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**Third Sunday of Advent 15<sup>th</sup> December 2024, Year C, The Year of Luke**

**Gaudete Sunday: Rejoice!**

**Parish Mass Book Page 87, Prayer of the Church Week 3**

**Scriptures at Mass**

**Zephaniah 3:14-18** Jerusalem is urged to rejoice: God stands in her midst.  
We too take heart from this message.

**Philippians 4:4-7** Paul urges us to rejoice in the Lord,  
and to let go of anxiety by living in a spirit of prayer and thanksgiving.



*St John the Baptist Preaching, Paolo Veronese, 1528 -1588*

**Luke 3:10-18** John the Baptist tells the people what they must do  
to prepare for the Lord's coming and to escape his searching judgement.

## **Our Liturgies this week**

*Reconciliation: in the half hour prior to Mass.*

### **Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> December**

#### **St John of the Cross**

5 pm Reconciliation

6 pm Vigil Mass for the people of the Parish

### **15<sup>th</sup> December Gaudete**

#### **Third Sunday of Advent**

10 am Mass with the baptism of Oluwapelumi Peter-Moses

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

#### **Monday of the Third Week of Advent**

##### **Infant Nativity in the Church**

### **17<sup>th</sup> December, O Wisdom**

#### **Tuesday of the Third Week of Advent**

##### **at St Joseph, Havant**

6 pm Reconciliation

7 pm Station Mass, followed by refreshments

### **Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> December O, Adonai**

10 am Mass Adebisi Devereux's birthday

10.30 am Adoration

### **Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> December, O Root of Jesse**

### **Friday 20<sup>th</sup> December O Key of David**

10 am Mass Dayo Shiccu RIP (AD)

### **Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> December O Morning Star**

5 pm Reconciliation

6 pm Vigil Mass for the people of the Parish

### **Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> December Fourth of Advent**

#### **O King of the Nations**

10 am Mass Julie Straw RIP (CB)

## **Bambinelli Sunday**



**We bless crib figures this weekend.**

**Please pray for** all those who are unwell, for those who are bereaved and for those for whom Christmas may be a difficult time.

## **Paskong Pinoy na sa Havant**



These are just a few of the happy partygoers last Saturday evening. We thank them all for such a happy occasion and for their generosity to our Parish!

## **Becoming, or simply being, a Catholic**

### **Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> January at 3 pm**

You are welcome to find out more about becoming Catholic or are already Catholic and want to deepen your knowledge of the faith.

## **Advent in Havant Pastoral Area**

17<sup>th</sup> December St Joseph's, Havant

6 pm Sacrament of Reconciliation

7 pm Station Mass

## **Christmas Masses 2024**

Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> December 4 pm & 6 pm

Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> December 10 am

Other Mass times will be published at:

[Havant Pastoral Area - Catholic Diocese of Portsmouth](#)

Your collection donations at Christmas go, as is traditional at St Michael's, to Parish Funds.

## **A Prayer of Hope**

*O Lord God, I hope by your grace for the pardon of all my sins, and, after life here, to gain eternal happiness, because you have promised it, you who are infinitely powerful, faithful, kind and merciful. In this hope I intend to live and in this hope I intend to die. Amen.*

This prayer, recommended by Bishop Philip in his Pastoral Letter, is from the Catechism of the Catholic Church Compendium.

By tradition your Christmas Donations go to Parish Funds and we are most grateful. If you wish to donate online please use this link:

[Parish Christmas collection 2024](#)

