

Second Sunday of Advent – 4 December



Sunday 4 December

5pm Confessions. 5.30pm Mass,
followed by refreshments

Monday 5 December

Tuesday 6 December St Nicholas
1pm Mass

Wednesday 7 December St Ambrose
5-6pm Holy Hour with Evening Prayer

Thursday 8 December Solemnity of
the Immaculate Conception of Mary

12pm Holy Hour with Rosary. 1pm Mass.

Friday 9 December St Juan Diego

Saturday 10 December

If you need to see Fr Philip at any time, please do not hesitate to contact him on 01524 594080 or you can try him at St Joseph's parish on 01524 32493 or email p.conner@lancaster.ac.uk – always happy to meet up if you need some help or counsel.

Reconciliation Service. We are entering now into Advent, a time to prepare for the coming of the Lord. Part of the preparation is to get our own house in order. The sacrament of Confession is a gift, an opportunity to encounter the mercy of God and to renew our lives and to prepare our hearts for Christmas. There is nothing which cannot be forgiven. Today, at the end of Mass, there will be some priests available to hear confessions.

CathSoc executive meeting for committee members on Tues. 6 December at 1.30 in the Catholic Flat.

Soulfood. *O Come, O Come, Emmanuel.* This week we will be exploring Advent and the longing of Man for salvation. We meet in the Catholic Flat at 7-8.30pm for time together, a short presentation and then discussion. All welcome, refreshments available.

Breakfast Club this week at 8am on Thursday. This is an initiative organised by the students, beginning with the Divine Mercy prayer in the chapel at 8am followed by cooked breakfast. Guaranteed to start the day off well and get to lectures on time!

CathSoc Christmas Meal on Wednesday 14 December at 7pm. This is a meal of all nations, a shared meal in which everyone brings something from their own country. There is a sign-up sheet at the back of the chapel for those who would like to come. It would be helpful to know what you might bring too.

University Carol Service in the Chaplaincy Centre on Monday 12 December at 6.30pm. We need one volunteer from the Catholic Community to do one of the Readings at this beautiful event. Anyone willing?

Christmas. The last Mass of term in the Chaplaincy Centre will be on Sunday 18 December, resuming on Sunday 8 January. Please can you let Fr Philip know if you are on campus for Christmas so that we can arrange transport for Christmas Mass. On this special day, we don't want anyone to be left out or unable to get to Mass.

Youth 2000 Retreat over New Year in London, 29 December – 1 January. A 4-day youth Retreat with hundreds of other young people, with engaging talks, lively music, workshops, discussions, powerful prayer times, and evening entertainment: the best way to bring in the New Year. You can come to part or all of the Retreat. The event is donation only and takes place within a few minutes' walk of Euston Train Station. See Fr Philip and www.youth2000.org

Catholic Parliamentary & Public Policy Internships 2017-18. The Bishops Conference are looking for 9 Catholic graduates to work for 11 months from Sept 2017 in Parliamentary, Media & Communications, and Social Action posts. All accommodation, travel and living costs covered: www.faithinpolitics.org.uk, closing date 10.02.17.

Monastic Experience Weekend, an invitation to spend the weekend living with a monastic community and their life of prayer and hospitality at Hyning Hall, the weekend of 27-29 January. Contact Sr Mary Bernard on hyningbookings@yahoo.co.uk Whilst this would be an excellent opportunity for anyone discerning a vocation, the sisters are keen to emphasise that the opportunity is for anyone who would like to get an insight into monastic life.