



First Sunday of Advent – 3 December

Monday 4 December

Tuesday 5 December
1pm Mass

Wednesday 6 December *St Nicholas*
5pm Holy Hour with Evening Prayer

Thursday 7 December *St Ambrose*
8am Divine Mercy Devotions.
12noon Holy Hour with Rosary. 1pm Mass.

Friday 8 December *Immaculate Conception*

Saturday 9 December *St Juan Diego*

Sunday 10 December
5pm Confessions 5.30pm Mass

If you need to see Fr Philip at any time, please do not hesitate to contact him on 01524 594080 or you can try him at St Joseph's parish on 01524 32493 or email p.conner@lancaster.ac.uk – always happy to meet up if you need some help or counsel.

Events coming up...

Today we welcome Canon John Watson, the Vocations Director for the Diocese, who is going to celebrate Mass with us. Afterwards, there will be cake and cocktails in the Catholic Flat, and Fr John and Fr Philip will share in a relaxed setting for 20 minutes about their lives as priests, what led them to be priests, and what lies behind the collar! Everyone welcome.

Lectio Divina Group, meeting every Monday at 6.30-7.15pm in the Catholic Chapel, an opportunity to learn how to reflect, meditate, contemplate and be transformed by the Word of God.

Soulfood. On Wednesday 6 December, we welcome Michael Wee of the Anscombe Centre, a world-leading centre for bioethics and medical ethics at Oxford, who will speak on *Brave New World? Three—parent babies* and other recent ethical issues, in the Catholic Flat at 7pm.

Breakfast Club, a weekly initiative run by students, beginning with a short time of prayer in the Chapel at 8am on Thursday morning, followed by a cooked breakfast in the Flat and time together.

Rome Reunion. Andrew Dennison has organised a meal at the Morecambe Hotel at 6.45pm on Friday 8 December for all the merry band of pilgrims that made it to Rome this past September.

Medjugorje Youth Festival – students from Scotland and the north of England are joining 50,000 young people from around the world at the Youth Festival next summer in Medjugorje. If you would like to join this pilgrimage with Fr Philip, please sign up at the back of the chapel and book online as soon as possible at www.aglowpilgrimages.com/youthfest18 - seven nights in 3* hotel, with breakfast & dinner included, airport transfers, and experienced guide. Flights from Leeds at £425 or from London at £385.

Next Sunday, the collection will be for *Mary's Meals*, a charity that helps to educate over a million children in the poorest communities of the world, providing the children with a meal each day. *Mary's Meals* feed and educate a child for £13.80 for a year! In addition, after Mass next Sunday, there will be a time of Adoration and an opportunity for **Confessions** with some visiting priests as a way to prepare for Christmas.

Other news

Faith in Politics: Catholic Parliamentary & Public Affairs Internships. An 11-month internship to give Catholic graduates an intensive experience of political and social action with some interns being placed with Christian MPs and Peers at Westminster, others in media, others working in the area of public policy and social action with CAFOD and the Caritas Social Action Network. The year will also include a postgrad certificate in Catholic Social Teaching from St Mary's University, Twickenham. Details on www.faithinpolitics.org.uk Applications in by February.