## ST PATRICK'S CHURCH, Brockworth

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SUNDAY MASS: 9.00am Mary Blackmore RIP

WEEKDAY Monday NO MASS MASSES: Tuesday 9.15am

Tuesday 9.15am Advent Michael Hickey RIP

Wednesday NO MASS
Thursday 9.15am O Adonai Wayne Barnett RIP

Friday NO MASS Saturday NO MASS

CONFESSIONS: after Mass upon Request.

## A VERY WARM WELCOME TO OUR BISHOP BOSCO who will be celebrating Holy Mass with with us NEXT Sunday!

TODAY we celebrate the THIRD SUNDAY of Advent—also it is GAUDETE SUNDAY.

After Mass today there will be our annual Retiring
Collection for the Christmas Flowers!!

Advent Reconciliation Liturgy Our Lady's, Churchdown, will have a Reconciliation Liturgy on Friday 19th December at 7:00pm. If possible please make this your time to celebrate Confession before Christmas. We will have visiting priests to assist.

The Giving Tree: As in previous years, we are appealing to your enthusiastic and generous Christmas spirit as we set up a Giving Tree so that disadvantaged children will receive at least one present at Christmas. The charity again this year is Bundles which provides children with new toys for Christmas. Last year you donated a record126 gifts, an impressive number for our small Parish, which was very gratefully received by Bundles. If you would like to take part, please pick a label from the tree, buy the gift, wrap it and attach the label. Then bring the gift to church and place it at the bottom of the tree, as soon as possible, bearing in mind that the gifts have to be distributed before Christmas. Thank you.

<u>APPEAL</u>: Our Church Redecoration Appeal has now reached just over £4,000 towards our first target of

£10,000; thank you to all who have kindly donated so far. We need to be completely self-sufficient in the maintenance of our church so if you are able to help us the ways you can donate to the appeal can be found on the noticeboard in the narthex; alternatively speak to Deacon Barry after Mass. The Parish Finance Committee have decided to approach the redecoration using a phased approach so it is hoped that work will begin on the sanctuary wall early in the New Year. If any of our parishioners have experience with larger scale capital fundraising or could help with grant applications for future projects please could you make yourself known to Deacon Barry or Jo Taylor.

<u>Parish Lottery Numbers</u> for this month will be sale today and the final draw of 2025 will take place on Sunday 21st December. Thank you for everyone who has supported the lottery this year; we have raised over £900 to support the running and maintenance of our church.

Lottery numbers for 2026 will be sold for £2 each per month (or 3 numbers for £5) and you may buy as many numbers as you wish. Sales will begin on Sunday 11th January and continue on the first Sunday of every month thereafter. Payment for up to 12 months is welcome in January.

ST PAT'S extends a very warm welcome to all our visitors joining us for HOLY MASS today!

CHRISTMAS MASS TIMES:

CHRISTMAS EVE AT 6.30pm

CHRISTMAS DAY MASS AT 9.00am.