



## Message from Fr Philip

Advent and Christmas are very important times in the life of the Church. As we think about the journey of Mary and Joseph to Bethlehem we contemplate our own journeys through life. This year as we continue to emerge from the pandemic we think particularly about home. What does it mean to journey home and to be at home? Home is not just about buildings rather it is about community, it is about those with whom we build and share our lives. The Church is very much a home, it is a place that no matter how far we journey away from calls us back for succour and refreshment. This is particularly true during Advent and at Christmas. I hope that you will accept this invitation from me and from the parochial church council to join us at home during this season. On the following pages you will find posters for some of the events taking place in the coming weeks. There are a wide range of events from Gospel Carol Services, outdoor carol singing, and more traditional carol services to attend. We are trying to offer a wide range of styles and events to help each person to engage with the pilgrim journey which culminates with the great Feast of Christmas. On Sundays during Advent Masses will be offered at the following times:

9.30am Parish Mass at St Michael's

11am Parish Mass at All Saints

11.30am Tagalog Mass at St Michael's

On Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> December after Mass at All Saints there will be an opportunity to learn about the phenomenon of Medieval Mystery Plays which told the story of Christmas in a vivid and exciting way. On Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup>, 14<sup>th</sup> and 21<sup>st</sup> December after the 10am Mass there will be a short time of study looking at the musical work Handel's Messiah. I hope you will feel able to join us for some of this preparatory work.

On Advent Sunday we will distribute Advent Calendars to our young people. In this booklet you will find a 'Reverse Advent Calendar' to help support our Foodbank. Simply collect as much or as little as you are able on the days of Advent to help those in need. We will also be

carol singing for residents in St Charles Hospital and visitors to the Pepper Pot Centre to bring something of Christmas home to them.

This season of preparation ends with the celebration of Christmas and I do hope you will find your way home to Mass over this great Feast and join Jesus, Mary and Joseph at the Crib. Our Christmas Masses:

**Christmas Eve**

**6pm Vigil Mass at St Michael's**

**7pm Vigil Mass at All Saints**

**11.30pm Midnight Mass at All Saints**



**Christmas Day**

**9.30am Parish Mass at St Michael's**

**11am Parish Mass at All Saints**

**11.30am Tagalog Mass at St Michaels'**

It only remains for me to wish you all health and happiness in this season, and I look forward to seeing you all. May God bless you,

**Fr Philip**

*ALMIGHTY God, give us grace that we may cast away the works of darkness, and put upon us the armour of light, now in the time of this mortal life, in which thy Son Jesus Christ came to visit us in great humility; that in the last day, when he shall come again in his glorious Majesty, to judge both the quick and the dead, we may rise to the life immortal; through him who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Ghost, now and ever. Amen.*



**ALL SAINTS CHURCH  
CLYDESDALE ROAD W11 1JE**

**GOSPEL  
CAROL  
SERVICE**



**A FAMILY CAROL SERVICE  
WITH THE LONDON  
INTERNATIONAL GOSPEL  
CHOIR**

**THURSDAY 2<sup>ND</sup> DECEMBER  
7.30PM**

**FREE ENTRY!**

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# **COMMUNITY CAROL SINGING**



**SUNDAY 5<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER 5PM  
SUNDAY 19<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER 5PM**

**JOIN US FOR 30 MINUTES OF  
CAROL SINGING AROUND  
THE OUTSIDE CRIB.**

**ALL WELCOME!**

All Saints' Notting Hill

# CHRISTMAS FAIR



**SATURDAY 11<sup>th</sup> DECEMBER**

**11AM-3PM**

**CAROL SINGING, CHRISTMAS  
STALLS, CRAFTS, MULLED WINE,  
MINCE PIES, VINTAGE ITEMS,  
CAKES, AND LOTS MORE!**

All Saints' Church, Clydesdale Road W11 1JE

Your local church just a minutes walk from Portabello Road!

**ST MICHAEL'S CHURCH  
LADBROKE GROVE**

**COMMUNITY  
CAROL  
SINGING**



**SUNDAY 12<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER  
5PM**

**JOIN US FOR 30 MINUTES OF  
CAROL SINGING AROUND  
THE OUTSIDE CRIB.**

**ALL WELCOME!**

ALL SAINTS NOTTING HILL  
CLYDESDALE ROAD W11 1JE - JUST OFF THE PORTOBELLO ROAD

# CHRISTMAS CAROL SERVICE



FRIDAY 17<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER  
7PM

TRADITIONAL CAROLS WITH CHOIR  
FOR ALL THE FAMILY!

FOLLOWED BY MULLED WINE AND  
MINCE PIES



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*Merry*   
*Christmas* 

## **ALL SAINTS FOODBANK**

# **REVERSE ADVENT CALENDAR**

Each day add an item to a box or bag, and on Christmas Eve (or at the end of the month) bring it to the Foodbank

Donate as few or as many items as you are able

- 1<sup>st</sup> December** tinned tuna
- 2<sup>nd</sup> December** UHT milk
- 3<sup>rd</sup> December** instant coffee
- 4<sup>th</sup> December** tea bags
- 5<sup>th</sup> December** corned beef
- 6<sup>th</sup> December** tinned soup
- 7<sup>th</sup> December** baked beans
- 8<sup>th</sup> December** tinned fruit
- 9<sup>th</sup> December** packet of cereal
- 10<sup>th</sup> December** jar of jam
- 11<sup>th</sup> December** shower gel
- 12<sup>th</sup> December** tin of chickpeas
- 13<sup>th</sup> December** tin of rice pudding
- 14<sup>th</sup> December** tin of kidney beans
- 15<sup>th</sup> December** pasta
- 16<sup>th</sup> December** jar of pasta sauce
- 17<sup>th</sup> December** tinned tomatoes
- 18<sup>th</sup> December** tinned hotdogs
- 19<sup>th</sup> December** tinned meatballs
- 20<sup>th</sup> December** tinned carrots
- 21<sup>st</sup> December** tinned peas
- 22<sup>nd</sup> December** bar of chocolate
- 23<sup>rd</sup> December** bag of rice
- 24<sup>th</sup> December** toothpaste

