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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

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Envelopes	£	1276.07
Loose	£	649.32
Total	£	1925.39

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

This week our suggested intention to focus is all mothers.

Crib Appeal Collection

The money collected at the crib will be donated to the Catholic Children's Society (Westminster). They thank us for our support which has enabled them to offer a wide range of services to children and families in our Diocese.

E-Alerts: Becoming a Paperless Parish

If you would like to receive a copy of the weekly parish newsletter straight to your inbox, please sign into the Parish e-Alerts on our parish website.

Westminster Year Books These are now available from the Repository (£4.50).

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The Epiphany of the Lord

Fr. Duncan writes: This Sunday we celebrate the Feast of the Epiphany. The word Epiphany means 'manifestation', showing. This great feast commemorates the manifestation of God through Christ to the whole world symbolised by the Three Kings, the Magi from the East who came to Bethlehem to see the infant king in the manger. On this day we celebrate the fact that Jesus, Son of God, reveals himself to all peoples as their Saviour. We gather to do him homage.

Grateful Thanks

Thank you for the many cards and gifts and for your generosity in the Christmas Collection. I am very grateful for the many kindnesses you show me and my brother priests, not just at this time of the year, but throughout the year. May God bless you all.

Many Thanks

To everyone who helped to make Christmas such a lovely celebration in our parish, to Sarah and the Folk Group; Adrian our Organist and the Choir; Daniella and the children's choir; Clement and the altar servers; our Readers and Eucharistic Ministers; the Flower Ladies for the lovely floral arrangements; collectors and sidesmen; sacristans and cleaners and Andy and his team for the cribs and Christmas Trees, also to Anne, our Parish Administrator, Jo, our Catechetical Co-ordinator; Siobhan and her youth team. It was wonderful to see the vast numbers who attended all of our Christmas Services from the Carol Service; the Reconciliation Service and all of our Christmas Masses. Fr. Duncan thanks you for all your hard work and dedication, not only at Christmas but throughout the past year. May the Lord bless all your efforts in the coming year.

Christmas Envelopes

The Christmas envelopes 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.

Walsingham Association

The Walsingham Association exists primarily to spread devotion to Our Lady of Walsingham and encourage pilgrimage to her Shrine. The Association was founded in 1933, and now has some 50 branches throughout the country. We have a branch of the Walsingham Association in our parish. There is a small group who meet to pray together. Would you like to join us? We meet on the third Friday of the month at 7.15pm to pray together and so deepen our relationship with Our Blessed Lady. Please come and join us on *Friday 17th January at 7.15pm*.

Signing of Primary and Nursery School Priest Reference Forms

Fr. Duncan has set the following date for the signing of Certificate of Catholic Practice forms in the coffee lounge. Please see the list 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 next available date is: *Wednesday 8th January 3.30-5.00pm.*

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!

Baptism Congratulations

Congratulations to Amberlie Dowling who will be baptized in our Church this weekend.

Parish Council

The next meeting of the Parish Council will be on *Tuesday 7th January* at **7.45pm** in the Warrender Room.

Knights of St. Columba

The next meeting is on *Monday 13th Jan 8pm* in the coffee lounge. Any male parishioners are welcome.

Food Bank Collection

Many thanks to all those who supported our SVP and contributed to the Hillingdon Food Bank collections over the past four weeks.

References

Should you require a reference from Fr Duncan it is important that you speak to me personally. There are over 2500 people who regularly come to Mass in our parish. Whilst I know most of the people in our parish, sometimes it is difficult to match names and faces!

Malayalam Mass

Mass in Malayalam (Kerala) Fr. Sebastian will be saying a Mass in Malayalam on *Sunday 5th January* at *4pm*. All welcome.

With Deepest Sympathy We offer our sympathy and prayers to the family and friends of Nora Harris whose Funeral Mass takes place on *Monday 13th January* at *12noon* followed by Committal at Breakspear Crematorium.

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 Mon 13th 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.

Confirmation

Our next preparation sessions for confirmation candidates take place in Hesdin Hall **7:15-8:45pm**: Group A - **Tuesday 14**th **Jan**: Group B - **Tuesday 21st Jan**: Group C - **Tuesday 28th Jan** Look forward to seeing you there!

Why? Course

As we start the New Year, why not join us for three informal sessions of faith and friendship to explore Catholic answers to three big questions of our faith: Why God? - *Wednesday 29th Jan 7:30pm - 8:45pm* Why Christ? - *Wednesday 5th Feb 7:30pm - 8:45pm* Why the Church? - *Wednesday 12th Feb 7:30pm - 8:45pm*

First Reconciliation & First Holy Communion Preparation

Next **Sunday 12**th **January** we welcome the families of children preparing for these great sacraments to **10am** Mass. Children's parish sessions continue after this Mass for Groups 1 & 2 in Hesdin Hall. Please continue to pray for these families at this important time in their faith journey.

Getting Married

If there are any couples living in the parish planning to get married during this year, either in this parish or elsewhere, please speak to Fr. Duncan as soon as possible. A minimum of six months' notice is required for marriage.

Mothers Prayer Meetings

We are an informal group of mothers who meet monthly to offer prayers for our children. Our first meeting of the new year is today, **Sunday 5th January, 4.00-5.00pm** at 6 Deborah Crescent, Ruislip followed by tea and coffee. For more details, please contact Jenny on **01895 622196**.

First Friday Lunch – February 2020

The next Lunch is *Friday* 7th *February*. Why not join us in the Coffee Lounge at **12.30pm** for a home-cooked lunch (£5.00).

Mass Intentions for the Week: 4th – 12th January 2020

Saturday 4 th January	10.00 Susanna & Joseph Solis, R.I.P. (Ann.) 18.00 Mary Egan, R.I.P.	
Sunday 5 th January <i>The Epiphany of the Lord</i>	08.30 For you the people 10.00 Ros Healey, R.I.P. (folk group) 11.30 Sue Cutts, R.I.P. & Ernie Cutts Intentions 16.00 Nina Gonsalves, R.I.P. (Malayalam Mass) 18.00 Kevin Hynes, R.I.P.	
Monday 6 th January	10.00 Pat Walsh, R.I.P. (Rosary Group) Vonnie Park Intentions	
Tuesday 7 th January	10.00 Kevin McDevitt & Family Intentions Patrick Geoghegan Intentions	
Wednesday 8 th January	10.00 Bernadette Marston, R.I.P. Brendan Doorly, R.I.P.(Ann.)	
Thursday 9 th January	08.00 Sheila & Kenneth Burgess, R.I.P. 10.00 Joseph Larkin, R.I.P.	
Friday 10 th January	10.00 Morty Shea, R.I.P. (Ann.) 20.00 Lily Smith, R.I.P.	
Saturday 11 th January	10.00 Daniel McMahon, R.I.P. (Ann.) 18.00 John Conway, R.I.P.(Ann.)	
Sunday 12 th January <i>The Epiphany of the Lord</i>	08.30 For you the people 10.00 Arthur Bonnar, R.I.P. (Ann.) 11.30 Josie Taggart, R.I.P. 18.00 Josephine Kenny, R.I.P. (Ann.)	
(Please note the Rosany is recited every week day morning in the Church at 9 30am)		

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PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK AND HOUSEBOUND:

Harry Butler, Lily Fehin, Carmel Galanty, Doreen Jones, Rose Pick, Marjorie Shaw, Caroline Titley, Claire Wilson, Edna Winwright, Mary Worley, Bernadette Campbell, Danny Sheppard, Susan Acton, Bernadeta Herrera, Fiona O'Leary, Nora Bond, Livia Emmanuel, Pauline Walsh, Simon Mott, Claire Wilmshurst, Mary Walsh, Edward Vivier, Carmel Keane, Janet Smith, Sheila Morrson and Kevin Horner.

AND FOR THOSE WHOSE ANNIVERSARY OCCURS ABOUT THIS TIME:

Breda McInerney, Susanna Solis, Brendan Doorly and Morty Shea.