

The Parish of Our Lady of Mount Carmel & St Wilfrid, Selsey

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Sunday 29 November 2020

FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

A Message from Fr Alban:

Dear Brothers and Sisters

May the peace and love of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all. I hope you are all keeping faith despite the challenges of this uncertain time. Happily, it's coming to an end and we pray there will not be more in future.

Today we enter the period of Advent, that wonderful period of preparation for the coming of the Messiah, our Lord Jesus Christ. May the Lord help us to make adequate preparation to receive him.

The lockdown ends on Wednesday 2 December. Instead of the usual opening of the Church from 10-11 for private prayers, we shall be having Adoration and Rosary from 5.30pm and Holy Mass at 6.30pm. Try and come unless you or anyone in your household has any symptoms of covid-19.

There will be Mass on Friday 4 December at 10am and I will hear confessions after Mass.

*Pray for me as I celebrate my **Birthday and Priestly Anniversary** this weekend. Isn't it amazing? Born 28 November and Ordained 29 November. Glorify the Lord with me, brothers and sisters. I had looked to celebrating it with you today; unfortunately it's not possible. Hopefully we shall still do it.*

I am available during this period if for any reason you need to contact me or see me - I am a key worker for the Parish. I am available to offer spiritual, emotional and sacramental support. Remember, my telephone number is 07480 803891.

I will continue to keep you all in my prayers as we get out of this in the next few days.

Let us pray for our sick, housebound and isolated brothers and sisters and most especially for those who face their final journey.

Be assured of my prayers - keep well and keep firm in the Faith!

Your Priest, Father Alban

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No public Masses until Wednesday 2 December

Fr Alban will offer private Masses this week for the following intentions:

Sunday 29 November	Thanksgiving to God for the life and Ministry of Fr Alban Chimezie Aguezeala (by Aguezeala Family)
Monday 30 November	Deceased Members of Purse Family (by Ian Purse)
Tuesday 1 December	Deceased Members of Purse Family (by Ian Purse)

Wednesday 2 December **Adoration and Rosary** 5.30pm. **Mass** at 6.30pm

Friday 4 December **Mass** at 10.00am.
Fr Alban will hear Confessions after Mass

'Advent has a two-fold character: for it is a time of preparation for the Solemnities of Christmas, in which the First Coming of the Son of God to humanity is remembered; and likewise when, by remembrance of this, minds and hearts are led to look forward to Christ's Second Coming at the end of time. For these two reasons, Advent is a period for devout and expectant delight.'

Universal Norms on the Liturgical Year and the Calendar, 39

Join Bishop Richard online from Arundel Cathedral this Advent: Bishop Richard is offering a series of Advent talks from Arundel Cathedral. The programme will run for four weeks, focussing on a number of different themes:

Friday 27 November: Advent - Waiting

Friday 4 December: John the Baptist - Witness

Friday 11 December: Gaudete - Rejoice

Friday 18 December : Mary - Openness

Each evening will begin at 7pm and will be livestreamed. It may be possible to attend the talks in person; please visit the Cathedral website for more information.

The Food Bank: Thank you for your generous donations. Please continue to remember those who are in need. Donations may be left in the Presbytery porch at any time or in the Church porch when the Church is open.

The Selsey Care Shop continues to remain open Monday to Friday 9.00am - 4.00pm, Saturday 9.00am - 1.00pm. Please call if you would like to receive a regular Good Morning telephone call or a copy of the Selsey Senior News. They also offer a range of services and can provide information, support and signpost to other organisations. As a carer of a child, sibling, parent, husband or wife, partner or friend, the Selsey Carers provide a network of friendship and compassion to unpaid Carers and to their loved ones. Selsey Wellbeing Services provide support to people with low level mental health needs. Selsey Money Support provides debt support and form filling and entitlements (benefits). The Care Shop also offers specific support to people with dementia as part of the Selsey Dementia Action Alliance.

Telephone: 01243 201616 www.selseycommunityforum.uk mail@selseycommunityforum.uk

Christmas Lunch; If you know of anyone who would like a Christmas Lunch delivered by one of the Selsey Buddy Elves, please let us know (01243 201616). A hot meal will be delivered straight to their door, with a gift. Selsey Care Shop are also providing hampers to any families who may be in need. Many families are struggling this year, some being on furlough or unemployed due to the virus. Everyone will be able to celebrate some way this year. No-one need go hungry or be lonely.

The Repository Shop is open for Advent Calendars, Christmas Cards and other items. Please note that change cannot be given

The Presbytery Porch: Copies of the latest newsletter are available. Any cash donations or Mass offerings should be put through the letterbox in the Presbytery door.

Please check the parish website - www.stwilfridselsey.co.uk - for the latest updates and pass on any information to parishioners known to you who do not have access to the website.

PLEASE PRAY FOR: Tony Crist, Margaret Dempsey, Joanne Donoghue, Max Foreshow, Magda Gallanti, Angela Goff, Nell Hassett, David Mortby, Cyril Wass and all in the parish who are sick.

ANNIVERSARIES: Please remember all whose anniversaries are about this time.

Collections 22 November

Offertory Collection

£159.05

Church Maintenance

£72.00