



Holy Apostles and Martyrs Parish

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Christmas Masses - there will be four Masses at Christmas – two at 6.00pm and 8.00pm on Christmas Eve and two on Christmas morning at 9.30am and 11.00am.

Important please note - as it will be impossible to celebrate our traditional children's Mass Fr Phil is going to record a special children's Mass and you will be able to view this on the parish website <https://holypostlesandmartyrs.org> on Christmas Eve.

As we have to ensure that we do not go over the maximum number permitted at each Mass we have asked people to register with details of the number of people in their household or bubble and which Mass they wish to attend.

Please note that we have reached the maximum number for the 6pm Mass. There are a small number of places still available for the 8pm & 11am Masses and currently 33 places available for the 9.30am Mass.

If you would like to book a place please email your request to ham.parishadmn@gmail.com or if you are in church for Mass please give your details to one of the stewards.

Stewards will be on duty at all the Masses and they will show you to the seats allocated to you. So we can accommodate everyone it might mean that you will not be able to sit where you normally do in church. As usual face coverings must be worn, social distancing must be maintained at all times and you will be asked to sanitise your hands when entering and leaving.

ADVENT APPEAL for Foodbank - The Foodbank does not need specific Christmas donations but are currently short of the following: **tinned fish, meat and rice pudding. Tea, coffee, sugar** (small if possible), **juice, toothbrushes & toothpaste.** Many thanks for your continued support.

Wirral Speaks on Climate Change (new) - This important free meeting on **Friday 11th December 7-9pm**, gives us the opportunity to listen and question our MPs, council, public health and local organisations about the action needed to avert climate disaster. Please sign up here [Wirral Speaks on Climate Change. Hear the experts and take action. Tickets, Fri 11 Dec 2020 at 19:00 | Eventbrite](#)

Mass celebrated again from this week – following the end of the latest period of lockdown, public Mass is now being celebrated again in our Church at the normal Mass times, which is great news. COVID-19 security restrictions remain in place, please remember - **Hands – Face - Space**

FRIENDS OF THE HOLY LAND CHRISTMAS APPEAL 2020

Please donate at www.friendsoftheholylan.org.uk - as we approach Christmas and our thoughts turn to Bethlehem, we thank you for your generosity and prayers.

6th December 2020
2nd Sunday of Advent
Year B

Psalter Week II

First Reading
Isaiah 40: 1-5, 9-11

Response to Psalm 84

Let us see, O Lord, your mercy and give us your saving help

Second Reading
2 Peter 3: 8-14

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia! Prepare a way for the Lord, make his paths straight, and all humankind shall see the salvation of God. Alleluia!

Gospel
Mark 1: 1-8

Please pray for the sick, housebound and all those self-isolating in our parish. May the Lord in his love & mercy help them through the grace of the Holy Spirit.

Rest in Peace

Please remember in your prayers **James Rathbone, Albert Maguire, Mary McDonalds** and all those who have died recently and those whose anniversaries occur around this time.



Social Media

Twitter: @HamParish

Facebook Page: Holy
Apostles Catholic Parish

Church Garden - With

lockdown restrictions easing we are able to meet in groups of 6 from 1.30-3.30 on Monday and Wednesday, weather permitting. please contact Anne on 07910 960316 to book or check details. We are ready to plant our beech hedge and create new leaf bays this week.

Diocesan Year Books –

available this weekend price £5

Mass cards The cards are available in church but not on display. Please ask a steward to select a card for you and then place your payment in the box on the wall at the back of church. Cards are either £1 or 50p.

The SVP assist anyone who would like a visit at home or who needs practical help. Please contact us, email: svphelpine@gmail.com or ring our confidential phone number 07563966654 and we will get back to you as soon as possible.

Online giving to the Parish –

An online donation facility to enable you to give to the Parish has been added to the Parish website. Please be aware that the minimum donation is £5 and you can Gift Aid your donation, please tick the box shown on the screen even if you have previously completed a Gift Aid Declaration form in favour of the Parish.

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Mass Times and Intentions

Saturday **6.00pm** (Intentions of McGrath Family)

Sunday **9.30am** (People of the Parish)
11.00am (Marion McKean)

Monday **9.30am** (Kevin Ford)

Tuesday ***10.30am (Requiem – James Rathbone)**
6.45pm (Kathryn Conway)

Wednesday **9.30am** (Marion McKean)

Thursday **9.30am** (Luis Robles)

Friday **9.30am** (Joan Jones)

Saturday **6.00pm** (Jim Rathbone)

Sunday **9.30am** (People of the Parish)
11.00am (Tina Robimson)

**Restricted numbers, family & invited guests only*

Fairtrade and Chocolate Gifts - Please send your orders in to Anne on 07910960316 by 7th December. Delivery or collection can be arranged. Catalogues are in church or on this link: <https://www.traidcraftshop.co.uk/> If you need cards quickly we have stock of last year's cards available at reduced prices. As we have been unable to sell chocolate each week, we have made up delicious selections of gift wrapped Divine Fairtrade chocolate bars: Dark or Milk selections of 5 large bars @ £9; Selection of 5 small mixed milk, white and dark bars @ £3.75. We need to clear this stock and you'll get a sustainable #fairtrade gift.

A Live Simply parish initiative - We need your used postage stamps! Reduce waste, recycle old stamps and support Reaching the Unreached: - <https://www.rtu.org.uk>. Start harvesting stamps from your post, particularly over the Christmas Season. Carefully remove excess paper, leaving approx. 1cm around the stamp. There is a Reaching the Unreached collection box for your stamps at the back of the church. Please place your stamps in the box as you are coming into church if possible. We'll also take any used stamps you have already collected. All stamps will be sent to Reaching the Unreached. Please call or text Claire Hetherington on 07948 727504 if you have any questions. Many Thanks.

CAFOD World Gifts - World Gifts are CAFOD's range of virtual gifts that make a real difference to families living in poverty across the world. **Christmas is coming! But how can you find unusual charity presents for your friends and family that make a difference to people living in poverty?** Buying a World Gift is the perfect solution. World Gifts are CAFOD's range of virtual gifts that make a real difference to families living in poverty across the world. For each gift you buy this Christmas, you'll receive a beautiful gift card to pass on to your loved one. please pick up a catalogue from church or apply online. Gifts vary from just £4 for a Happy Queen Bee gift to £4000 for a health clinic, so you can buy individually, as a family or fundraise as a group.
