



**OUR LADY IMMACULATE AND ST. ETHELBERT'S PARISH,  
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## Third Sunday of Advent (A)

We welcome all to today's Mass, especially visitors and friends who are celebrating with us.

<b>SUN: 14/12/2025 MASS: 9:00am</b> Michael Hayes RIP <b>MASS: 11.00am:</b> Jorge & Rose Almeida Thanksgiving <b>MASS: 6:30pm</b>
<b>MON: No Morning Prayer</b> Mass: 12.00pm A. Macdonald RIP, Irenia Santana Lobo 75 <sup>th</sup> Birthday Thanksgiving
<b>TUES: No Morning Prayer</b> Mass: 12.00pm
<b>WED: Exposition of the Holy Sacrament: 10.00am – 12.00pm</b> Mass: 12.00pm
<b>THURSDAY: No Morning Prayer</b> Exposition of the Holy Sacrament: 10.00am – 12.00pm Mass: 12.00pm
<b>FRIDAY: Exposition of the Holy Sacrament: 10 am – 12.30 pm</b> MASS: 12:30pm A. Macdonald RIP
<b>SATURDAY: No Morning Prayer</b> Mass: 5pm Tertuliana Fernandez Pinto RIP <b>6.30pm Carol Service</b>
<b>SUN: 21/12/2025 MASS: 9:00am</b> Sr. Caroline Thanksgiving for 38 Years in the Lord's Vineyard <b>MASS: 11.00am:</b> <b>MASS: 6:30pm</b>
<b>CONFESSIONS: NO CONFESSIONS THIS WEEK. Next Service See below</b> <b>Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> December 6.30pm</b> Reconciliation Service with individual Confession
<b>NO OFFICE HOURS THIS WEEK:</b>

### MINISTRIES:

#### Readers for this Sunday, 14<sup>th</sup> Dec

**9am Mass:** Jim B, Angel, Anissa

**11am Mass:** Abeshey I, Rose L, Kloenda C.

**6.30pm Mass:**

#### Readers for Next Sunday, 21<sup>st</sup> Dec

**9am Mass:** Jemima, Sr. Caroline, Sr. Pauline

**11am Mass:** Patrick I, Ellen K, Rosemary M

**6.30pm Mass:**

#### Eucharistic Ministers for this Sunday, 14<sup>th</sup> Dec

**9am Mass:** John McN, Sr. Pauline, Chris L.

**11am Mass:** Rosemary M, Jessicah M, Jan M.

**6.30pm Mass:**

#### Next Sunday Eucharistic Ministers, 21<sup>st</sup> Dec

**9am Mass:** Chris L, Jim B, Agness S.

**11am Mass:** Dorothy, Clara C, Cecilia JP .

**6.30pm Mass:**

### OFFERTORY PROCESSION

#### This Sunday:

#### Next Sunday:

**11am:** Dorothy & Eniola

### Our Readings:

**First Reading: Isaiah 35: 1-6a, 10**

God himself will come and save you

**Responsorial Psalm: Ps 146(145): 6c-7. 8-9a. 9b 10. R. cf. Isaiah 35:4**

Come, Lord, and save us

**Second Reading: James 5:7-10**

Establish your hearts, for the coming of the Lord is at hand.

**Gospel: Matthew 11:2-11**

Are you the one who is to come, or shall we look for another?

Thank you for your generous giving, May God bless you.

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## **NOTICES:**

**2<sup>nd</sup> Collection:** On Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> December there will be a second collection at all masses for flowers and other items required for the Christmas Season.

**Services Next Week From Monday 15<sup>th</sup> December – Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> December:** There will be a change in services next week while Fr. Pius is away as follows: there will be no morning prayer during the week Monday – Thursday & Saturday. Monday mass will be at 12pm, Tuesday mass at 12pm, Wednesday adoration 10am – 12pm with mass at 12pm, Thursday adoration 10am – 12pm followed by mass at 12pm, Friday Adoration 10am – 12.30pm followed by mass at 12.30pm and Saturday No Morning Prayer Mass will be at **5pm** and our Carol Service at 6.30pm.

**Carol Service:** This will take place on Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> December at 6.30pm. We will have mince pies and mulled wine/ tea or coffee after this service. Please bring mince pies and the mulled wine to share.

**Confirmation Group:** The confirmation group will meet this Saturday, 13<sup>th</sup> December at 12.00pm

**Little Friends of Jesus:** Little Friends of Jesus (LFJ) will meet for Eucharistic Adoration on 13<sup>th</sup> December at 10.30am. All children aged 1-12, as well as families, are welcome.

**Giving Tree Appeal:** This year our giving tree appeal is in support of those in need who call in at our church. Please take a label (or more) from the giving tree, buy the gift/food (non-perishable with long expire dates). These items should be placed in a carrier bag with the label attached and brought to the church and placed under the tree during the Christmas Season. Last day for placement is Sunday, 11<sup>th</sup> January 2026.

**Christmas Offering Collections:** As is customary, our Christmas Offerings on 24<sup>th</sup> December (vigil masses) and Christmas Day, 25<sup>th</sup> December will be for our parish priest, Fr. Pius. We thank him for looking after us all through - out the year. Envelopes for your Christmas Offerings are now available at the back of the church which you can kindly return through the offertory collections.

**Christmas Programme:** The Christmas Programme is now available on our website and on the notice board.

### **Christmas Services This Coming Week**

**Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> December  
Mass at 5pm  
6.30pm Christmas Carol Service**

**Funeral:** The funeral of the late Wellington Jose Francis Quadros will be held on Monday, 15<sup>th</sup> December at 12.00 pm at Holy Family Church, Langley and then at Slough cemetery at 1.45pm. May his soul rest in peace.

**Missio Boxes:** Thank you to all those who returned their red mission boxes. These have been emptied and are now available for collection at the back of the church. Your continued generosity is much appreciated.

**SVP Message:** There will be an outreach project by the SVP taking place on Saturday, 20<sup>th</sup> December from 2 to 4 pm at St Ethelbert Church. They will be putting up a shelter with some food and hot drinks. This would be for all passing by the church, which would be open for anyone to light a candle or to come in and pray. They have invited other ministries like Music, evangelisation groups and prayer groups to join them.

The SVP members will be going out on Slough High Street informing people of the event and also giving out hampers to the homeless and an invitation to drop by the church. If anyone would like to assist, they are most welcome. They are also collecting used/ new scarf, caps, gloves and socks for the winter, this will go into the hampers. Please contact Cedrica Lobo on 07767477402 if you would like to participate.

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Next date: 12<sup>th</sup> February 2026.

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