

# OUR LADY OF GILLINGHAM



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22 December 2024

✠ FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT C ✠

## Year C

<b>Reading 1</b>	Mic 5:1-4a	<i>Out of you will be born the one who is to rule over Israel.</i>
<b>Psalm</b>	Ps 79:2-3, 15-16, 18-19	<i>God of hosts, bring us back; let your face shine on us and we shall be saved.</i>
<b>Reading 2</b>	Heb 10:5-10	<i>Here I am! I am coming to obey your will.</i>
<b>Gospel Acclamation</b>	Luke 1: 38	<i>I am the handmaid of the Lord: let what you have said be done to me.</i>
<b>Gospel</b>	Luke 1:39-45	<i>Why should I be honoured with a visit from the mother of my Lord!</i>

**Readers this week:** 6.30pm Benedict Kenechukwu/Yolanda Danday

9.30am Ifeoma Ihuegbu/Amara Ihuegbu, 1130am Ellie Tetteh/Maureen O-Krakue, 6.30pm Divine Uche/Stanley O-Krakue

**Readers this week:** 6.30pm Oliver Perez/Kieran Shannon, 9.30am Susanne Inya/ Doris Chiamaka Eke, 1130am Chelsea Atoe/ Titus Eneh, 6.30pm Chidubem Uche/Joan Aruma

✠ Please pray for Julieta Gomes†, and Maureen Chadwick† who have recently died and for those whose anniversaries occur about this time:

✠ Susan Bishop, Alfred Dean, Norah Smith, Thomas Parsons, Estelle Flannery, Leslie Hollingsworth, Jack McIntyre. Mary Miceleff, Karen Slater, Patricia Videt, Rodney Kirwan, James (Jim) Fitzgerald and Betty Kelly.

May their souls, and all the souls of the faithful departed, rest in peace. Amen

**Collections** Last week's collection amounted to £473.20 of which £111.00 was Gift Aided.

The QR code for contactless payments is shown here.



## PARISH NOTICES

**CHRISTMAS LITURGICAL PROGRAM:** The schedule for the masses during Christmas is published at the back page of the newsletter.

**OLOG SEEDS YOUTH MINISTRY:** We are grateful for your generous support for the Parish youth ministry. We got £320.83 for payment of the mixer and accessories. Those willing to donate use contactless machine and tap on **Youth Ministry**.

**PARISH CHRISTMAS CELEBRATION:** All parishioners are invited to celebrate and enjoy together the Christmas day with delicious Mince Pies, Mulled Wine and other edibles after the 9.30am mass in the Parish hall.

**CHRISTMAS CAROLS:** All the parishioners are invited to the Parish celebration of Christmas Carols on 24<sup>th</sup> December at 8.30pm. We call upon individual parishioners or groups who have any presentation that can be part of the program to see the Parish Priest (07448210669).

**CHRISTMAS COLLECTION:** The Christmas envelopes are distributed at the back of the Church. See to it that you collect an envelope and make your Christmas donation which is meant to support our priests, appreciating the good work they are doing in our parish.

**CHRISTMAS HOME BLESSINGS:** Please return the completed forms as to help us in organizing these pastoral visits to your family. Those who did not get the forms, you can collect them from the back of the Church, fill and return them.

**JUBILEE 2025** –lasts until December 2025. The Pope's has given its theme as 'Pilgrims of Hope' It is a time for resetting our relationship with God, with one another and with the world around us. Hence the Pope intention for December is that we pray that this Jubilee Year strengthen our faith, helping us to recognize the Risen Christ in our daily lives, and that it may transform us into pilgrims of Christian hope.

**FOOD BANK AT CHRISTMAS** - The S.V.P. wish thank all our parishioners for their generous donations during the year. There are many families in our community who have benefited from your support and suggest that whilst Christmas shopping perhaps you could consider purchasing one extra item and place it the blue box in the church porch.

**MESSAGE FROM THE ARCHBISHOP:** The Sunday after Christmas we launch – with the local Churches across the world – the Jubilee Year 2025. Entitled the **Jubilee of Hope**, it will be an important milestone for our Archdiocese as we advance into the next phase of our **Called to Bear Fruit** journey, offering renewal and deeper engagement with our mission. As already communicated, there will be a Pastoral Letter for the beginning of the Jubilee Year to be read at all the Sunday Masses on the weekend after Christmas.

## Mass intentions for the week of 22<sup>nd</sup> December 2024

Saturday 21 <sup>st</sup>	<b>Vigil Mass</b> 6.30pm	Repose of the soul of Elizabeth Kelly
Sunday 22 <sup>nd</sup>	9.30am 11.30am  6.30pm	Repose of the Soul of Agata Nabdone  Holy Souls Holy Souls
Monday 23 <sup>rd</sup>	10.00am	Repose of the soul of Julieta Pascoal
Tuesday 24 <sup>th</sup>	10.00 am 6.30pm Midnight	Birthday Intentions of Naaza Zimba  Repose of the soul of Francis Davie  Intentions for Keating & Cottam Families
Wednesday 25 <sup>th</sup>	9.30am 11.30am	Intentions for Tony Luckhurst Holy Souls
Thursday 26 <sup>th</sup>	10.00am	Repose of the soul of Michael Ajayie  Holy Souls
Friday 27 <sup>th</sup>	10.00am  7.30pm	Intentions for Peggy Bishop  Holy Souls
Saturday 28 <sup>th</sup>	10.00am  1.00pm  <b>Vigil Mass</b> 6.30pm	Holy Souls <b>Followed by Exposition and Confession</b> Filipino Mass Intentions for Lee Family

**We apologise for any names that are misspelt.**

## CELEBRATION OF CHRISTMAS 2024

### THE PROGRAM FOR CHRISTMAS LITURGY

<b>Date</b>	<b>Time</b>	<b>Remarks</b>
Tuesday 24 <sup>th</sup> December	10:00 AM	Blessing of the Crib & Christmas Tree Fr. Pascoal
Tuesday 24 <sup>th</sup> December	6:30 PM	Christmas Vigil Mass Fr. Dennis
Tuesday 24 <sup>th</sup> December	8:30 PM	Christmas Carols
Wednesday 25 <sup>th</sup> December	12:00 Midnight	Midnight Mass Fr Pascoal
Wednesday 25 <sup>th</sup> December	9:30 AM	1 <sup>st</sup> Christmas Day Mass Fr. Dennis
Wednesday 25 <sup>th</sup> December	11:30 AM	2 <sup>nd</sup> Christmas Day Mass Fr Pascoal
Wednesday 25 <sup>th</sup> December	2:00 PM	Hospital Chapel Fr Dennis
Wednesday 25 <sup>th</sup> December	6:30 PM	Christmas Evening Mass Fr Pascoal
Thursday 26 <sup>th</sup> December	10:00 AM	Boxing Day Mass Fr. Dennis

### CONFESSIONS (SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION)

<b>Date</b>	<b>Time</b>
Saturday 21 <sup>st</sup> December	10:30 am – 11:30 am
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