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THE HOLY FAMILY OF JESUS, MARY & JOSEPH - B

Genesis 15:1-6, 21:1-3 Hebrews 11:8, 11-12, 17-19 Luke 2:22-40

27th December 2020

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THANK YOU

To everyone who helped make Christmas such a lovely celebration in this extraordinary year 2020. The celebration of Christmas has been particularly important and truly meaningful for us in the current climate of uncertainty due to COVID-19. We were indeed delighted to gather in Church, even if under restrictions, to celebrate Christmas as a parish community. I thank all of you who were able to come to our (rather austere) Christmas Masses. I'm sorry for those who wished to come and couldn't book a place, I pray for your understanding and hope you will be able to attend Mass during the Christmas Octave; Remember that from 25th December -1st January everyday is Christmas. Thank you to those who connected to our Masses via YouTube and were able to participate in the celebrations from home.

I wish to express my most sincere gratitude to all the parishioners of SJF for your generosity and support. Thank you for the lovely cards with all your beautiful messages of encouragement and support, and for all the countless gifts and presents I have received this year. I have now enough wine and sweets to see me through the next lockdown! I really appreciate your kindness and generosity.

A big THANK YOU to all the volunteers, stewards and church's cleaners who have worked so hard this year to make us feel safe in Church. I wish to add a final word of appreciation to the tireless efforts of Ana Hains, our parish manager, to guide us safely through the COVID crisis; implementing COVID safety policies, recruiting, training and coordinating volunteers and for looking after our parishioners with all the care and dedication.

Please continue to pray for the sick and housebound of our parish, for those who are most vulnerable and for those who feel lonely and isolated. Let's look at the coming year 2021 with the hope of returning to some "normality". Stay safe!

UPCOMING MASSES

Monday 28th	Mass	10.00am	(Livestreamed)
Tuesday 29th	Mass	10.00am	(Livestreamed)
Thursday 31st	Mass	10.00am	(Livestreamed)

January 2021

Friday 1st	New Year's Day - Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God		
	Mass	12.00noon	Fully Booked (Livestreamed)
Saturday 2nd	Mass	6.30pm	Booking Essential
Sunday 3rd	Mass	9.30am	Booking Essential
		11.30am	Booking Essential (Livestreamed)
Monday 4th	Mass	10.00am	(Livestreamed)
Tuesday 5th	Mass	10.00am	(Livestreamed)
	Vigil Mass	7.30pm	Booking Essential
Wednesday 6th	The Epiphany		
	Mass	10.00am	Booking Essential (Livestreamed)

**WE WISH YOU ALL A VERY HAPPY
& BLESSED NEW YEAR**

Fr. Agustin and Ana

CHARITY 3 - MARY'S MEALS

There is still time to donate to the Mary's Meals appeal - 'Our Big Family Christmas Dinner'. By donating towards a place at their virtual table for just £15.90 you can help feed a child at a place of education in some of the world's poorest communities for an entire school year. And it gets even better! **Give until 31 January 2021 and your donation will be doubled by the UK government**, meaning Mary's Meals can reach even more hungry children with life-changing school meals.

To donate please visit [Big Family Christmas | Mary's Meals](#)

If you are unable to donate online, please place your donation in an envelope and we will donate on your behalf.

CHARITY 4 - CATHOLIC CHILDREN'S SOCIETY

You are invited to make a 'Crib Offering' again this year, which will be donated to the Catholic Children's Society **to support their work with disadvantaged children and families in the UK**. Your donations will help bring hope and change to children and families living in poverty, as well as those experiencing emotional and psychological distress. Through their services, the Catholic Children's Society aim to help children overcome disadvantage, achieve their full potential and have better chances in life. **(A separate collection box is available in the lobby for your donations)**

THANK YOU

To everyone who has been able to support one of our Advent charities this year whether directly online, at your supermarket or via us at the church. As so much has been given privately, it is not possible to know how much has been donated but, no matter how big or small the donation, I'm sure each of the charities has welcomed the much needed support.

Thank you also for your weekly donations to the parish. We are very grateful to everyone who has continued to support us during such a difficult year especially those of you who, whilst not being able to attend Mass, have still maintained your contributions or have used this time to change to a regular standing order. It is only with your donations that we are able to do things such as install livestreaming equipment and complete essential work on the roof.

We will soon be launching another way to donate via Virgin Money Giving. Further information will be available in the New Year.

CONFIRMATION PROGRAMME 2021

Registration is now open for the next Confirmation programme. **Young people in Year 8 or above**, who feel ready to prepare for this Sacrament, can apply. The programme will start during the spring term with Masses later in the year, in October 2021.

If you would like to apply, please contact the parish office.
Email: perivale@rcdow.org.uk or Telephone: 0208 997 3164

EVERY DAY IS CHRISTMAS DAY - A JOURNEY THROUGH THE CHRISTMAS OCTAVE

25th December - 1st January

To help you celebrate the Christmas Octave either at church or at home, the Agency for Evangelisation has produced a beautiful booklet of readings, prayers and reflections which we hope you will enjoy. [Every Day is Christmas Day](#)

(Copies of the booklet are also available in the church lobby)

CONGRATULATIONS to LEON ROSARIO

who will be baptised during this Sunday's 11.30am Mass. Please pray for him as he is welcomed into the Holy Church, his parents and godparents.

CANDLELIGHT

This week in memory of
LAURANCE D'COLYSE

Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord,
and let perpetual light shine upon them.

LITURGY TIMES THIS WEEK

Saturday	26	Mass	6.30pm	Bernie Higgins and Family
Sunday	27	Mass	9.30am	In Thanksgiving
			11.30am	Alcinda Ramos RIP
Monday	28	Mass	10.00am	Leonard Cabral RIP
Tuesday	29	Mass	10.00am	John Curran
Wednesday	30	No Masses		
Thursday	31	Mass	10.00am	Patrick Mahon RIP (Anniv)
Friday	1	Mass	12.00noon	George Burns RIP (Anniv)
Saturday	2	Mass	6.30pm	Margaret Cuffe (Unwell)

SECOND SUNDAY AFTER THE NATIVITY - B

Sunday	3	Mass	9.30am	Wellbeing and success during exams
			11.30am	Alcinda Ramos RIP

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament: Mondays after Mass from 10.30am-11.00am
Confession: Saturdays 5.15pm - 6.00pm or by appointment.

Please pray for: Gigi Reale, Jo Dearlove, Malgorzata Myrkwa, Terril Park, George Brum, Chris Keeffe, David Newbert, Teresa Oatway, Stephen Connellan, Stanley Cummins, Avit Castillo, Avelina Pelaez Siddiqi, Marlene Lock, Michael Delaney, Maria Wales, Suzanne Acton, Carl Bryan, **for those who died recently:** Breda Connellan, William Talbutt and Philomena Feighery **and for those whose anniversaries occur about this time:** Virginia (Ginny) Robbins, Mary Young, Eileen Elston, Bridie Reynolds, Raymond Carter, Margaret Walsh, John Burke, Anna Sleater, Nicholas Fardey, Bridget Markey, Michael O'Neill, Monica Strabel, Nora Keigher, Pushpa Fernando, James Mulcahy, Johnny Leung, Kate Quinn, Sean Healy,, Patrick Mahon and George Burns

THANK YOU FOR LAST WEEK'S DONATIONS

Envelopes £ 1,300.86 Loose Plate £ 176.75 Standing Orders £ 365.00
Total £ 1,842.61

PARISH OFFICE

Will be closed Wednesday 30th Dec,
Thursday 31st Dec and Friday 1st Jan