

# PARISH OF OUR LADY OF PERPETUAL SUCCOUR

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7<sup>th</sup> December 2014

SECOND SUNDAY OF  
ADVENT

**Saturday (Vigil)**  
**Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> December**



Monday IMMACULATE CONCEPTION OF BVM

Tuesday *Feria*

Wednesday *St Francis Xavier*

Thursday *Feria*

Friday

Saturday *St Lucy*

**Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> December**

THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT

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6.00 pm	Mass – <i>Int. Agnes McGraw, RIP</i>
8.00 am	Low Mass in Extraordinary Form
10.00 am	Mass – <i>Int. Jean Anne Slater, RIP</i>
11.45 am	Mass ( <i>St Aidan's Congregation</i> )
9.30am	Mass – <i>Int. Ron Bishop, RIP</i>
9.30am	Mass
<b>NO MASS</b>	
7.00pm	Adoration and Benediction
8.00pm	Mass – <i>Int. Fr B J Davenport, RIP – 2<sup>nd</sup> Anni</i>
9.00am	Mass – <i>Int. Margaret Smimia, RIP</i>
9.30 am	Mass
10.15–11.00am	Confessions
6.00 pm (Sat.)	Mass – <i>Int. Maggie Archer (sick)</i>
8.00 am	Mass in Extraordinary Form ( <i>Tridentine</i> )
10.00 am	Mass – <i>Int. Frances and Bert Mendis, RIP anni</i>
11.45 am	Mass ( <i>St Aidan's Congregation</i> )



*Tea, coffee and cold drinks  
are served in The Guild  
Room after both the Sunday  
Masses. All are welcome!*



*Please complete a  
Parish Registration form.  
if you have not done so  
since August 2014. Forms  
are available next to Newsletter  
basket in the porch.*

WEBSITES – PARISH: [www.ourladyschurch-cheshambois.org](http://www.ourladyschurch-cheshambois.org) – SCHOOL: [www.ourladys-bucks-sch.co.uk](http://www.ourladys-bucks-sch.co.uk) – PRIESTLY FRATERNITY OF ST PETER: [www.fssp.org.uk](http://www.fssp.org.uk)



The preminent feast of Advent, is the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary, which we celebrate on Monday. Why do we let this solemnity of Our Lady temporarily overshadow our Advent preparations for the coming of Our Lord?

There is a sort of thematic connection between the Immaculate Conception and Christmas: on a natural level, the conception of the one makes possible the birth of the other. Indeed, his birth explains her Immaculate Conception – not so much the fact that she was conceived as that, at the very same moment, she was preserved from original sin.

Precisely, because she did not bear with her the marks of original sin, Our Lady was able to consent perfectly to God's will, and to prepare herself for his coming. In the season of Advent, when we are all focused on Christ's coming in our own lives, perhaps the Church has given us the Immaculate Conception to inspire us to as virtuous as obedient, as faithful as she, in the face of this newborn Child upon whom depends so much.

"St. Teresa of Avila's Foundation of St. Joseph's – A model for spirituality today?" the Second Advent talk will be given at St. Joseph's Church in Gerrards Cross on Thursday 18th December. Refreshments from 7.30pm. Talk at 8pm. The speaker, Dr. Eddie Howells, is a lecturer in Christian Spirituality at Heythrop College. He will aim to give us an insight into how St. Teresa of Avila's spirituality can help us today. This is part of the St. Joseph's Carmelite celebrations of St. Teresa's 5th Centenary.

**We need Red Poinsettias.** We are asking that each family bring a red poinsetta plant to church on Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> December. We will decorate the sanctuary with these plants for Christmas!

**Conflict, Justice and Peace Eight Film nights**  
– Little Chalfont Community Library 7.15pm for 7.30pm Start: Monday 8<sup>th</sup> December: **The Passion of the Christ**; Monday 15<sup>th</sup> December: **Babette's Feast**. Tea and coffee available or you may like to bring your own bottle of wine and nibbles. Suggested donation £2pp, booking essential – 07775 533954 or email [veronica7th@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:veronica7th@hotmail.co.uk).

## CALL TO THE SACRAMENTS.

We have begun our annual call to the Sacraments – take a leaflet and encourage everyone you know to sign up now! **The call for First Reconciliation (Confession) and First Eucharist (Communion) is now closed.** Preparation materials are on order and we hope will arrive so that we can begin soon.

**Infant Baptism.** There will be a **Preparation Session for parents and godparents**, following Coffee, after 10.00am Mass today, in the **Guild Room** (behind the church).

**Appeal for volunteers to help with Children's Liturgy of the Word during the 10.00am Mass on Sunday. We have an offer of help from someone ... but we need more!** If you would like to help, please speak with Fr Andy.

**Envelopes are available in the porch** should you wish to make a gift donation towards the appeal for a lasting legacy to mark **Father Bernard Davenport's ministry among us**. We hope to use this fund to acquire Communion and Altar vessels.

**Sharing our Faith** – has now begun. We meet again next **Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> December** – in the **Guild Room**. Would you like to know more about our Catholic faith? Perhaps you are not a Catholic and have been wondering what the Church teaches? Or maybe your children are asking questions about our faith that you are finding difficult to answer? These evenings could be for you!



**Second Annual Parish Christmas Dinner at the Boot and Slipper**, 2 Rickmansworth Road, Amersham, HP6 5JN at 7.30pm next **Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> December**. Bookings are now closed.

**Our Lady's Catholic Primary School** are accepting applications for admissions in **September 2015**. Application forms are available in the porch. For further details please contact the school (01494) 726390.

**LUX.adore** is a residential weekend for young people aged 11-18 years (school years 7-13) exploring our Catholic faith with other young Catholics. **6<sup>th</sup> – 8<sup>th</sup> February 2015 at King's Park, Northampton**. Cost is £80. Twice a year young people gather together from across the Diocese of Northampton to participate, learn, pray and have fun. Many of the young people who come cannot wait to return, although there is always room for people who have never been before. See poster, leaflets, [www.nymo.org](http://www.nymo.org) or call 01582 720627.

**2015 Missio calendars** are now available in the porch. If you would like one, you are welcome to take one home. (If you have ordered a calendar, there should be one with your name on it.)

**If you took a Gift Aid declaration form** during the Missio Appeal Weekend **please return it** to the parish for us to return to Missio.

There are **other 2015 Calendars available** in the porch. You are welcome to take these also.

**November Dead** – If you placed a picture of a departed loved one on the altar of the side chapel, please collect it today.