

ROMAN CATHOLIC DIOCESE OF EAST ANGLIA
Our Lady & the English Martyrs Parish

Places of worship:

Our Lady of Lourdes Community (OLOL): 135 High Street, Sawston, CB22 3HJ

St. John Fisher Community (SJF): Church Centre, Jeavons Lane, Cambourne, CB23 6GW

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Week commencing Sunday 24th December 2017
FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT, Year B, Psalter Week 4

SERVICE & MASS TIMES

Dates	OLOL Community https://www.ololsawston.org.uk	SJF Community http://cambournerc.com
Saturday 23-12-2017	9.15am: Morning prayer 9.30am: Holy Mass 10am: Adoration, Confession, and Rosary	4pm: Confession 5pm: Vigil Mass for 4 th Sunday of Advent (Francis, Pauline Remedios +)
Sunday 24-12-2017 4th ADVENT SUNDAY CHRISTMAS EVE	8.45am: Holy Mass 11.15am: Holy Mass (Pro populo) 6pm: Vigil Mass for Children's Christmas 9pm: Mass during the Night of Christmas	4pm: Vigil Mass for Children's Christmas
Monday 25-12-2017 CHRISTMAS DAY	10.00am: Mass during the Day of Christmas	8.00am: Mass at Dawn of Christmas
Tuesday 26-12-2017 S. STEPHEN	9.15am: Morning prayer 9.30am: Holy Mass (Harold Ford's Intentions)	12.15: Holy Mass (at Blue School) (Francis Heywood+)
Wednesday 27-12-2017 S. JOHN	9.15am: Morning prayer 9.30am: Holy Mass (The Chimes Family, esp. Baby Holly)	
Thursday 28-12-2017 HOLY INNOCENTS	9.15am: Morning prayer 9.30am: Holy Mass (Fr. John Fennell+) 7.00pm: Quiet prayer	7.15pm: Holy Mass 7.45pm: Adoration & Rosary.
Friday 29-12-2017 S. THOMAS BECKET	9.15am: Morning prayer 9.30am: Holy Mass	
Saturday 30-12-2017 Sixth Day of the Octave of the Nativity	9.15am: Morning prayer 9.30am: Holy Mass 10am: Adoration, Confession, and Rosary 11.30am: Baptism of Christopher Trocme-Letter	4pm: Confession 5pm: Vigil Mass of the Holy Family of Jesus, Mary, and Joseph (Cynthia Muzello+)
Sunday 31-12-2017 THE HOLY FAMILY	8.45am: Holy Mass (Rosamma George+) 11.15am: Holy Mass (Gabor Petre+)	

NOTICES

Welcome all visitors and regular Mass participants. Please stay for coffee / tea in the foyer after 5pm Mass (SJF), in the Presbytery after 8.45 Mass (OLOL), and in the Hall after 11.15 Mass (OLOL). Please also note that there will be **NO COFFEE / TEA** after 8.45am & 11.15am Masses (OLOL) this Sunday 24/12.

In memoriam: All those who have gone before us, especially members of our communities whose anniversaries occur around this week: Mick Singleton, Grace wate, Margaret McConnon, Arthur Canteheley, Evelyn Singleton, Leonard Rice, Fr. John Fennell, Anthony Ross, Anna Szalajko, and Jack Allan.

Collections: Thank you very much for your generosity. Last week you gave:

- OLOL: Collection £282, Standing Orders £401, Mass stipends £317, Donation to Hall use £80, and Second Collection (Dependent Priests) £140.

- SJF: Collection £167, Mass stipends £60, and Second Collection £36.

Welcome Don Ferdinando Pistore (Vicenza Diocese) to our communities in Cambourne & Sawston this weekend. He is studying English in London to be a missionary in Thailand.

Fr. John and Fr. Sandro would like to thank everybody for your prayers, greetings, and generous gifts during this holy season of Christmas and New Year. Your support is really appreciated and will greatly encourage them in their priesthood.

Children's Christmas Party will be held on Sunday 7th January after 11.15 Mass in OLOL Hall. Entertainment will again be provided by the excellent Calamity the Clown. Sandwiches (for the kiddiewinks!) will be provided but as always parents are requested to bring some snacks to share amongst them.

Epiphany Candlelight Mass (6th January 2018): join us for our annual Mass followed by a celebration in the Bishop's Garden, Poringland, NR14 7SH, including hotdogs, fireworks and a bonfire. Open to all young people and families from around the Diocese.

Donations to Foodbank will be collected next Sunday. Please remember to help our brothers and sisters who are in need of our charity, especially during this holy season.

Bambinelli Sunday is the tradition of having the figure of Baby Jesus blessed before Christmas. Please bring your family's Baby Jesus to be blessed this weekend Masses.

First Communion Programme: Meetings with parents and lessons will start in January 2018. For more information, please contact:

- OLOL: Amy Harrison on 07754-048239 or email: amyharrison37@yahoo.co.uk. All classes for children and meetings with parents will be at 6pm on Tuesdays during term time. The first meeting with parents and children will be on 30th January 2018. The suggested date for First Holy Communion Mass is 16th June 2018.

- SJF: Lorretta Peck on 07594 222207 or email: Lpeck229@gmail.com before the 18th of December 2017.

More information will be on our websites soon. Please watch this space!

Toddlers Group: OLOL will be starting a group on Friday mornings for pre-school children and their carers early next year. We will soon be asking for volunteers to help run it, as well as donations of toys and art materials for the children to use. Please contact Julia at 07800993882 if you have any questions.

Catholic Schools: The Secretary of State for Education is thinking about U-turning on the manifesto commitment to lifting the 50% cap on faith admissions for new religious schools. We need to tell the Secretary of State that this level of discrimination against Catholic schools, parents and children is unacceptable. Please write to the Secretary of State and your MP to urge the Government to keep their promise to our community, or sign online <http://www.catholiceducation.org.uk/guidance-forschools/item/1003640-safeguard-the-future-of-catholiceducation>. It would also be appreciated if you could share this link with as many people as possible.

Please pray for Kaz Williams who will be baptised and received into the Catholic Church at 11.15am Mass on Epiphany Sunday, 7th January 2018.

Creating Missionary Parishes is the theme of a diocesan event on Saturday 13th January 2018, 10.00am until 3.00pm Newmarket Parish Centre, 14 Exeter Road, Newmarket CB8 8LT Light buffet lunch included. We are delighted to be hosting this opportunity for Catholics in East Anglia. Join Bishop Alan and fellow Catholics from across the Diocese to learn how to create a mission team in our parish. This day will be helpful for parishes who need a practical way to get started with creating or to help refresh a parish mission team. We will be joined by members of the Diocese of Plymouth New Evangelisation team who will explain how their successful programme has created over 38 parish mission teams in their diocese. Across Cornwall, Dorset and Devon, more than 400 parishioners have taken part with great effect and extraordinary results. The programme takes people on a personal journey of exploration into their own faith, seeking to give a fuller sense of personal discipleship and to equip them to discern ways of evangelising with a wiser and deeper empathy for the person they encounter and where they may be in their spiritual journey. Please book by emailing: rebecca.bretherton@icloud.com. She needs to know numbers for catering purposes and to ensure that all parish delegates have the necessary parish packs to take away.

A big thank-you to donors of two chalices for OLOL Community, and the statue of St. John Fisher for SJF Community.

Quiz Night: at OLOL Hall on Friday 9th February 2018. Please join and have fun together as members of the new parish with ecumenical friends and the locals.

Ignite Lite Weekend (5th – 7th, January 2018): Open to all members of the volunteer group 'Ignite Lite' and those aged between 16 – 35 who are interested in joining and want to come along and find out more. The weekend will be spent exploring more about the Catholic faith with times of fellowship, prayer and reflection with the Saturday afternoon and evening spent at Poringland (NR14 7SH) helping to prepare for the Epiphany celebration

School of Journalism Competition: We are looking for students (aged 15-18 inclusive) to write an article or make a video report that informs, challenges and raises important issues on the topic: 'Migrants are our Neighbour'. The winning article will be published in the Far East Magazine, while the winning video will be broadcast online on Columban websites in Ireland and Britain and shared across social media. Don't miss this chance to make your mark! Submission deadline: 8th February 2018. For more information on entry and guidelines please visit www.columbancompetition.com, or email hello@columbancompetition.com

*Wishing you and all your loved ones
A Holy Christmas 2017 &
A Blessed New Year 2018*



THE HOLY FATHER'S INTENTIONS FOR DECEMBER:

That the elderly, sustained by families and Christian communities, may apply their wisdom and experience to spreading the faith and forming the new generations.

Sunday Entrance Antiphon (cf. Is 45:8)

Drop down dew from above, you heavens, and let the clouds rain down the Just One; let the earth be opened and bring forth a Saviour.

LITURGY OF THE WORD

First Reading: 2 Samuel 7:1-5,8-12,14,16

The Kingdom of David will always stand secure before the Lord.

Responsorial Psalm: Ps 88:2-5,27,29. R. Cf. v.2

I will sing forever of your love, O Lord.

Second Reading: Romans 16:25-27

The mystery, which was kept secret for endless ages, is now made clear.

Gospel Acclamation: Lk 1:38

I am the handmaid of the Lord: let what you have said be done to me.

Gospel: Luke 1:26-38

Listen ! You are to conceive and bear a son.



4TH SUNDAY OF *Advent*

The Nicene Creed

I believe in one God,
the Father almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all things visible and invisible.

I believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the Only Begotten Son of God,
born of the Father before all ages.
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made, consubstantial with the
Father;

through him all things were made.

For us men and for our salvation

he came down from heaven, *(please bow)*

and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the
Virgin Mary,

and became man.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius
Pilate,

he suffered death and was buried,

and rose again on the third day

in accordance with the Scriptures.

He ascended into heaven

and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again in glory

to judge the living and the dead

and his kingdom will have no end.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,

the Lord, the giver of life,

who proceeds from the Father and the Son,

who with the Father and the Son is adored and
glorified,

who has spoken through the prophets.

I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic
Church.

I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of
sins

and I look forward to the resurrection of the
dead

and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Communion Antiphon (if no hymn is sung) Is. 7:14

*Behold, a virgin shall conceive and bear a son;
and his name will be called Emmanuel.*