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# *Advent & Christmas*

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## **BULLETIN**

### SEASON OF ADVENT

*We wait in joyful hope for the coming of our Saviour Jesus Christ*

#### NOVEMBER 2008

**Sunday 30<sup>th</sup>**      **1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of Advent** – We light **ONE** candle on the Advent wreath.  
**5–6pm Advent Service** led by the clergy.

#### DECEMBER 2008

**Friday 5<sup>th</sup>**      **Christmas Fair** in St Anselm's School Hall 3.00pm (Louisville Road)

**Sunday 7<sup>th</sup>**      **2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Advent** – We light **TWO** candles on the Advent wreath.  
**5–6pm Advent Service** led by the Union of Catholic Mothers.

**Monday 8<sup>th</sup>**      **Feast of the Immaculate Conception**  
Masses 8.00 am and 6.15 pm

**Sunday 14<sup>th</sup>**      **3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Advent – Gaudete Sunday.** We light **THREE** candles on the Advent wreath. **5–6pm Advent Service** led by the Beechcroft Road house group and Friends of the Holy Family

**Thursday 18<sup>th</sup>**      **Senior Citizens' Party** 2.00–4.00 pm St Anselm's School hall entrance (Louisville Road). The children of Year 6 at St Anselm's School invite the senior members of our parish to join them for this happy annual event.

**Thursday 18<sup>th</sup>**      **Parish Penitential Service – 8.00 pm.**

**Saturday 20<sup>th</sup>**      **Parish Christmas Film – 7.30pm Upper New Hall.** Charles Dickens' 'Scrooge' – Classic Christmas favourite 'A Christmas Carol' starring Alistair Sim, Sir Michael Hordern and George Cole.

**Sunday 21<sup>st</sup>**      **4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Advent** – We light **FOUR** candles on the Advent wreath.  
**5–6pm Advent Service** 'The Christmas Story' A play with mime, readings and carols led by **the children of the parish.**

**OUR ADVENT WAITING IS OVER**  
*We enter the Christmas Season*

**Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup>**     **Christmas Eve – 10am**  
**6.15pm The Vigil of Christmas – Family Mass**  
**11.30pm Carols and Readings by Candlelight**  
**Midnight Mass**



**Thursday 25<sup>th</sup>**     **Masses at 8.30am 10.00am (Family Mass) & 11.15 am**  
**PLEASE NOTE – NO EVENING MASS**

**Friday 26<sup>th</sup>**     **St. Stephen – Bank Holiday 10.00am. No evening Mass.**

**Saturday 27<sup>th</sup>**     **St John – 10.00am & 6.15pm Masses.**

**Sunday 28<sup>th</sup>**     **Feast of The Holy Family – Masses 8.30am, 10am, 11.15am & 6.15pm**  
Please join the Friends of the Holy Family at 5.45pm to recite the rosary  
round the crib before Mass

**Monday 29<sup>th</sup>**     Mass 10am. **No evening Mass.**

**Tuesday 30<sup>th</sup>**     Mass 10am. **No evening Mass.**

**Wednesday 31<sup>st</sup>**     Mass 10am. **11pm Holy Hour followed by Midnight Mass**

### **JANUARY 2009**

**Thursday 1<sup>st</sup>**     **New Years Day – Feast of Mary Mother of God**  
Mass 10am Mass. **No evening Mass.**

**Friday 2<sup>nd</sup>**     Mass 10am. **No evening Mass.**

**Saturday 3<sup>rd</sup>**     Mass 10am & 6.15pm (**Vigil Mass of The Epiphany**)



**Sunday 4<sup>th</sup>**     **Feast of the Epiphany**  
Masses 8.30am. 10.00am. 11.15am & 6.15 pm.