

St Luke's RC Church

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**3rd Sunday of Advent
17th December 2017**

MASS TIMES:

As on the notice board.
Tuesday Requiem Mass for Helena Ntriwa Yanney
at 9.40

Masses received: Canon Eugene Dolan (St Joseph's) Helena Ntriwa Yanney, Jimmy Donnelly, Auntie Ev, Gregory Sadler (lately dead). Mac Baker & John Warren (anniversary) Michelle (special intention) Edward Foley, Derek Birch, The Burke & Cottam Families, & Connor & Forsyth Families (Christmas Mass Offerings) Josephine Warburton & dec'd Warburton & O'Donnell Families

Welcome into the family of St Luke, Maisie Alexis and Max Wibbeney. Congratulations Zoe & Mike.

Christmas Panto - Ali Baba and the Bongo Bandits in the Parish Centre tonight (Sat 16th Dec) at 7.30 and Sunday 2 pm. Tickets £6 concessions £4.

Carol Service: this Sunday at 6.00pm. Accompanied by Eccles Borough Band. Children bring your instruments and join in. Following the service, refreshments will be served in the Parish Centre. Bar open!

Tuesday is Christmas Dinner Day in school

Today Fr Joseph arrives at 2pm. I have bought a brand new RED CARPET. WELCOME HOME FR. JOSEPH

Thursday Fr Patrick flies home to see his mum & dad for a well-earned 5 week holiday. Bon Voyage Fr Patrick

Carol Singing with the 'Churches together on the Height' in Aldi on Thursday 4pm-5pm. Please come and represent St. Luke's. Thank you.

SLIDE £2,600 has been sent to India this week to help the education of the poor children and to a Home for destitute old people. Many thanks to SLIDE Members and donations.

Next Week's Bulletin
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**Theme: "Rejoice" – your God is coming to
SAVE you**

GAUDETE (REJOICE) SUNDAY

"Be happy at all times" (St Paul)

**WHY? BECAUSE YOUR GOD IS COMING TO
SAVE YOU!**

"Sacred infant - all divine. What a tender love was thine.
Thus to come from highest bliss, down to such as this"

"Happiness is being loved" (Billy Smith, aged 8)
And that's why we all are so happy at this time of year
BECAUSE EACH ONE OF US IS LOVED BY GOD.

"He leaves us all his glory behind to be born and to **die**
for mankind.

With grateful death his cradle chooses
THANKLESS MAN HIS LOVE REFUSES"
Time haven't changed!

**SO BE HAPPY. YOU ARE LOVED BY GOD. WHO
IS OUR FATHER**

I'M PUZZLED! How do men who drive snow ploughs
get to work in the morning ? !!!

AND MY SYMPATHY to the worn-out teacher who at
the end of a long Christmas term said: "What a class.
I've taught you everything I know and you're still a
bunch of idiots!!!

Friday School closes at 1.30pm. Thank God! And now
the last word to the children.

"Christmas is like a big surprise party that God gave to
the world" (Henry aged 9)

"Everything sparkles at Christmas, ESPECIALLY
PEOPLE" (Maureen aged 8)

"I wish people could be nice all year long and not just at
Christmas: (Nicola aged 8). AND SO SAY ALL OF US

And the final, final word to St Teresa: "A God who
becomes so small could only be mercy & love"

AN ADVENT PRAYER TO END

All powerful Father, we await the healing power of
Jesus your son, Let us not be discouraged by our
weakness. Help us to give your love to all we meet.
Amen