



Pupil Chaplaincy Newsletter School/Home/Parish

December 2020



Hello everyone and welcome to the December issue of the Pupil Chaplaincy Newsletter.

The month of December is dedicated to The Immaculate Conception

The first 24 days of December fall within the liturgical season of Advent and are represented by the colour purple. Purple is the colour associated with penance and a contrite heart. The remaining days mark the beginning of the Christmas season. The liturgical colour for the season of Christmas is white or gold – a symbol of joy, purity, and innocence.

Monthly Quote

“For to us a child is born, to us a son is given... and his name will be called Wonderful Counsellor, Almighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace.”

- Isaiah 9:6

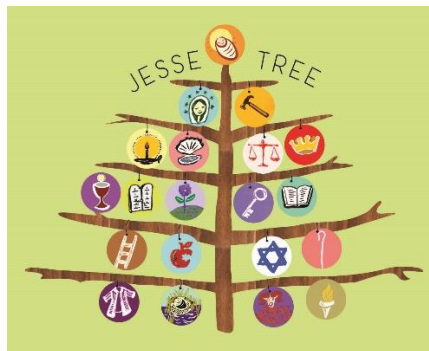


The Pope's Monthly Prayer Intention for December

For a life of prayer: We pray that our personal relationship with Jesus Christ be nourished by the Word of God and a life of prayer.

Activity of the Month

Why not, with your family, make a Jesse Tree? The Jesse tree has symbols representing old Testament stories and events leading up to the birth of Christ. Please see the attached file which demonstrates how to create your own Jesse tree.



December visit to The Nazareth Rooms

All the chaplains will be visiting the Nazareth Rooms in December to perform a special presentation of “The night before Christmas.” We will do this in the hall so that they children are safe, socially distanced and covid secure.

Focus of the Liturgy – Sunday Mass and Friday Assembly

The Gospel readings for the Sundays in December are taken from St Mark, St Luke and St John and are from Year B.

December 6th - 2nd Sunday in Advent

This Gospel is about John the Baptist preaching in the wilderness.

December 13th - 3rd Sunday in Advent

We learn in this Gospel how the crowd question John the Baptist asking him who he is.

December 20th - 4th Sunday in Advent

This Gospel recounts to us the story of the Angel Gabriel’s appearance to Zachariah in the temple.

December 27th - The Holy Family

We hear in this Gospel the prophecy of Simeon.

Important Dates for this Month

3 rd December	St Francis Xavier
4 th December	St John Damascene, Priest
6 th December	St Nicholas, Bishop
7 th December	St Ambrose, Bishop
8 th December	Immaculate Conception of The Blessed Virgin Mary
11 th December	St Damasus, Pope
12 th December	Our Lady of Guadalupe
14 th December	St John of the Cross
21 st December	St Peter Canisius
23 rd December	St John of Kanty, Priest
25 th December	Nativity of the Lord
26 th December	St Stephen
27 th December	The Holy Family
28 th December	The Holy Innocents
29 th December	St Thomas Becket
31 st December	St Sylvester, Pope

Best wishes and God bless,
Mrs Barnes and The Pupil Chaplaincy Team