

CATHOLIC CHURCH OF ST MARY & ST ANDREW

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MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday 7 th	7.00pm	People of the Parish
Sunday 8 th	8.30am	Packie Joe, Kathleen & Denis Healy (A)
	10.30am	Jesuina Parreira (A)
	12noon	Francis Leonard, Sheila Ryan,
		Nancy O'Donnell, Eddie McMahon
		& Eileen Mallon (A)
Monday 9 th	9.30am	Janina Glen (A)
Tuesday 10 th	9.30am	Tommy Kelly (RIP)
Wednesday 11 th	9.30am	Mary & Martin Cosgrave (INT)
Thursday 12 th	9.30am	No service
Friday 13 th	9.30am	No service
Saturday 14 th	7.00pm	Sean McLoughlin (RIP)
Sunday 15 th	8.30am	Nora Fox (RIP)
	10.30am	Tommy & Frank Melvin (A)
	12noon	Angela Kerins (A)

AVAILABILITY - If you would like to see Fr Michael without having first made an appointment, he will next be available on <u>Monday between 5pm- 6pm</u>

mary's meals

Mary's Meals, the charity that feeds children one good meal every school day in their place of education will be speaking, and there will be a collection at Masses next weekend. Inspired by Medjugorje

and the prayers of Our Lady the charity continues to grow feeding in 20 countries such as Malawi, Haiti, India and Syria. Mary's Meals currently has an exciting campaign called 'Double the Love' running until the end of January 2023, in which every donation received will be matched by a group of generous donors, up to £1.5 million. Please note there <u>isn't a</u> <u>collection of unwanted clothes</u> – this has now ended.



THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD 8™ JANUARY 2023



We saw his star and have come to do the king homage Matthew 2: 1-12

The Epiphany is the feast of the catholicity of the Church. This means that the Church is for everyone, in all places and at all times. The opposite of catholic is exclusive. But the Church is not exclusive; it's all embracing and catholic. We don't stand like nightclub bouncers at our Church entrances, deciding on who should be let in and who should be excluded. We stand there to welcome in anyone of any race, colour or creed who wants to know more about Jesus Christ, the God who became one of us. And so the wise men entered the stable at Bethlehem at the end of their star-led journey to find this new king and to pay him homage. The Magi from the East show that Christ's message was not just for the neighbours, but for everyone. Epiphany if Christ's manifestation to the whole world, far and wide. You and I are called on today to be both stars and wise men. It was a star that led the Magi to know where to find Jesus. In a world that seems so often to flounder in a sea of darkness we are called to shine. to shed our light on the difficult task of making sense of life. We are to offer the wisdom of God to a world that seeks true meaning. We must presume that, when the Magi left, they returned home to tell other people about what they had seen and heard. It would be pointless to keep it to themselves. So too with us. We cannot leave it to those with theology degrees to let the world know what a difference believing in Jesus makes. We must be Magi, wise men and women. A simple test of how we are doing as Magi in the 21st Century is to ask ourselves what sort of advert we are for Christianity? Are we ashamed of Good News or proud to let others know how much it means to us? And at the end of this new year how many people will we have led to Jesus by the way we live?

Repository (Piety shop)

Weekend of 7th/8th January 7pm: Marion McGirr 8.30am: Phyllis Lynch, Eileen Buckley 10.30am: Jayne Shaw **12noon:** Esther Chapman Weekend of 14th/15th January 7pm: Lina Clinton 8.30am: Phyllis Lynch, Eileen Buckley 10.30am: Natalia Kasiarz 12noon: Julie Hamill



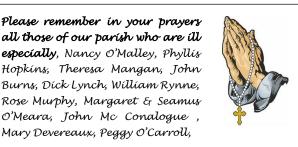
COUNTERS

7th/8th January Maria Cosgrave & Stefan Vnuk 14th/15th January Rose Saker & Ann Kirk

CRIB APPEAL 2022



This Christmas our Crib Offering will be donated to the Catholic Children's Society to support their work with disadvantaged children & families. This will help provide mental health services, family support and emergency grants for vulnerable children in our Diocese. Thank you.



Norma De Barbora, Patricia Moore, Rita Morris Elízabeth Maczugowskí, & Ebun Khalídson, and all those that have died recently.

Mary Devereaux, Peggy O'Carroll,

Contactless Donations - You will find our DIGITAL COLLECTION PLATE (contactless terminal) in the church on the wall just inside the main doors. PLEASE DO NOT STAND IN FRONT OF IT AND BLOCK IT. Just use your contactless debit/credit card or smart phone/ device to make a donation. Simply choose the amount you wish to donate and hold your card onto the reader. You can also opt-in for Gift Aid to increase your donation by 25%. If you are a UK taxpayer then donating with Gift Aid means that we can claim an extra 25p for every £1 received. Contactless donations are simple to administer, secure and convenient.



OR you can donate to the parish by scanning the QR code (on the right) with your smart phone or device.



The next Pre-Baptism meeting will take place on Saturday 25th March at 11.00am in the side chapel for parents who wish to have their child baptised. Please see Fr Michael beforehand to fill in an application form. Please note:



*at least one parent should be baptised Catholic, *parents should be attending regular Sunday mass

*they should be living within the parish boundaries, and be registered with St Mary & St Andrew Church. *at least one Godparent should be a practising Catholic, both should be Christian.

CONFIRMATION 2023

Classes resume Thursday 19th January at 7pm in the hall, and candidates are reminded that they should be signing in for mass on the list in the side chapel!





First Holy Communion 2023

Next class (and next parents meeting), Monday 20th February at 6.30pm. Parents please make sure you are ticking the mass attendance sheet in the side chapel!

Our Lady of Grace Catholic Infant School

Nursery and Reception for September 2023 are still available. Please note:- For Reception class, you need to apply through your local council by the 15th January! For Nursery, apply directly to the school as soon as possible using the following link https://www.ologinfants.brent.sch.uk/ParentsInformation/Admissions

THE TODDLER CLUB IS BACK ON WEDNESDAY 11[™] JANUARY!

PARISH ACTIVITIES/GROUPS

ZUMBA GOLD & TONING – Mondays at 10.30am in the parish centre – Book your place at www.fitter4u.co.uk - Contact Maggie Hollowed on 07736 070 101 **BIAS** (Brent Irish Advisory Service) – Tuesdays 12noon to 2.30pm. No need to book, just come along. For details contact Maggie Hollowed on 07514 945 095 TAE-KWON-DO CLUB – Tuesdays 6.00pm to 8pm & Fridays 6.00pm to 8.00pm Contact Julian Marton to book on 07947 689 304 **Rhyme Time with Gifty** — For Babies & Todlers Wednesdays 10 to 11am Term Time Only - Contact Gifty for details on 07949 764 986 **IRISH DANCING -** <u>Wednesdays 4.30pm to 5.30pm</u> Beginners 4+ <u>Term time only</u> Contact Marian Keely on 07903 977 658 SUPPLE STRENGTH AND CONDITIONING CLASS – Wednesday evenings– Book your place at www.fitter4u.co.uk 7.15pm to 8.15pm - Contact Maggie Hollowed on 07736 070 101 360 ARTS DRAMA CLASS – <u>Saturday</u> mornings in the parish centre 10.00am to 1.00pm

Contact Carol Brophy on 07961 025 582