, Account no:91094386 Account name: Holy Redeemer Church, Chelsea.

The Rectory – 7 Cheyne Row, London SW3 5HS

Parish Priest – Canon Paschal Ryan

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Monday – Friday 9.30am – 1.30pm

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ADVENT

This year we have a long Advent, but it will pass quickly. There are so many Christmassy things to do, we find ourselves without time to prepare properly for this great feast of the Incarnation. This week, may the challenge of John the Baptist touch our hearts: “produce the fruit, do not presume”.

VOLUNTEERING IN THIS PARISH

While the parish is very grateful to those who have helped over the years, there is always a need for some new volunteers. If you can help with any of the following, please contact the Parish Office: Reading at Mass, helping at Mass as Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion, serving teas/coffees after the 10.00am and 11.00am Mass, helping the homeless, visiting sick and lonely people, Church Cleaning, Counting the Parish Collection.

MARY’S MEALS – DOUBLE THE LOVE

Until 31 January, every donation to the Mary’s Meals Double The Love appeal will be matched, up to £1.5 million. Mary’s Meals is an amazing charity which each school day feeds 2,279,941 children! The Mary’s Meals campaign began in 2002 and the charity is named in honour of Mary, the mother of Jesus, who brought up her own child in poverty. Today it is active in 20 countries. For more details, please see their website, marysmeals.org.uk and appreciate just how faith in action can have such wonderful results.

WESTMINSTER CATHEDRAL CHOIR

To commemorate the 400th anniversary of the death of William Byrd (1540 – 1623), Westminster Cathedral Choir will perform the entirety of his Gradualia, settings of music for Mass, during choral services at Westminster Cathedral. See rcdow.org.uk/news/ for more details.

CATHEDRAL CHRISTMAS

The annual Westminster Cathedral Christmas Celebration concerts, with the participation of the Cathedral choir, will take place this year on Tuesday 20 and Wednesday 21 December. For tickets, scan the QR code on the poster in the church porch or visit westminstercathedral.org.uk

SVP

St Vincent de Paul Society

This winter the SVP are distributing over 10,000 Vinnie Packs containing cold weather essentials to the homeless. Each pack contains thermal gloves, thermal hat, two pairs of socks, wet wipes or flannel, toothbrush, toothpaste, information sheet and pen. Please could you consider sponsoring packs at a suggested donation of £4.10 per pack? Donations can be sent to Vinnie Packs, PO Box 72264, London SW1P 9EZ with cheques made out to SVP or by bank transfer to Nat West sort code 60-60-04, account no. 4608 8237.

CCP – CERTIFICATE OF CATHOLIC PRACTICE

If you need a CCP to accompany an application this autumn for a place in a Catholic school, please do not delay in obtaining one. To qualify, your family should be attending Mass regularly in the parish where you request a CCP.

WINTERSHALL NATIVITY

Performances of the Wintershall Nativity Journey will take place from 14 to 19 December. Tickets and further information are available at wintershall.org.uk or by calling 01483 892167. Even if you are not going to attend, the story of this wonderful and inspiring initiative is well worth learning about.

CAFOD WORLD GIFTS

Give a gift of hope this Christmas. In Advent, let’s share the promise of hope that has been made to us with our sisters and brothers around the world. You can buy CAFOD’s World Gifts for family and friends this Christmas online at worldgifts.cafod.org.uk/ or pick up a catalogue in church. World Gifts such as “super soup kitchens”, “trees for life”, or “water for a family” will help transform lives in a world filled with challenges.

A SUSTAINABLE CHRISTMAS

The bishops of England and Wales, following the Pope’s lead, are encouraging us to change our lifestyles so as to help reverse climate change. Here are some tips for Christmas. Remember the 3 R’s – reduce, re-use, recycle. Let’s use Christmas time to move closer to God by thinking about how we can care for His creation.

GIFT SUGGESTIONS

Three great books:
“Breakspear: The English Pope” by R.A.J. Waddingham;
“The Creed in Slow Motion” by Martin Kochanski;
“Catholicism: a journey to the heart of the Faith” by Bishop Robert Barron.