

E A L I N G A B B E Y

ADVENT
&
CHRISTMAS
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30th November 2024 to 5th January 2025

Saturday 30th November
SPECIAL NEEDS ADVENT LITURGY
For those with Special Needs and Carers

Meet in the Coffee Shop from 2.30pm. Arts and Crafts, gentle music, singing hymns, and a **Special Service in the Abbey** followed by refreshments.

BLESSING OF NEW LECTIONARIES & PARISH MASS BOOKS

At the 6pm mass

✧ **Sunday 1st December** 1st Sunday of Advent ✧

SOLEMN VESPERS for the First Sunday of Advent at 5.00pm

Join the Monastic Community and Ealing Abbey Choir for Vespers. This is an opportunity to celebrate the beginning of Advent in a reflective and prayerful setting. Followed by refreshments in the Coffee Lounge.

Tickets on sale for **CAROLS BY CANDLELIGHT** after 9am and 10.30am masses.

Tickets are also available online at: <https://www.trybooking.com/uk/DYZI>

You can also email: ealingabbeychoir@gmail.com

ABBEY CHOIR CHARITY CAKE SAKE

in the bookshop porch after 9am and 10.30am masses.

Friday, 6th December

ST. BENEDICT'S SCHOOL Senior Citizens Christmas Party

St. Benedict's SVP invite you to join them for music, refreshments, carol singing, **BINGO & LOTS OF FUN!** 2:00-4:00pm in the Cloisters, St. Benedicts Senior School, 54 Eaton Rise. All welcome. No need to book. Please call **0208 862 2000**.

Saturday 7th December

ADVENT RETREAT WITH HOLY HOUR

9.15am Mass, followed by **Holy Hour 10.00-11.00am**

11.15am Advent talk on the theme of "Pilgrims of Hope" (Jubilee Year 2025) led by Abbot Martin in the Newman Chapel, followed by soup and sandwiches (£5 per person) in the Old Workshop after.

Please RSVP for catering by Thursday 5th December to chelle@ealingabbey.org.uk. All welcome! *Scan QR Code for more information.*



GURNELL GROVE Christmas Fair

Saturday 7th December, 4:30-7:30pm. Fun for all the family! **Gurnell Grove Estate, Ealing W13 0AH.** Donkey rides, Christmas lights, stalls, refreshments.
FUN WINTER FAIR in our community. All welcome!

✧ **Sunday 8th December** 2nd Sunday of Advent ✧

SVP (Society of St. Vincent de Paul) APPEAL & 2nd collection. Speaker at all Masses.

Friday, 13th December – Extra Confessions 5.30-6.00pm



Saturday 14th December
CAROLS BY CANDLELIGHT

Ealing Abbey Choir & Orchestra will perform the annual **Carols by Candlelight concert** featuring music and readings for Christmas in the Abbey at 7:30pm. Advance booking is strongly recommended

❧ **Sunday 15th December 3rd Sunday of Advent** ❧

Friday 20th December - Extra Confessions 5.30pm-6.00pm

❧ **Sunday 22nd December 4th Sunday of Advent** ❧

Monday 23rd December – Extra Confessions 5.15pm-6.00pm



CONFESSIONS in ADVENT: The Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturdays in Advent-10am-11.00am, 4-5.00pm

Thursdays in Advent - 7.45-8.15pm

Fridays: - 13th and 20th December - 5.30-6.00pm

Monday 23rd: 5.15pm-6.00pm

Tuesday 24th (Christmas Eve): 10am to 12pm and 3.30pm-5pm

Saturday 28th: Confessions as normal

Parish Office during Christmas

The Parish Office will be closed during the Christmas period from 12.30pm on Friday 20th December and reopen on Thursday, 2nd January 2025 at 09.30am.

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❧ CHRISTMAS EVE ❧

Mass Times: - 07.00am, 09.15am

There will be NO 6pm evening mass. Confessions: 10am-12pm and 3.30pm-5.00pm

Blessing of the Crib, 3.00pm

Children come dressed as shepherds, angels, kings. Please check the website for rehearsal dates.

Solemn Vespers 6.00pm: the Evening Prayer of Christmas Eve sung in Latin and led by the Monastic Community. There will be NO 6pm Mass

Nativity of Our Lord 8.00pm - First Mass of Christmas

Matins 11.00pm

Office of Readings 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 to get a seat.

❧ CHRISTMAS DAY ❧

Wednesday 25th December - The Nativity of Our Lord

Masses at 8.00am, 9.00am, 10.15am (*In the parish hall for those with young children*),
10.30am (sung choral Mass), 12.15pm
Pontifical Vespers 6.00pm: No evening Mass

Thursday 26th December: Feast of St Stephen,
(*No 7.00am Mass or Confessions*) Masses at 9.15am and 6.00pm

Friday 27th December: Masses at 7.00am, 9.15am, 6.00pm

Saturday 28th December: Feast of The Holy Innocents
Masses at 7.00am, 9.15am, 6pm

❧ Sunday 29th December ❧ Holy Family

Masses at 9:00am, 10:15am (Family Mass in Parish Hall), 10:30am (sung choral Mass), 12:00pm, 7:00pm

Tuesday 31st December: New Year's Eve Eucharistic Adoration and Mass-
Confession 10.00-11.00pm, Adoration 10.00-11.30pm, Mass 11.30pm

Wednesday 1st January 2025: SOLEMNITY OF MARY, THE MOTHER OF GOD
World Day of Prayer for Peace. Masses as usual.
7.00am, 9.15am, 6:00pm

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament - 10:00am-5:00pm

❧ Sunday 5th January ❧ Solemnity of the EPIPHANY

Masses at 9:00am, 10:15am (Family Mass in Parish Hall), 10:30am (sung choral Mass), 12:00pm, 7:00pm

Sunday 12th January: 'ORSZAK'

Procession of the Three Kings - Meet in Dickens Yard, by Christ the Saviour Church in Ealing Broadway at **12.30pm for a 1pm punctual start**. We will walk to Ealing Abbey, where on the steps a Holy Family will be waiting. The Kings will present their gifts on the steps, followed by a short religious service in the church.