

**WORKING PARTY,** The next Working Party will be on Saturday December 20<sup>th</sup> after Mass to get the church sparkling for Christmas. Recently confirmed members of the Church will also be delivering Christmas flyers to local streets during this time. Any help with either of these activities will be greatly appreciated. Refreshments will be served.

**CHRISTMAS FLOWERS,** Donations towards the cost of flowers for the Christmas festival and our Church Christmas Tree would be very much appreciated and may be given to either Fr Kevin or put in the Flower Fund box at the back of Church.

**CHRISTINGLE MAKING,** We will be making up the Christingles on Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> December at 2pm. Any help will be gratefully received. There will be refreshments.

**THE SEASON OF ADVENT** A message from Fr Kevin:  
Why not make an extra effort to come to a weekday Mass at S. Augustine's in the final week of Advent? Just 20 quiet minutes in the day to worship God in our beautiful church, to hear his word and to receive the Body of Christ in Holy Communion. The times of Mass during the week are advertised on this leaflet and all are welcome.

*"O come to my heart, Lord Jesus.  
There is room in my heart for thee."*

#### **SUNG CHRISTMAS SERVICES**

Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> December – Christmas Eve

4.00 pm Christingle & Crib Service

11.30 pm Midnight Mass

Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> December – Christmas Day

10.00 am Sung Mass of Christmas Morning

Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> December – The Holy Family

10.00 am Parish Mass

See Christmas Leaflet for full details of all services

#### **PLEASE PRAY FOR...**

Our link parish St Mary's Chitungwiza, Harare  
The pupils & staff of our Pre-School & Church School  
Bexley Street Pastors.

**The sick:** Val, Rose, Nora, Irene, David, Richard, Muriel, Stephen, Sheelah, Gloria, Ann, Marie, Freddy, June, Tony, Liz, Frankie, Fr Gareth, Mark.

**The Recently Departed, their families & friends:**

**Anniversary of Death:** Lancelot Hazel (14<sup>th</sup>)

Arthur Howard (17<sup>th</sup>) Pamela Bassett (17<sup>th</sup>)

Joseph Storey (19<sup>th</sup>) Frederick Russell (20<sup>th</sup>)

**The Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confessions)** is available after any Mass or by appointment with Fr Kevin.

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## **Welcome to the Parish Church of S. Augustine of Canterbury, Belvedere**

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

#### **THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT**



**10.00 am Parish Mass**

**Processional Hymn: 700**

**Offertory Hymn: 255**

**Communion Hymn: 375**

**Recessional Hymn: 738**

It is the tradition to wear Rose coloured vestments on the Third Sunday of Advent (Gaudete Sunday) as a sign of our joy at the Lord's coming.

#### **ALSO THIS WEEK...**

*In the final week of Advent 17<sup>th</sup>-23<sup>rd</sup> December, as the Feast of Christmas draws nearer, the ancient "O Antiphons" are observed on each of the days, honouring the titles which belong to Christ, the Son of God.*

Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> December – Feria of Advent

6.00 pm Mass

Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> December – O Sapientia

9.45 am Pre- School Christmas Service

11.00 am Mass

Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> December – O Adonai

10.00 am Mass

Friday 19<sup>th</sup> December – O Radix

9.30 am School Christmas Service

11.00 am Mass (Please note change of time)

Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> December – O Clavis

10.00 am Mass

Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> December - O Oriens

#### **FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT**

**10.00 am Parish Mass**