



Church of the Most Sacred Heart

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Normal Mass Times:

Saturday

Vigil Mass: 18.00

Sunday

8.30, 10.00, 11.30, 18.00

Monday – Saturday

10.00 and as announced

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament:

Mon - Fri: 10.30 – 11.00am

Sat: 10.30 – 12.00noon

Saturday

Sacrament of Reconciliation:

10.30-11.30, 17.15 – 17.30

Collections

Envelopes	£	1401.80
Loose	£	1040.00
Total	£	2441.80

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

This week our suggested intention to focus is the Christians in the Holy Land.

With Deepest Sympathy

We offer our sympathy and prayers to the family and friends of:

Sheila Carey whose Funeral Mass takes place at St Thomas More Church, Eastcote at **12.30pm** on **Tuesday 18th December**.

Attracta Timothy whose Funeral Mass takes place here on **Wednesday 19th December** at **11.30pm**. May they rest in peace.

Baptism Congratulations

Congratulations to Alice Arokiam who was baptized in our Church this weekend.

Parish Priest: **Fr. Duncan M. Adamson**

Assistant Priest: **Fr. Sebastian Joseph**

Seminarian: **William Johnstone**

Parish Administrator: **Anne O'Connor**

Catechetical Co-ordinator: **Jo Marsh**

Pastoral Youth Worker: **Siobhan Denny**

Parish Office Hours: Mon, Tues, Thur, Fri 9.00am-1.00pm

Parish Office Closed on Wednesdays

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3rd Sunday of Advent

Fr. Duncan writes: Today we celebrate the Third Sunday of Advent, 'Gaudete' Sunday. This name comes from the first word of the Entry Antiphon for today's Mass 'Rejoice'. In our ordinary lives anticipating an event can bring as much joy as the event itself. So it is with the season of Advent. We know that the Son of God was born once long ago. And we prepare, once again, to celebrate that event with rejoicing. As we continue our preparation by reflecting deeply on the Incarnation, Jesus truly God Truly Man, the Word made flesh. Let us open our hearts to share ever more in this mystery of God's closeness to the human family. To help us with our Advent preparations, our Parish Reconciliation Service will be on **Tuesday 18th December** at **7.30pm**, with several visiting priests joining us.

Christmas Message

This weekend the Christmas Message is available with all the Christmas and New Year service times. This comes from Fr. Sebastian, William and myself with our prayers and blessings for Christmas and the New Year. May God bless you all. Please take a copy

Christmas Envelopes

This weekend, Christmas envelopes are available at the back of the Church. These are for your gifts to the priests of our Parish at Christmas. It is this money, together with the Easter collection which makes up our annual salary as priests.

Christmas Dates for Your Diary

Christmas Masses: Carols at **6.30pm**, Vigil Mass **7.00pm**: Carols at **10.00pm**, Mass in the night **10.30pm**.

Christmas Morning Masses: **8.30am**, **10.00am** and **12.00 noon**. **NO Evening Mass**

New Year's Day, Solemnity of Mary Mother of God: **10.30am**.

Parish Carol Service

Our Parish Carol Service will take place today **Sunday 16th December** at **3.00pm** followed by tea, coffee, mulled wine and mince pies in the Coffee Lounge. This year our three choirs will be joined by the scouts, cubs, beavers, guides, brownies and rainbows. Please come and join them.

Senior Citizens Carol Afternoon Tea - Monday 17th December

Once again this year the Sacred Heart School would like to invite Senior Citizens over 65 to an afternoon of entertainment in the school hall on **Monday 17th December** at **1.30pm**. If anyone from the Parish would like to come along, please contact the school office on **01895 633240** in advance. There is plenty of parking available in the Rugby Club which is a short walk from the school entrance. However, we are very happy for cars to drop off at the office via the main drive and then pick up at the end. Please do come along to see and listen to the Christmas songs the children have been learning. They would love to have a large audience!

Signing of Primary and Nursery School Priest Reference Forms

Fr. Duncan has set the following dates for the signing of Certificate of Catholic Practice forms in the coffee lounge. Please see the lists of appointments available in the foyer after all weekend Masses and write your details next to an available appointment time, one slot per family. Fr. Duncan will NOT see any parents or sign forms without a prior appointment, the dates available are:

Wednesday 9th January: 3.00-5.00pm and **Saturday 12th January: 2.30-4.00pm**

NB: The Certificate of Catholic Practice is a statement that the child concerned is being raised in a practicing Catholic family. This means that the family are fulfilling the commandments by coming to Mass each Sunday. If this is not the case, you are unlikely to get a certificate!

Westminster Year Books

These are now available from the Repository (£4.50)

Jubilee Trust Lottery

The Jubilee Trust draw will take place today **Sunday 16th December** after the Christmas Carol Concert. Please ensure your application is in for the lottery by **Friday 14th December**. Green forms are still available in the foyer. Remember - you've got to be in it to win it!!!

Youth Club Helpers Needed!

There are now two youth clubs running on a Thursday evening. Younger Youth Club for school years 4&5 **5.30-6.30pm** and Older Youth Club for school years 6-9 **7-8.30pm** and we really need some more adult helpers. If you think you could help even if it is once a fortnight or once a month. Contact Siobhan on **07908111796** or siobhandenny@rcdow.org.uk Many thanks.

APF Magazine

Please take a free APF calendar from the table in the foyer. Would all APF promoters please pick up your envelope from the porch for distribution. Many thanks.

Walsingham Association

The Walsingham Association prayer group will be next meeting this **Friday 21st December** at **7.15pm** to pray together.

RedCaps

If anyone would like to join the RedCaps group for Lourdes 2019 then please come along to the meeting in the coffee lounge on **Sunday 16th December** at **7pm**.

Food Bank Collection

The SVP are holding their last collection this **Sunday, 16th December** for the Hillingdon Food Bank. The food bank has a really serious need for families in our area. Any non-perishable goods are welcomed. Many thanks.

Altar Servers

Please fill in the list in the sacristy to let us know which Christmas Mass you will be attending. You are also reminded that the annual Festal Mass takes place at **10:30am** on **St Stephen's Day, 26th December** and you are expected to attend. During this Mass two servers will receive Silver Medals for long and distinguished service, those who have successfully completed probationary service will be enrolled into the Guild of St Stephen and others will receive Certificates for exemplary service.

New Altar Servers

Do you think you might like to become an Altar Server? If you have made your first Communion and would like to find out more, please attend a meeting in the church at **7:00pm** on **Monday 14th January** which will be followed by weekly training sessions each Monday to Easter. Altar serving is a serious commitment and attendance at the first meeting is essential; anyone not attending the meeting will not be able to join the course in later weeks. A parent or guardian must attend this first meeting with any under 16 year olds.

Christmas Disco (Reception to year 2)

There will be a Christmas Disco on **Wednesday 19th December 5.30-7pm** in Hesdin hall for school years Reception to year two. (Children must be accompanied by parents that can stay for the whole time). Tickets are **£5** and include a drink and a snack at the entrance. There will be a tuck shop and dance competitions. Money raised will go to the RedCaps funds for their trip to Lourdes in July 2019. To reserve tickets please contact Siobhan - siobhandenny@rcdow.org.uk or **07908111796**

Christmas Disco (years 3-6)

There will be a Christmas Disco on **Friday 21st December 5.30-7pm** in Hesdin Hall for school years 3 to 6. (Parents are not required to stay). Tickets are **£5** and include a drink and a slice of pizza. There will be party games and a tuck shop. Money raised will go to the RedCaps funds for their trip to Lourdes in July 2019. To reserve tickets please contact Siobhan - siobhandenny@rcdow.org.uk or **07908111796**.

Mass Intentions for the Week: 15th – 23rd December 2018

Saturday 15 th December	10.00 Timothy Emmanuel, R.I.P. (Ann.) 18.00 Hermogenes & Natividad Manigos, R.I.P. (Ann.)	
Sunday 16 th December 3rd Sunday of Advent	08.30 For You the People 10.00 Patrick & Marion Redmond, R.I.P. 11.30 Mary & Tom Cox, R.I.P.(Ann.) 18.00 Jim Devine, R.I.P. (Ann.)	<i>(folk)</i>
Monday 17 th December	10.00 Antonio Conte & Mary Morris, R.I.P. Tess Lane Intentions	
Tuesday 18 th December	10.00 Mary Emmanuel, R.I.P. (Ann.) Mary & Frank Walsh Intentions 19.30 Advent Reconciliation Service	
Wednesday 19 th December	10.00 Special Intentions 11.30 Funeral Mass: Attracta Timothy, R.I.P.	
Thursday 20 th December	08.00 Russ Gomez, R.I.P. (Ann.) 10.00 Johanna & Charles Killington, R.I.P.	
Friday 21 st December St. Peter Canisius	10.00 Brian & Bernadette Kenny, R.I.P. 19.15 Walsingham Prayer Group 20.00 Christian George, R.I.P. (Ann.)	
Saturday 22 nd December	10.00 Basil Garsed, R.I.P. (Ann.) 18.00 Christian Torres, R.I.P. (Ann.)	
Sunday 23 rd December 4th Sunday of Advent	08.30 For You the People 10.00 Tony Pycio, R.I.P. <i>(children's choir)</i> 11.30 Kurt Bachtler & Berger Franz, R.I.P. 18.00 Elizabeth Savage, R.I.P. (Ann.)	

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK AND HOUSEBOUND:

Harry Butler, Lily Fehin, Carmel Galanty, Doreen Jones, Rose Pick, Pat Walsh, Marjorie Shaw, Caroline Titley, Claire Wilson, Edna Winwright, Mary Worley, Bernadette Campbell, Danny Sheppard, Susan Acton, Lisa O'Sullivan, Bernadeta Herrera, Fiona O'Leary, Peggy Heywood, Nora Bond, Lottie Lea, Livia Emmanuel, Joan Doughty, Pauline Walsh, Simon Mott and Flo D'Cruz.

AND FOR THOSE WHOSE ANNIVERSARY OCCURS ABOUT THIS TIME:

Nicholas Pereira, Timothy Emmanuel, Hermogenes & Natividad Manigos, Mary Cox, Jim Devine, Mary Emmanuel, Russ Gomez, Albert Shaw, Christian George, Canon John McDonald and Joseph Solis

God Bless
Fr. Duncan