

Confessions Sat 30 December 5 – 6:00pm (J). Sat 6 January 5 – 6pm (S) Also Confessions at any time.

Last Sunday: Offertory Loose Plate £272.48
For Gift Aid contact John Baggaley 432683

Gift Aid £608.63
Many thanks!

COMMUNION FOR THE SICK

The Congregation says: May this sacrament unite them with Christ and his Church and give them consolation and peace.

Adoration in Church. St. Joseph's Adoration Chapel Exposition is at any time that you can make it. You are welcome to pop in any time.

500 CLUB' CONGRATULATIONS TO B Salisbury

£100 Winner 270 Week 50 Agent E Ellison

500 CLUB' CONGRATULATIONS TO K Waidson

£100 Winner 88 Week 51 Agent L Raven

Prayer in preparation for the National Eucharistic Congress 2018 and for the Archdiocesan Synod 2020

To be said together after Holy Communion.

We thank you Father for the love you have shown us in the gift of Jesus, your Son. Keep us grateful each day for the blessings that surround us. As we are fed by you, so now send us out to share what we have received with our hungry brothers and sisters. We humbly ask your help to become the Church that you are calling us to be: a community that listens, that trusts, that lives with courage and that puts out its nets into new waters. May the gentle presence of Christ in our hearts be a source of healing, of new life and of a deeper trust in you. We ask this in faith through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

A Message from the Archbishop to us all.

As Christmas approaches and another year draws to a close I want to take the opportunity to thank you for your dedication to the people entrusted to your care. We are richly blessed in the archdiocese with good priests, deacons and religious, and I am incredibly grateful for all your generous ministries. I wish you and all your parishioners a very happy Christmas, and I know that you will join me in my Christmas prayer that the Prince of Peace will reign in the hearts of all peoples now and in the months to come.

I do hope that you will have an opportunity for some well-earned relaxation following the extra workload in the lead up to the Christmas festivities.

With every good wish,
Archbishop Malcolm McMahon

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Double Issue bulletin 4th SUNDAY Advent P 32 or 34
and Feast of the Holy Family

WELCOME TO NEW PARISHIONERS / VISITORS

Please fill in our new Record Form or if you move house within the parish please amend a new form.

MASS TIMINGS

Saturday 6.00 (*Vigil*) The Parish / Thanksgiving / Ellie Sumner recently died

Sunday 24th December Fourth Sunday of Advent

10.00 p m Fr Abbot's intentions / Barrie Cox recently died
6:00 p m All our Parishioners
9.15pm *Carols by candlelight with the choir*
10.00pm All refugees / Walter Davies recently died

Monday 25th December Nativity of the Lord

08:00am First morning mass with carols accompanied by the Bromiley family and their brass instruments / The Homeless
10:00am Family mass for World Peace
3:30pm *Sung vespers*

Tuesday 26th December Feast of St. Stephen

11.00 The lonely and the bereaved

Wednesday 27th December St John

10.00 Harry Minshull anniversary
12.15 Requiem mass Mary Taylor

Thursday 28th December Feast of Holy Innocents

10.00 *Bernadine Sisters*

Friday 29th December St Thomas of Canterbury 10.00 Joan Boyle RIP

1pm Nuptial Mass: Neil Garside and Becca West

Saturday 30th December 10.00 Edward Murphy B'day remembrance

6.00 (*Vigil*) Morphew Family Intentions

Sunday 31st December Feast of the Holy Family P 41 or 43

9.30 Delores and Liam Linden intentions
11.00 Kealey family intentions / Mary Taylor recently died.
At this last mass of the year we say the Te Deum to thank God for all the graces of the year 2017 and to ask forgiveness for any sins in 2017



THE PARISH FAMILY: CONGRATULATIONS to Neil Garside and Becca West on their wedding

PLEASE PRAY FOR ALL OUR SICK Sheila Mary Watkinson, Norah Platt, Harry Embrey, Sharon Seddon, Margaret Evans, Declan Brewer, Allen Withnell, Carol Parkinson, Christine and Bernard Hayes, Marjorie Parr, Mary Newsham, Margaret Booth, Rebecca Coates, Harry and Vi Gardner, Roy Thompson, Joan Sullivan, Bernadette Thompson, Pauline Robinson, Philip Watson, Derek Taylor, Graham Dunn, Catherine Breen, Janet Turner, Glenda Kelly, Michael Waite, Eileen Hilliard, Peter Beatty, Eileen Whelan, and connected with us, Rev. Martin Smith, Tom Halliwell, Tony Campbell, Brother Anthony Jukes SSS, Molly Byrnes, Kevin Barnes, Elizabeth Garcia, Mary Cobham, and for all sick people known to parishioners.

PLEASE PRAY FOR ALL OUR DEPARTED: all who died recently, Danny Gammans and Carol Bagwell connected with us; those who died in violence over the past week, and the following whose anniversaries occur about this time: Catherine Callaghan, Jim Hayes, Dawn Jackson, William Reginald Gallagher, Harry Minshull, Rosina O'Connor, Florence Porter, John Cutajar, Adrienne Greenwood, Joe Burgess, Doris Lakin, Thomas Coyne, James Fisher, Imelda Mary Hargreaves, Kathleen Addison-Jones, Ivy Lynch, Mary Douglas, Gary Tomlinson, Francis Keith Lennighan, Ted Harte, Matthew Kevin Miller, Jean Horrocks.

THIS WEEK Today: 4th SUNDAY of Advent

No Journey in Faith: it resumes 14 January 2018

Family Rota of Prayer Helme family 8 Windsor Road

NEXT Sunday Feast of Holy Family

The Family Rota of Prayer Godinho family 70 Great Park Drive

WORD OF LIFE *Here am I, the servant of the Lord;*

let it be with me according to your word. (Lk 1: 38).

We can be helped to live this phrase of the Gospel by what Chiara said about accepting the Word of God as Mary did: '... being completely available, knowing that it is not merely a human word. As it is the Word of God, it contains a presence of Christ. So you can receive Christ, in His Word, within you. Then, put it into practice actively and readily, moment by moment. If you do this, the world will once again see Christ walking through the streets of our cities. Christ in you, clothed like everyone else. Christ at work in offices, schools and the most varied places; Christ amongst all.'

The Word of Life available in full in front of the piety shop (New City), & the website

MASS TIMINGS for Week 1 – 7 January. Note the times!!

Monday 1st January 2018 *Mary Mother of God First Mass of the New Year.* NB Note the time 11:00 Doris Lakin RIP

Tuesday 2nd January *St Basil the Great & St Gregory Nazianzen* 10.00 Jennifer Cunningham (nee McCarthy) RIP

Wednesday 3rd January 10:00 Gammans family
1.45pm *Funeral service for Barbara Anne Littler*

Thursday 4th January 10:00 Mary Taylor RIP

Friday 5th January 10.00 Wilson family and friends
12.15 Requiem mass Patrick Mills

Saturday 6th January 10.00 Barrie Cox RIP (J&E)
6.00 (*Vigil*) E B C / Bond Family intentions

Sunday 7th January *Feast of the Epiphany*

9.30 The Parish / Patrick Mills recently died.

11.00 Bridie Dempsey's Intentions / Barbara Littler recently died

THIS WEEK Today: Feast of the Holy Family

Family Rota of Prayer Godinho family 70 Great Park Drive

Tuesday 2 January: SVP 7.30pm

NEXT Sunday Feast of the Epiphany

The Family Rota of Prayer Halliwell family 26 The Laund

A heartfelt thank you to everyone who has generously donated to the Food bank, via Churches, supermarkets, schools and colleges, businesses and individuals your generosity is much appreciated. God Bless you.

Pope Francis Message for Christmas to us all. A faith that does not trouble us is a troubled faith. A faith that does not make us grow is a faith that needs to grow. A faith that does not raise questions is a faith that has to be questioned. A faith that does not rouse us is a faith that needs to be roused. A faith that does not shake us is a faith that needs to be shaken. Indeed, a faith which is only intellectual or lukewarm is only a notion of faith. It can become real once it touches our heart, our soul, our spirit and our whole being. Once it allows God to be born and reborn in the manger of our heart. Once we let the star of Bethlehem guide us to the place where the Son of God lies, not among Kings and riches, but among the poor and humble. As Angelus Silesius wrote in *The Cherubic Wanderer*: "It depends solely on you. Ah, if only your heart could become a manger, then God would once again become a child on this earth. HAPPY AND HOLY CHRISTMAS to all from us all in the Priory