

# NEWSLETTER: ST MARGARET OF SCOTLAND CHURCH, LUTON

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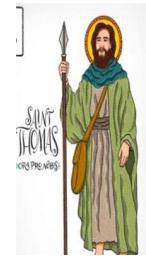
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## 21<sup>st</sup> December 2025 - FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT - YEAR A

Date/Time	Celebration/Saint of the Day	Intentions	
<b>ST THOMAS</b> Sat 20th	<b>FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT (The Vigil)</b>	17.00	David Hutchinson (RIP) Harold and Patricia Bourne (RIP) Peter Blessing (RIP Bday Rem)
Sun 21st	<b>FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT</b>	09.00	Gopal Chakrabarti (RIP) Dermot Perera (RIP)
		11.00	Bishop David Oakley (P.INT)
Mon 22nd	<b>Feria</b>	09.00	Anne O'Neill (RIP)
Tues 23rd	<b>Feria</b>	09.00	Holy Souls
Wed 24 <sup>th</sup> St Thomas	<b>CHRISTMAS VIGIL MASS</b>	17.00	Bridie Deery Vera & Jerry Devereux (P.INT) Sarah Thomas-Crampton (RIP)
Wed 24 <sup>th</sup> St Margaret	<b>CAROLS/MIDNIGHT MASS</b>	19.30-20.00 (Carols) 20.00	Missa Pro Populo
Thurs 25th	<b>THE NATIVITY OF JESUS</b>	09.00	Eily & Micheal O'Brien and family Maria Aitken (P. INTS)
		11.00	Robert Kell (RIP) Breda Carey (RIP)
Fri 26th	<b>NO PUBLIC MASS TODAY</b>	**	
<b>ST THOMAS</b> Sat 27th	<b>HOLY FAMILY-JESUS, MARY &amp; JOSEPH (The Vigil)</b>	17.00	Chris & Dick Kennedy (RIP) David Hutchinson (RIP)
Sun 28th	<b>HOLY FAMILY-JESUS, MARY &amp; JOSEPH</b>	09.00	Kathleen Kelleher (P.INT) Missa Pro Populo
		11.00	Gregory Baldwin (RIP)

**ADVENT REFLECTION:** Having to wait is a common aspect of life that many of us dislike. On this fourth Sunday of Advent the readings of our Liturgy emphasise a meaningful way to wait: by praying and trusting in God's constant presence as well as listening to God after sharing our needs; by remaining in a state of grace; by being grateful for the grace and peace found in our relationship with Jesus and by treating others with honour and practicing mercy to enrich our waiting experience.

**YOUR CHRISTMAS OFFERING:** Envelopes are available in the foyer for your Christmas Offering. Your offerings are your thanksgiving to God. Customarily, your Christmas offering will go to the Parish Clergy in appreciation of the services they provide and Fr Ugochukwu will appreciate your generosity.

**FROM FR UGOCHUKWU:** Brothers and Sisters, Christmas greetings to you all. As we celebrate the Feast of God's Incarnation – (Emmanuel) God's presence among us- we have a lot to be thankful for. As we draw closer to the end of the year, my thoughts go back to what we have all experienced together as a faith community. I think of the Liturgies we have celebrated; the listening and discernment process we have all participated while reflecting on our lives as Catholics in Luton; our pilgrimage as people of hope to Northampton Cathedral; the charities we supported and all that God has seen us through as individuals and families. We give thanks. This Christmas let us continue to be aware of God's love and care for us. To one and to all I say Merry Christmas.

**SUPPORT OUR CHURCH:** Please donate in the church collection basket or by: Standing Order (NatWest Bank S/C: 60-06-11 A/c No: 91052351 St Margaret's Parish, Luton); website: <https://stmargaretsparish.co.uk/donate> You can use the secure donation stations in the church porch, for weekly offertory, second collections, Mass intentions, candles, or the shop.

It's also now possible to donate directly on your phone or other device. Scan the QR code here, on the poster in the porch or visit the 'donations' page on the parish website.



**MASS BOOKINGS:** Booking forms are in the church foyer. Please book in advance.

**CHURCH CLEANING:** Group 4 – Helen Kirwan and Bianca Dinghile. If anyone has time to join the Cleaning Group you would be very welcomed.

**CONFESIONS:** At St. Margaret's Church, Saturday, 11:30am-12:00 or by appointment.

**WEEKLY COLLECTION:** 13/14<sup>th</sup> December: £348.89. 2<sup>nd</sup> Collection: £225.61 Thanks for your generous offerings.

**PRAY WITH THE POPE:** Pope Leo XIV's prayer intention for the month of December. Let us pray for Christians living in areas of war or conflict, especially in the Middle East, to be seeds of peace, reconciliation, and hope.

**PARISH REGISTRATION:** Please register by using the following browser: [www.caspar.church/me?ID=56043](http://www.caspar.church/me?ID=56043) Or, scan the code below.

**Parish Registration**  
We will soon be using a new computer system to help us manage our parish better. It starts with us making sure that we have your correct details (name, address, email, telephone number, parishioners and so on) so that we can complete the registration form by clicking on this QR code or by typing the link into your browser: [www.caspar.church/me?ID=56043](http://www.caspar.church/me?ID=56043)  
If you don't have an email address, please speak to the parish who can complete the form on your behalf.



**REPOSITORY:** The Repository is still open to make purchases for your gift items and Sacramentals – Medals, Mass Cards, Calendars, Crucifixes, Rosaries and many more. Please support the church by patronising the Repository.



*Have a Wonderful & Blessed Christmas*