

# OUR LADY OF GILLINGHAM



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✘ FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT C ✘

<b>Reading 1</b>	Jer 33:14-16	<i>I will make a virtuous branch grow for David.</i>
<b>Psalm</b>	Ps 24:4-5, 8-9, 10, 14	<i>To you, O Lord, I lift up my soul</i>
<b>Reading 2</b>	1 Thes 3:12—4:2	<i>May the Lord confirm your hearts in holiness when Christ comes</i>
<b>Gospel Acclamation</b>	Ps 84:8	<i>Let us see, O Lord, your mercy and show us your saving help</i>
<b>Gospel</b>	Luke 21:25-28, 34-36	<i>Your liberation is near at hand.</i>

**Readers this week;** 6.30pm Benedict Kenechukwu/Kieran Shannon

9.30am Samuel Robinson/Tania Jackson 11.30am Danielle Ibeh/Joseph Kuruvilla

6.30pm Chidubem Uche/Ugochi Uche

**Readers next week:** 6.30pm Oliver Perez/Yolanda Danday

9.30am. Vincent Obi/Ann Williams 1130am Shakira Kara/Dinah Kaansiime

6.30pm Divine Uche/Ugochi Uche

✘ Please pray for Julieta Gomest†, Maureen Chadwick† and Anne-Marie Hawker† who have recently died and for those whose anniversaries occur about this time:

✘ Beatrice Jordan, Mary Allen, Mary Cunningham, Cecilia Maynard, Bryon Pennington  
May their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed rest in peace. Amen

**Collections;** This week's collection amounted to £598.98 of which £110.00 was Gift Aided, the second collection amounted to £120.88 of which £21.00 was Gift Aided and Football parking amounted to £240.00..  
Thank you.

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## PARISH NOTICES

**TODAY** is the beginning of Advent, the new liturgical year, and the introduction of the new liturgy. Advent has a twofold character, for it is a time of preparation for the Solemnities of Christmas, in which the First Coming of the Son of God to humanity is remembered, and likewise a time when, by remembrance of this, minds and hearts are led to look forward to Christ's Second Coming at the end of time. For these two reasons, Advent is a period of devout and expectant delight

**JUBILEE 2025** – begins today and lasts until December 2025. The Pope's has given its theme as 'Pilgrims of Hope' It is a time for resetting our relationship with God, with one another and with the world around us

**REPOSITORY** — will be in the McMahon Hall after all Masses this weekend for Christmas cards, Advent calendars. etc.

**CHILDREN'S LITURGY TODAY** -During 9.30 Mass those children who have not yet to make their First Holy Communion meet in the McMahon Hall for their own liturgy.

**SUNDAY MASSES** – When we come to attend mass we need to keep time and we want all of us to be harmonious and enjoy the mass, not upsetting others. We need to be considerate and our stewards are always there to welcome and help us to sit safely in the Church.

**PASTORAL SUPPORT TO PARISHIONERS** – Those in need of spiritual direction, pastoral guidance and counselling, please book an appointment with Fr. Dennis, Fr. Pascoal or Deacon Michael.

**POPE'S INTENTION FOR DECEMBER** -For pilgrims of hope We pray that this Jubilee Year strengthen our faith, helping us to recognize the Risen Christ in our daily lives, and that it may transform us into pilgrims of Christian hope.

**OLOG SEEDS YOUTH MINISTRY** – The registration for FLAME 2025 youth conference scheduled on 15<sup>th</sup> March, is ongoing at £31 per person. Interested youth contact the parish office. The parish shall provide the transport and safeguarding

**MUSIC MINISTRY:** Thanks for your generous contributions for supporting the music ministry- £820.33 A new Piano has been secured for 9.30 am mass choir

**HOSPITAL CHAPLAINCY AT MEDWAY HOSPITAL** There is Sunday mass at the hospital chapel/prayer room, at 2.00pm every Sunday for the hospital staff, visitors and patients. Visiting the in-patients on wards is on Wednesday, morning and Sunday afternoons done by priests, deacons and volunteers Thus, there is a call for catholic hospital volunteers. If you are willing and interested in offering this service please see Fr Dennis or Fr Pascoal or contact the parish office on 01634852979.

**CATHOLIC CHARISMATIC RENEWAL** – meets every second Sunday of the month after 11.30 Mass

✘ **MASS INTENTIONS** ✘

Saturday 30<sup>th</sup> November

**Vigil Mass** 6.30pm Vera Uzoogbu's birthday

Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> December 9.30am Repose of the soul of David Keating

11.30am Intentions of Christine Travelle

6.30pm Pro Populo

Monday 2<sup>nd</sup>

**Feria**

10.00am

12 noon Funeral of Anne-Marie Hawker followed by  
burial at Woodlands Vemetery

Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup>

**St Francis Xavier, Priest**

10.00 Repose of the soul of David Manning

Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup>  
**Church**

**St John Damascene, Priest & Doctor of the**

10.00 Repose of the soul of Julieta Gomes

Thursday 5<sup>th</sup>

**St John Almond, Priest & Martyr**

10.00am Repose of the soul of Julieta Gomes

Friday 6<sup>th</sup>

**St Nicholas, Bishop**

10.00am Well Repose of the soul of Julieta Gomes &  
Birthday of Victoria Uzoegbu

7.30pm Holy Souls

Saturday 7<sup>th</sup>

**St Ambrose, Bishop and Doctor of the Church**

10.00am Holy Souls

**Followed by Exposition and Confession**

**Vigil Mass**

6.30pm Holy Souls

OBITUARY OF THE MOTHER OF  
FR. PASCOAL DOMINGOS

**JULIETA GOMES**

Please pray for a peaceful repose of the soul  
of JULIETA GOMES who has passed on  
eternity on Monday 25<sup>th</sup> November.

Eternal rest grant her, oh Lord and let your  
perpetual light shine upon her.



Our condolences to Fr  
Pascoal Gomes Domingo  
and his Family at this  
moment of bereavement.  
The Funeral of Julieta  
Gomes shall take place on  
Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> December at  
Malanje in Angola.  
May her Soul and all the  
souls of the faithful  
departed rest in peace.



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## PARISH ADVENT SERVICE OF ADORATION AND RECONCILIATION

**THEME:** You are a child of God; Be reconciled with your Heavenly Father.

### PROGRAMME:

1. Praise and worship @3PM
2. Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
3. Invocation of the Divine Grace
4. Sharing the Word of God  
(Daniel 9:4-10, Psalm 50, Gospel Lk 15:10-30)
5. Praise and worship
6. Intercessory prayers
7. Praise and worship
8. Benediction
9. Holy Mass @630PM

Please take note that the **Sacrament of Reconciliation** shall be ongoing from 10.30AM -12.30PM, 3PM-6PM.

## Everyone Is Invited!

**DATE:** Saturday, 14<sup>th</sup> December 2024

**TIME:** 8:00-6:00PM.

**VENUE:** Church Of Our Lady Of Gillingham

**PREACHER:** Fr Godwin Alkali, CSSp

