

**CHRISTMAS FLOWERS,** Donations towards the cost of flowers for the Christmas festival and our Church Christmas Tree would be very much appreciated and may be given to either Fr Kevin or put in the Flower Fund box at the back of Church.

**WORKING PARTY,** The next Working Party will be on Saturday December 20<sup>th</sup> after Mass. Please come and help get the church sparkling for Christmas. Refreshments will be served.

**CHRISTINGLE MAKING,** We will be making up the Christingles on Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> December at 2pm. Any help will be gratefully received. There will be refreshments.

**THE SEASON OF ADVENT** A message from Fr Kevin:  
Advent is a time of spiritual preparation for the celebration of the Nativity of the Lord, the feast of Christmas. Christians are encouraged to prepare their hearts and minds to welcome Christ whose birth brings joy, peace and salvation to us and to the world. During Advent, the liturgical colour is purple. The Gloria is omitted at Mass and flowers are removed from the church. It is very easy for us to get caught up in all the other preparations for Christmas and to forget about Advent! So why not make an extra effort to come to a weekday Mass at S. Augustine's this Advent? Just 20 quiet minutes in the day to worship God in our beautiful church, to hear his word and to receive the Body of Christ in Holy Communion. The times of Mass during the week are advertised on this leaflet and all are welcome.

*"O come to my heart, Lord Jesus.  
There is room in my heart for thee."*

#### **SUNG CHRISTMAS SERVICES**

Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> December – Christmas Eve

4.00 pm Christingle & Crib Service

11.30 pm Midnight Mass

Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> December – Christmas Day

10.00 am Sung Mass of Christmas Morning

Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> December – The Holy Family

10.00 am Parish Mass

See Christmas Leaflet for full details of all services

#### **PLEASE PRAY FOR...**

Our link parish St Mary's Chitungwiza, Harare  
The pupils & staff of our Pre-School & Church School  
Bexley Street Pastors.

**The sick:** Val, Rose, Nora, Irene, David, Richard, Muriel, Stephen, Sheelah, Gloria, Ann, Marie, Freddy, June, Tony, Liz, Frankie.

**The Recently Departed, their families & friends:**

**Anniversary of Death:** Jeremy Ducker (13<sup>th</sup>)

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### **Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> December**

#### **SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT**



#### **10.00 am PARISH MASS**

**Processional Hymn: 64**

**Offertory Hymn: 241**

**Communion Hymn: 390**

**Recessional Hymn: 575**

#### **MASSES THIS WEEK...**

Monday 8<sup>th</sup> December

**IMMACULATE CONCEPTION OF THE BLESSED  
VIRGIN MARY (Solemnity)**

10.00 am Mass

Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> December – Feria of Advent

6.00 pm Mass

Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> December – Feria of Advent

9.05 am School Mass

Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> December – Feria of Advent

10.00 am Mass

Friday 12<sup>th</sup> December - Feria of Advent

10.00 am Mass

Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> December - S. Lucy, Virgin & Martyr

10.00 am Mass

Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> December

#### **THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT**

**10.00 am Parish Mass**

**The Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confessions)**  
is available after any Mass or by appointment with  
Fr Kevin.