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Sunday, 15th December 2024
THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT – YEAR C
1100hrs Mass Intention: Confirmation Candidates
Preface Advent I Eucharistic Prayer II

Entrance Hymn: 102			
Offertory Hymn: 302	Kyrie: New People's Mass	Acclamation: New People's Mass (A)	
Communion Hymn: 303	Gloria: None	Great Amen: Plainchant	
Recessional Hymn: 92	Sanctus: New People's Mass	Agnus Dei: New People's Mass	

WELCOME EVERYONE

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.
 Children over four years old are invited to go to their liturgy with the Catechetical Team following the introduction to the Mass and return at the offertory. Activity bags, containing appropriate books and other materials, hanging on the chairs at the back of church may be borrowed to keep children engaged during Mass. Please replace them after use and before leaving the building.
 After Mass refreshments are served at the back of church.

MINISTRIES TODAY

Welcome Team: Mrs L McMahan; Mrs M Ferrie
Readers: Mrs S Cole; Mr C Endean
Children's Liturgy Lead: Mrs R Nash

THIS WEEK

The Cathedral is open every working day from **1000hrs - 1600hrs**
 Mon 16th Dec: *Feria of Advent, Week 3, Year I*
 Tue 17th Dec: *Feria of Advent, Week 3, Year I*
 Wed 18th Dec: *Feria of Advent, Week 3, Year I*
 1145hrs – Midday Prayer (Psalter Week III)
 1200hrs – Holy Mass (Zoom available)
Patrick Casey RIP
 Thu 19th Dec: *Feria of Advent, Week 3, Year I*
 Fri 20th Dec: *Feria of Advent, Week 3, Year I*
 1400hrs – Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
 1545hrs – Holy Communion outside of Mass

NEXT SUNDAY

Welcome Team: Mrs O Beattie; Mrs E Allen
Readers: Col P Rossiter; Mrs O Beattie
Children's Liturgy Lead: Mrs Y Spreadborough

PRAYER INTENTIONS

Please keep the members of our Armed Forces, their families and all support staff, together with all preparing to receive the sacraments of initiation at this time, in your personal intercessions.

SACRAMENTAL CELEBRATION

Bishop Paul will Receive into Full Communion with the Catholic Church at Mass today Hannah, Lucy and Michelle and confer the Sacrament of Confirmation on them together with Annabelle, Charlie and Jack. We welcome their families and friends as we join our prayers with theirs for our brothers and sisters who have been under Instruction in the Faith for the past few months.

LIVESTREAMING LITURGIES

Sunday's Mass Zoom details – ID: 881 7813 3001
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88178133001?pwd=xjv74e1BeLqyOoDlgjOzH8QfXNJJhH.1> Passcode: 910880
 Sunday's Carol Service Zoom details – ID: 878 4739 8916
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87847398916?pwd=EMn3byKsXtmZw8Ym0Ago2ewFj0RJLm.1> Passcode: 562397
 Wednesday's Mass Zoom details – ID: 828 3482 7536
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82834827536?pwd=6jrxsKjFZMib0cXdlGyL6aoQFbtLB9.1> Passcode: 236542

TODAY'S COMMEMORATION

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.

CHARITABLE FUNDRAISING

Our annual Christmas Raffle prizes are now on show and tickets on sale with the draw taking place next Sunday, 22nd December.

ECUMENICAL GATHERING

For some time now the Combined Choirs of the Royal Military Academy Sandhurst, the Garrison Church of St Andrew, the Royal Garrison Church of All Saints and our own of the Garrison Church of St Michael & St George have been in rehearsal for the Advent Carol Service which will be celebrated today at 1800hrs here in the Cathedral. Entrance is free and all are welcome.

DIVINE INTERVENTION

The 71st official miracle to have happened in Lourdes, and the first person from England, has been officially declared in the case of John (Jack) Traynor by Archbishop Malcolm McMahan OP, Archbishop of Liverpool. Further details are available at: www.indcatholicnews.com/news/51273

AND FINALLY ...

... everyone has the right to be stupid, but some abuse the privilege.
With every blessing
Fr Nick