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Sunday, 12th December 2021

THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT – YEAR C

Mass Intention: Bernard Branagan RIP

Entrance Hymn: 102

Offertory Hymn: 851

Communion Hymn: 114

Recessional Hymn: 108

Kyrie: M13

Gloria: None

Sanctus: M39

Acclamation: M40

Great Amen: Plainchant

Agnus Dei: M20

The obligation for the faithful to attend Holy Mass on a Sunday or Holy Day of Obligation has been reinstated. Pastoral consideration for the vulnerable and those isolating is imperative and appropriate dispensations remain in place for them.

WELCOME EVERYONE

Please observe sensible precautions when entering and leaving the Cathedral by sanitising your hands, as well as leaving at least one seat between yourself and your household and another person or household. **Face coverings are mandatory (unless exempt) for services, but not when consuming refreshments afterwards.**

For our celebration today you will require a Mass Sheet, a hymn book and a copy of any Mass Settings that we are using, all of which are available from the Welcome Team.

The children will go to their liturgy with the Catechetical Team following the introduction to the Mass and return at the offertory. After Mass refreshments are served at the back of the Cathedral.

MINISTRIES TODAY

Welcome Team: Mrs M Casey; Mrs L McMahon;
Mrs C Pritchard; Mrs N Francis-Crerar
Readers: Mr C Kamwenje; Mr C Endean
Children's Liturgy Lead: Mrs P Ryan

THIS WEEK

The Cathedral is open every weekday from **1000hrs to 1600hrs**

Mon 13th Dec: *St Lucy, virgin, martyr*

Tue 14th Dec: *St John of the Cross, priest, doctor*
1830hrs – Holy Mass (broadcast via Zoom)
Refugees and migrants

Wed 15th Dec: *Feria of Advent, Week 3, Year II*
1145hrs – Midday Prayer: Psalter Week III
1200hrs – Holy Mass (broadcast via Zoom)
Cheryl Prince RIP

Thu 16th Dec: *Feria of Advent, Week 3, Year II*

Fri 17th Dec: *Feria of Advent, Week 3, Year II*
1400hrs - Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
1545hrs - Holy Communion outside Mass

NEXT SUNDAY

Welcome Team: Mrs M Casey; Mrs L McMahon
Readers: Mrs S Cole; Col P Rossiter
Children's Liturgy Lead: Mrs Y Spreadborough

PRAYER INTENTIONS

Please keep the members of our Armed Forces, their families and all support staff, in your personal intercessions.

ADVENT COURSE

The third session of our course is at 1900hrs, preceded by Mass at 1830hrs, this Tuesday, 14th December. Everyone is welcome.

LIVESTREAMING LITURGIES

Sunday's Mass Zoom Invitation details - ID: 862 2006 1596
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86220061596?pwd=ZlBoblphdVpwSnIYSld2bEZ5dWdRZz09> Passcode: 919762

Tuesday's Mass Zoom Invitation details – ID: 886 7069 8991
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88670698991?pwd=dy9TNWNpChVXSfVdTndjdFY2UDdMdz09> Passcode: 321858

Wednesday's Mass Zoom Invitation details – ID: 826 5038 3186
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82650383186?pwd=MG5uL2kxZTlSTVd4Nk9PLzNRamxIUT09> Passcode: 829749

TEACHING POINT

Gaudete Sunday is a counterpart to Laetare Sunday (Fourth Sunday of Lent), and provides a similar break through a season which is otherwise of a penitential character. The day takes its common name from the Latin word Gaudete ('Rejoice'), the first word of the introit of today's Mass. The spirit of the liturgy all through Advent is one of expectation and preparation for the feast of Christmas, as well as for the second coming of Christ, and the penitential exercises suitable to that spirit are, on Gaudete Sunday, suspended, as it were, for a while in order to symbolize that joy and gladness in the promised Redemption. On Gaudete Sunday rose-coloured vestments may be worn instead of violet.

FUNDRAISING OPPORTUNITY

Tickets are now on sale at £5 each for our annual Super Raffle. The draw will take place after Mass next Sunday, 19th December.

AUTUMN CLEAN

Please add your name to the list at the back of church to join us this Tuesday, 14th December from 1000hrs for our annual session of preparing the Cathedral for the Christmas celebrations.

CELEBRATING TOGETHER

Next Sunday, 19th December at 1800hrs the Cathedral will host the Garrison Churches Carol Service. All are welcome.

SPIRITUAL INVITATION

The ADoRE programme continues next Saturday, 18th December with an online hour of Praise. Details are on the noticeboard and registration may be made at: bit.ly/ADOREDEC2021

AND FINALLY ...

... one of the greatest diseases is to be nobody to anybody.

With every blessing
Fr Nick