

# NEWSLETTER

## SATURDAY 13<sup>th</sup> to Friday 19<sup>th</sup> December 2025

### Third Sunday of Advent

### **HOLY REDEEMER CATHOLIC CHURCH**

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	<b>HOLY REDEEMER HIGHCLIFFE</b>		<b>St JOSEPH'S CHRISTCHURCH</b>
<b>Sun 14<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>11am Mass</b> <b>3pm Advent Service</b> and Children's Nativity	<b>Sat 13<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>5pm Mass</b> confession from 4pm Eileen Curtis RIP
<b>Mon 15<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>10am-2pm</b> Adoration No adoration Tuesday	<b>Sun 14<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>9am Mass</b> Benno Dieler RIP
<b>Thur 18<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>10am Mass</b> with confession Bridget O'Brien RIP	<b>Mon 15<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>11am Rosary</b>
<b>Fri 19<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>9.45am Rosary</b> <b>10am Mass</b> followed by refreshments	<b>Tues 16<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>9.30am-10.30am</b> Holy Hour and morning prayer <b>6.30pm Mass</b>
		<b>Wed 17<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>9.30-10am</b> Adoration <b>10am Mass</b> Kathleen Mackey RIP
		<b>Thur 18<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>7pm Reconciliation Service</b>

**PRIVATE PRAYER HIGHCLIFFE 10AM-2PM**

**CHRISTCHURCH Tues-Fri 9.30AM-4.30PM**

**PSALM** *Come, Lord, and save us.*

**ANNIVERSARIES** Agnes Mott, Rhoda Kelly, James Gibson, Mary Bond, Dick Miller, Wieslaw Pulczynski, Mary Parnell, Alphonsus Brown, Percy Binyon, Rosa Dimitriou, Tom Flynn, Audrey Farrant and Ann Davis.

**REPOSITORY** There will be Christmas cards and items on sale after Mass.

**JUBILEE YEAR** The close of The Jubilee Year of Hope will be on the 6th January at 6.30pm, feast of The Epiphany, with Holy Hour and a Benediction for World Peace

**CHRISTMAS SERVICES TIMES** are now showing on the noticeboard in the church porch.

**HOLY REDEEMER ADVENT LITURGY WITH CAROLS AND CHILDREN'S NATIVITY** This Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> at 3pm. All are welcome, please come along and support this event.

**NOT QUITE 100 CLUB** The winners for this month were numbers 61 and 57 Jenny W and Peter C. Congratulations.

**CELEBRATING ADVENT.** Tuesday evening gatherings, from 7.30-9.00 pm, in St Joseph's Parish Centre. [Refreshments will be available from 7pm.] The session will focus on the readings of the

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following Sunday, with opportunities for silent reflection, sharing in groups and prayer. This is not a course or series of talks, and you do not have to sign up beforehand. The final date is Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> December.

**SAVE THE DATE** Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> January, Homegrown Parish Party, more details to follow.

#### FRIENDSHIP GROUPS - ALL HELD IN THE ANNEX

**Knit and Natter.** Sessions take place on Wednesday afternoons, 2-4pm. The session on 17th December will NOT be held in the annex. Please see Yvonne Walker or Jan Walker for details. No sessions will take place on 24th December or 31st December. From 7th January onwards sessions will be held in the annex as usual.

**LIVING WITH DEMENTIA** St Joseph's Christchurch are hosting a talk called "Living with Dementia – a Christian Perspective" by Karen Martin, author of Memorable Loss: 'A Story of Friendship in the Face of Dementia' and an excellent and experienced speaker: Saturday 7th February, 2-3 pm, followed by refreshments.

**PARISH GIVING** Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> Envelopes £88, loose £228. Thank you for your generosity. Online donations can also be made by bank transfer, Standing Order or Direct Debit to account number 00879968, sort code 30 93 04, CDP Highcliff. **CHRISTMAS GIVING ONLINE**

<https://donate.giveasyoulive.com/fundraising/highcliff-holy-redeemer-catholic-parish-christmas-collection-2025>

**KNOCK PILGRIMAGE** Escorted Tour to Westport, Knock & Co Mayo, 08<sup>th</sup> March 2026. £899.00 pps. Price includes flight from Heathrow or Luton, 10kg hold luggage, 5 nights in 4\* Castlecourt Hotel, Westport with Dinner, Bed & Breakfast. Full use of leisure facilities. All entertainment, excursions and transport included. Visit Knock Shrine, Ballintubber Abbey, Fr. Peyton Centre & Kylemore Abbey. Irish music nightly. Single supplement on enquiry. Contact 01268 762 278 or 07740 175557 or email [knockpilgrimages@gmail.com](mailto:knockpilgrimages@gmail.com)

**CHRISTCHURCH FOODBANK+** Thank you for all those who have brought in 'Reverse Advent boxes/bags' we are truly blessed by our community. Our needs are UHT Milk cartons, fruit squash/juice, tinned carrots and sweetcorn and tinned pies. **ALSO**, Drivers needed: We are delivering Full Turkey dinners and goodie Hampers out to those in our communities identified by local authorities on Monday Dec 22nd 12-2pm, call 07587371088 or email [admin@christchurchfb.faith-works.org.uk](mailto:admin@christchurchfb.faith-works.org.uk).