



Saint Joseph's Passionist Church

1st SUNDAY OF ADVENT
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30th November 2025

Saint Joseph's Passionist Church

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Saturday: Mass 12.30pm; Vigil:

6.30pm

Sun Mass: 9.30 & 11.00am,

12.30 & 6.30 pm

Mon-Saturday Mass: 12.30pm

Eucharistic Adoration: 5:30-6.30pm

Confessions: Saturday: 11.30 – 12.30

& 5.30 – 6.30 p.m.

OR by appointment.

BIBLE STUDY : Wednesday, 3rd Dec from 10am-12noon.

RCIA: Thursday, 4th Dec. @ 8pm.

YOUNG ADULTS: Saturday, 6th Dec.

FEED THE HOMELESS @ 11am

LECTORS' MEETING Saturday 6th Dec

@ 1.30pm

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS' MEETING

Sunday 7th Dec @ 1.30pm

MASS INTENTIONS

Sun 30 Nov, 9.30am Serge Wourgaft, RIP

11.00am Nora Kelleher, RIP

12.30pm Clifford Sequeria, RIP

Please **BOOK** your **MASS INTENTIONS** in **ADVANCE** with the office. Your intention can be booked for more than one person but **ONLY ONE booking per Mass.**

NEW MASS TIMES starting

1st December 2025

MONDAY-SATURDAY 12.30pm

CONFESSIONS Saturdays

11.30am-12.30 & 5.30-6.30pm

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION :

5:30-6.30pm

BAPTISMS (2nd & 4th Saturdays)

@ 1.00 pm

SUNDAY MASSES

Saturday Vigil 6.30pm

Sundays 9.30 & 11.00am,

12.30 & 6.30pm

Our annual **Giving Tree** will be decorated with gift suggestions for children, homeless and other local charities, starting this weekend, the 1st Sunday of Advent. Please begin to bring in gifts on this date, to allow us to deliver to our numerous local organisations before Christmas.

Children's Christmas Play/Nativity

Pageant: Sunday 14 December at 3 pm.

All children are invited to participate.

Joseph, Angels, Shepherds, Wise Kings & Queens, Animals (Cow, sheep, doves etc.). To sign-up, please

email: yagparis@yahoo.com by this

Sunday 30 November 2025.

Parishioners are welcome to use the hall or section of the hall when CCD is not on.

Please check availability before you advertise your event with the Parish Coordinator. Thank you.

COLLECTIONS : Masses 22/23 Nov:

Collections : 3211.05€; CC: 1030,00€;

Shrines: 188,23€; CC: 50,00 € ;

Bookstall: 27,00€; CC: 25,00 €;

Coffee : 39,97€; Syrian Orthodox Mass:

50,00€; Swahili Mass: 60,61€.

Please Note: "St Joseph's ADP" in the French Tax receipt Authorized Charity for St Joseph's. Direct regular debits or single donations can be done from our website; cheques to "St Joseph's ADP". Thanks a lot for your constant generosity.



WAITING FOR CHRIST

Each new year, as it passes, brings us the same warnings again and again, and none perhaps more impressive than those with which it comes to us at this season.... The year is worn out. Spring, summer, autumn, each in turn, have brought their gifts and done their utmost, but they are over, and the end is come.... Thus the soul is cast forwards upon the future, and in proportion as its conscience is clear and its perception true does it rejoice solemnly that the night is advanced, the day is at hand, that there are a new heaven and a new earth (Rv 21:1) to come, though the former are failing. Nay, rather, because they are failing, it will soon see the king in his beauty and behold a land that stretches afar (Is 33:17).

These are feelings for [those] waiting...calmly though earnestly, for the advent of Christ. And such, too, are the feelings with which we now come before him in prayer day by day. The season is chill and dark, and the breath of the morning is damp, but all this befits those who are by profession penitents and mourners, watchers and pilgrims.... True faith does not covet comforts. It only complains when it is forbidden to kneel, when it reclines upon cushions.... Its only hardship is to be hindered, or to be ridiculed, when it would place itself as a sinner before its judge.... One year goes and then another, but the same warnings recur. The frost or rain comes again; the earth is stripped of its brightness; there is nothing to rejoice in. And then, amid this unprofitableness of earth and sky, the well-known words return: the prophet Isaiah is read, the same epistle and Gospel bidding us to awake from sleep and welcome him who comes in the name of the Lord, the same prayers, beseeching him to prepare us for judgement. O blessed are they who obey these warning voices, and look out for him whom they have not seen, because they have loved his appearing (2 Tm 4:8)....

At present, we are in a world of shadows.... Suddenly it will be rent in twain and vanish away, and our Maker will appear. He will look on us, while we look on him.

Saint John Henry Newman

Saint John Henry Newman († 1890) established the English Oratory in Birmingham, was a preacher of great eloquence, and a highly influential religious figure during the Catholic Revival in England. (From Waiting for Christ: Meditations for Advent and Christmas. Copyright © 2018, Augustine Institute, Greenwood Village, CO. All rights reserved.)