

# St. Anthony's Parish Newsletter

First Sunday of Advent  
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01st December 2024

## Entrance Antiphon:

To you, I lift my soul, O my God. In you, I have trusted; let me not be put to shame. Nor let my enemies exult over me, and let none who hope in you be put to shame.

## Readings:

Jeremiah 33:14-16

Psalms 24:4-5.8-9.10.14

1 Thessalonians 3:12-4:2

Luke 21:25-28.34-36

## Response to Psalm:

To you, O Lord, I lift up my soul.

## Gospel Acclamation:

Alleluia, alleluia!

Let us see, O Lord, your mercy and give us your saving help.

Alleluia!

## Communion Antiphon:

The Lord will bestow his bounty, and our earth shall yield its increase.



The Offertory collection for the 16th & 17th November 2024 was €1,309.07 - Thank you

## CHRISTMAS CHARITY FAYRE



The Christmas Charity Sale is on this Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> December after both masses. Please drop in and offer your support. There will be mulled wine, mince pies, coffee and soft drinks on offer; Christmas fruit cake and ginger cake all beautifully wrapped ready for gift giving so you won't need to bake; artisan gifts from around the world as well. All proceeds go to the Charities present.



Dear Parishioners,



Thank you to everyone who took an Angel home for the Angel Tree Gift Collection. May all the Parishioners who took an Angel home, please bring the gifts in as soon as possible. Gifts can be dropped off under the Christmas tree in the Church or the Parish Office. Thank you for your support. **Deadline for returning angel tree gifts is Sunday 1st December.**

## FEAST OF ST. NICHOLAS

There will be a bilingual Mass Fr/En to celebrate the Feast of St. Nicholas on Friday, December 6<sup>th</sup> at 17h. The Mass will be followed by a reception, food as well as a visit from St. Nicholas for the young ones. All invited.

## KNIGHTS OF ST. THOMAS MORE

If you are a Catholic adult man looking for a way to support our parish and share your faith in practical ways consider joining the Knights of St Thomas More. For further info see: [www.catholic-knights.be](http://www.catholic-knights.be)

**Christmas Charity Concert on 19<sup>th</sup> December at 20h15 at the eglise Notre-Dame des Victoires au Sablon. Tickets €25 and €35. For reservations and more information, visit [www.assocfemmesdeurope.eu](http://www.assocfemmesdeurope.eu)**

## POINSETTIAS

Easter Pilgrimage Group 610 will be selling poinsettias after Masses this weekend, 30<sup>th</sup> November and 1<sup>st</sup> December to help finance our Easter Pilgrimage. Thank you in advance for your support



**Garden Helpers Needed**  
Please contact Pat Shannon on 0460971950 or [pjshannon77@gmail.com](mailto:pjshannon77@gmail.com)

## Lourdes Easter Pilgrimage 2025

If you are interested in going on the HCPT Easter Pilgrimage, please contact [ludo.celis@gmail.com](mailto:ludo.celis@gmail.com) or [efalco736@gmail.com](mailto:efalco736@gmail.com). Thank you.

The Fonds Jean De Give, a charity long-supported by the parish, has a stall at the Brussels Christmas Market. It is the only charity stall there and sells hot drinks. It is in its usual place - in the centre of St Catherine's Square. If you attend the market, please pass by and give your support.

Association Femmes d'Europe will be having their **Christmas Bazaar on Sunday, 14<sup>th</sup> December from 10h-17h at Rue Joseph II, No 79, 1000 Brussels**. All welcome. For more information on this and other events, visit [www.assocfemmesdeurope.eu](http://www.assocfemmesdeurope.eu)

**Standing Order Appeal**  
Standing orders are very important to us as they guarantee a regular income to our parish.  
Please consider setting up a Standing order to the Parish using the standing order forms on the table in the Foyer or via your banking app.

**ST. ANTHONY'S BOOKSHED** Thanks to our new volunteers!

Come check out the Bookshed where you will find - tada! - lots of books - thousands in fact! - English fiction for all ages, and a good selection of French and Dutch for children. Special collections? Yep, we have them too! For children: Disney, Thomas the Tank, Dr Seuss, Horrible Henry, Soccer/football books, and Star Wars, to name a few, as well as an extra special collection of Christmas books. For adults: Special collections include many popular authors, such as Clancy, Patterson, Le Carre, Binchy, Cornwell, etc. We have also recently added a large set of Cambridge Study Books on a trial basis. Plus, there are classics (Oh Romeo, Romeo, where for art thou Romeo?), sheet music, coffee table books (the perfect Christmas gift?), etc. Questions for Romeo? Why not ask any of our volunteers and many thanks to our latest cohort from the ISB. Most books are at crazy prices - just 1-2 euros. Pay directly into the cashbox (no change is possible) or pay via QR code. Located just across the car park, St Anthony's Bookshed is open before and after every Mass and during Confirmation classes. Biographies and audiobooks on CDs are in much demand. Otherwise, fiction only.

**THANK YOU**

**St. Anthony's  
Family Carol Concert  
Sunday 15th December  
16:00 hrs.**



All welcome - Free Admission  
Mulled wine & mince pie reception after concert

Oudstrijderslaan 25,  
1950 Kraainem

**Dear Parishioners,  
An Offertory donation can also  
be made by scanning the QR  
Code below using a Banking App.  
Thank you.**



Community of St Anthony  
WEEKEND OFFERTORY COLLECTION

**Parishioners are asked to use  
the Exit gate in the carpark  
when leaving and not the  
Entrance gate. Thank you**

**MASS TIMES**

Saturday at 18h  
Sunday at 10h and 11h30

Confessions take place on  
Saturdays between 12h - 13h in  
the parish hall

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**Parish Office Hours**

Mon, Thurs & Fri  
9.00-13.00 & 14.00-17.00  
Tue & Wed  
9.00-13.00

A/C No:

BE60 7330 6428 5970

**Other EN Masses in Brussels**

St Joseph Community, 203  
Chaussée de Wavre 1050 Ixelles  
Sunday @ 11h30

Saint Nicholas at the Bourse  
Sunday @10.00

Rue Le Correge  
Sunday @ 19h15