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**15th DECEMBER 2024 – YEAR C**

**THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT**

**GAUDETE SUNDAY**

**PREFACE:** Advent 2

**EUCHARISTIC PRAYER**: Number 1

**MYSTERY OF FAITH:** Save us, Saviour of the World …

**Sat:** 6:30pm - Charles Andrew Boyce RIP (1stAnniversary)

**Sun:** 10:00am - Criss, Maura Kissane, Paudrig, Annette, Leanne & family intention

**Tue:** 10:00am - Lily Riddle RIP

**Wed:** 7:00pm - Phyllis Mc Donald RIP

**Thu:** 10:00am - Poor Souls in Purgatory

**Fri:** 12 noon - Special Intention

**Sat:** 6:30pm - People of St Peter’s living & deceased

**Sun:** 10:00am - Charles Andrew Boyce RIP (1stAnniversary)

Rosary: Wednesday 6:30pm

Holy Hour, Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and

Confession: Friday 11am

**Please pray for those whose anniversaries occur at this time:** E. Savickis, Teodor Mikolajewicz, Marii Mikolajewicz, Catherine Richardson, Henry Page, John Vickers, William Barr, Edgar Hazell, Robert Coton, Margaret Hyland, Catherine Whetten, Charles Boyce, Ethan St. John-Dickenson, Henryka Kusek, Margaret Ward, Mariola Hejna, Peter Barnet, Clare Shaw and Gordon Bradshaw.

**Please Remember in Prayer**

Els, Ivan, Mattea, Anabelle, Eileen Bishop, Ian K, Sam, Sophie, Lewis, Nathan, Yvonne, the Allen family, Nick, Alan, Geoff, Clare, Anthony, Michael, Teresa & family, Wayne & family, the Cudone family, Clare, Diana, Jan, the Collett family, the Boothby family, Josh & family, Hellen & family, Alice, Teresa & family, Frances, Takudgwa, Jacquie & Tapina, Kathy, John, Sally, Patsy, Matthew & family and Kenneth Bailey.

**OFFERTORY:** Last week’s collection amounted to £417.64. Thank you very much.

**CHILDREN’S LITURGY:** Is available to all children age 5-9 years old at the 10am Mass. We invite the children to come out to the hall/lounge after the entrance hymn and we return them at the Offertory.

**CHRISTMAS CAROL SERVICE:** You are warmly invited to our Christmas Carol Service in Church on Sunday December 15th at 4pm. So come and celebrate the Nativity of the Lord Jesus Christ in Carols and Scripture readings. Afterwards, join us for festive refreshments in the Parish Hall.

**DECORATION OF THE CHURCH:** For Christmas will take place on Thursday December 19th after the 10am Mass. All offers of help will be greatly appreciated.

**ROSARY**: There will be no Rosary on December 25th 2024 but there will be the Flame of Love Rosary on Wednesday January 1st 2025.

**DONATION STATION**: Thank you for your patience; the donation station is up and running again.

**CHRISTMAS CONFESSIONS:** To allow everyone to prepare for Christmas, Confession will be available at the following times this week:

Wednesday: 6-7pm

Thursday 9-10am

Friday 11am-12noon as usual

Saturday 11am onwards

**CANDIDATES FOR CONFIRMATION 2025:** Information will be coming soon.

**BLAZE 2025:** This is an event for the confirmandi in the diocese to have the opportunity to meet Bishop David before the day of their confirmation and to reflect on what the Holy Spirit can do in our lives. It will be held on

Saturday March 1st 2025 at Thomas Becket RC High School, Northampton from 11am-4pm. The cost for the day per person (catechists and confirmandi) will be £13 and we would ask for both catechists and confirmandi to bring their own packed lunch for the day. Refreshments will be available. Bookings are offered on a first come, first served basis at [www.nymo.org](www.nymo.org%20). The format remains the same with group time together, workshops and Mass with Bishop David to close the day. Confessions will also be available for the young people.

**FOODBANK DONATIONS:** There is a comprehensive list of requested items at the back of Church (including tinned foods & household goods). Please keep the donations coming, as stocks are running low and demand is increasing more and more. Thanks to everyone for all the donations, both of goods and money!

**PARISH DATABASE WITH CASPAR:** Thank you to those that have already signed up to Caspar. If you would like to be included in the new St Peter’s parish database you can do this by using the QR code or typing [www.caspar.church/me?ID=56077](http://www.caspar.church/me?ID=56077) into an internet browser. If you are not confident to use the internet the parish office can help between Tuesdays to Thursdays 10am - 2pm.

**THE JUBILEE:** A free booklet is available at the back of Church.

**CHRISTMAS MASSES**

**Christmas Eve:** Tuesday December 24th

6:00pm Vigil Mass (family Mass with blessing the children)

10pm Polish Mass (**Pasterka**)

11:30pm Carols

12:00 Midnight Mass

**Christmas Day:** Wednesday December 25th

10:00am Christmas Day Mass

**Seeing your Life through the Lens of the Gospel**

 ‘What should we do?’ The common thread in John’s answers was to encourage his questioners to be other-centred rather than self-centred, each in the context of their own circumstances*. In your experience what difference has it made for you when you changed your attitude in this way?*