

❧ **CHRISTMAS EVE** ❧

Monday 24<sup>th</sup> December

**Confessions:-** 10.00am - 12 noon, 3.30 - 5.00pm

**Blessing of the Crib, 3.00pm**

Children come dressed as shepherds, angels, king's, etc.

**Solemn Vespers 6.00pm**

Vespers: the Evening Prayer of Christmas Eve  
sung in Latin and led by the Monastic Community.

There will be no 6.00pm evening Mass

**Nativity of Our Lord 8.00pm**

First Mass of Christmas

**Matins 11.00pm**

Morning Prayer of Christmas Day  
led by the Monastic Community.

**Carols 11.30pm**

With the Ealing Abbey Choir

**12.00 Midnight Mass**

Please arrive well before midnight if you wish a seat

❧ **CHRISTMAS DAY** ❧

Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> December

**The Nativity of Our Lord.** Masses at -  
8.00am, 9.00am, 10.15am, (in the parish hall for families with young children),  
10.30am (sung choral Mass), 12.15pm  
Vespers 6.00pm

*Please note, there will be **no** evening Mass*

Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> December

**Feast of St. Stephen,** Masses at 9.15am and 6.00pm

Monday 31<sup>st</sup> December

**New Year's Eucharistic Adoration & Mass**

Adoration with gentle music 10.00-11.30pm, Mass 11.30pm.  
There will be an opportunity for Confessions.

Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> January 2019

**Solemnity of Mary, the Mother of God**

A Special Parish Day Of Prayer for Peace.

**Adoration and Benediction will take place**  
from 10.00am – 5.00pm

Masses at 7.00am, 9.15am and 6.00pm

*To contact the parish office please telephone 020 8862 2160*

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**E A L I N G A B B E Y**

Masses and Services  
for  
**ADVENT**  
&  
**CHRISTMAS**  
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❧ Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> December ❧

**1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of Advent**

**VESPERS for the First Sunday of Advent at 5.00pm**

Readings and Psalms with the Ealing Abbey Choir,  
followed by Benediction

**Saturday 1<sup>st</sup> December**  
**ADVENT HOLY HOUR**  
In the Abbey 10.00 -11.00am

**LISTEN WITH THE HEART**

**A Benedictine quiet day** in preparation for Advent  
11.00am - 4.00pm, in the parish hall. Scripture, Reflection and Prayer.  
Speakers will include *Fr. Abbot Martin, Gina Garrett & Fr. Robin.*  
Please bring a packed lunch,  
tea & coffee available

**ADVENT LITURGY**

**for Families with children with Special needs.**

Meet in the coffee shop from 1.45pm. Arts and Crafts, gentle music, Advent  
wreath, singing hymns, and a **Special Service in the Newman chapel**  
followed by refreshments

**Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> December**

**CAROLS BY CANDLELIGHT TICKETS for SALE**  
in the bookshop porch after all Masses

**SVP (Society of St. Vincent de Paul) APPEAL**  
**and 2<sup>nd</sup> collection.** Speakers after all Masses  
on Saturday 1<sup>st</sup> and Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup>

**Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> December**

**SENIOR CITIZEN'S CHRISTMAS PARTY**

**St. Benedict's SVP invite you to join them** for music, refreshments, bingo  
and lots of fun. 2.15 - 3.45pm in the Cloisters, St. Benedicts Senior School,  
54, Eaton Rise. Please call 0208 862 2000 or email  
[seniorschool@stbenedicts.org.uk](mailto:seniorschool@stbenedicts.org.uk) for your free tickets

**Friday 7<sup>th</sup> December**

**“MARY AND THE ANGEL” (The Annunciation)**

The first in a series of three evenings of reflection.

A talk by *Sr. Bernadette Hunston SCJA*

**Emmanuel – God is one of us in our humanity and the call to discover  
the divine within.** 7.30pm refreshments then prompt start at 7.45 - 8.45pm

**Saturday 8<sup>th</sup> December**

**ADVENT PARISH RETREAT**

**“What does Christmas Mean for me and Call me to be?”**

Understanding Salvation in our world today and living our capacity for God  
in the here and now. 10.15am – 4.00pm in the parish hall.

Full day parish retreat led by *Sr. Bernadette Hunston SCJA.*  
£12.00 including lunch. Look out for flyers/posters in both porches for  
more information and registration

**Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> December**

**ABBEY CHOIR CAKE SALE &  
CAROLS BY CANDLELIGHT TICKETS for SALE**  
in the bookshop porch after all Masses

**Friday 14<sup>th</sup> December**

**THE STORY OF THE SAVIOUR'S BIRTH IN KEYWORDS -  
Bethlehem; Manger; Shepherds; Wise men; gifts and more . . .**  
The second in a series of three evenings of reflection.  
A talk by *Sr. Bernadette Hunston SCJA*  
7.30pm refreshments then prompt start at 7.45-8.45pm

**Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> December**

**CAROLS BY CANDLELIGHT TICKETS for SALE** after all Masses  
**CHRISTMAS COLLECTION FOR THE FOOD BANK**  
In the bookshop porch, 8.00am - 1.15pm only. Please look out for special  
Christmas food requests on parish notice boards

**Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> December**

**WAITING FOR THE LIGHT**

**An afternoon of quiet reflection and prayer** to prepare for the Christmas  
festival led by Fr. Robin. 1.30 - 5.30pm, in the Bulbeck Room.  
Afternoon tea and coffee available

**Friday 21<sup>st</sup> December**

**THE PROLOGUE OF JOHN'S GOSPEL:**

**The Incarnation in it's most profound and deepest mystery revealed.**  
The last of three evenings of reflection.  
A talk by *Sr. Bernadette Hunston SCJA*  
7.30pm refreshments then prompt start at 7.45-8.45pm

**Saturday 22<sup>nd</sup> December**

**CAROLS BY CANDLELIGHT**

7.30pm in the Abbey. Christmas carols and readings by candlelight,  
performed by **Ealing Abbey Choir and Orchestra** conducted by  
**Christopher Eastwood.** The programme will include many favourite carols.  
Tickets are £12 (adults) and £10 (concessions) and are available for purchase  
online at [www.seetickets.com](http://www.seetickets.com), by phone on 0871 230 0010 or by reservation at  
[abbeychoir@ealingabbey.org.uk](mailto:abbeychoir@ealingabbey.org.uk) or 020 8862 2100. Tickets may also be  
purchased on the door (subject to availability). Ticket includes a programme  
and an after-concert reception of mulled wine and mince pies

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**CONFESSIONS: The Sacrament of Reconciliation**

**Confessions in Advent: Fridays:- 7<sup>th</sup>, 14<sup>th</sup> and 21<sup>st</sup> 5.30 – 6.00pm**

**Confessions-week before Christmas: Monday 17<sup>th</sup>, Friday 21<sup>st</sup> 5.30-6.00pm**

**As normal on Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> 8.00-8.30pm**

**Saturday 22<sup>nd</sup> 10.00-11.00am, 4.00-5.00pm and 7.00-7.30pm**