

Church of the Most
Sacred Heart

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**Mass times**

**Sunday**-**9.00am, 10.30am 12.00noon, 6.00pm**

**Mondays, Tuesdays and Wednesdays – 10.00am**

 **Thursdays – 8.00am and 10.00am**

**Fridays – 10.00am and 8.00pm**

**Saturdays – 10.00am, 4.00pm, 6.00pm (Vigil Masses)**

**Saturday: Sacrament of Reconciliation**:
**10.30-11.00am**

***4th Sunday of Advent & The Holy Family
Fr. Duncan writes:*** This Sunday we celebrate the Fourth Sunday of Advent. On Friday we celebrate the Feast of the Birthday of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. On Christmas Day at all our Masses my thoughts and prayers will be for the people of our parish, for those visiting our parish at Christmas and for your families, wherever they may be. This has not been an easy year. We have all had to make changes to what we do, as we cope with the Coronavirus pandemic. At this time of year, we remember all of our parishioners who have died and those families who have lost someone close to them during this past year. We appreciate your loss and want you to know that we are thinking of you at this time.

Christmas is very much a children’s feast, as it commemorates the birth of the greatest child ever born. It is also very much a family feast as it commemorates the greatest family that ever existed. Next Sunday we celebrate the Feast of the Holy Family. At Christmas we celebrate the wonder that the Word of God took flesh in a human family. This prompts us to recognise the gifts of God in our families. As we gather to celebrate Mass during this Christmas Season, let us give thanks to God for our families. Let us also pray that we may be kept safe and well during this Christmas as we meet and greet our families in a different way this year.

On ***Friday 1st January***, the Solemnity of Mary, the Mother of God, our Mass will be at ***10.30am***.

The Rosary will be prayed at ***10.00am***.

**Christmas Masses**

This year Masses for Christmas Day will be celebrated at ***1600hrs, 1800hrs, 2000hrs, 2200hrs*** on Christmas Eve. On Christmas Morning Masses will be celebrated at ***0900hrs, 1030hrs*** and ***12.00 noon***. There are a limited number of places available at each Mass to ensure social distancing as per government guidelines. Please book Masses on the Eventbrite website <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/most-sacred-heart-parish-mass-tickets-111947782832> .

People who arrive without a booking will not be admitted unless space is available. In order to maintain social distancing PEOPLE WILL NOT BE PERMITTED TO STAND AT THE BACK OF THE CHURCH**.**The ***1600hrs, 1800hrs*** and ***1030hr*** Masses will be focused on the children and families of the parish.

Additionally, Mass will be celebrated in Hesdin Hall at ***1600hrs*** and ***1800hrs*** on Christmas Eve and at ***1030hrs*** on Christmas Day. These Masses will be focused on the children and families of our parish.

To reserve a place go to <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/most-sacred-heart-hesdin-hall-mass-tickets-120968017597>

**You will need to be in your place at least 10 minutes before Mass starts to claim your reservation. After that time, we cannot guarantee your place will be available.**

**Please check carefully when you book to ensure you have booked the Mass you want. We are now looking at the bookings to see how best to allocate the available seats. When you arrive you will be directed to a specific seat. This has been done to maximum the seating available. If the Mass you are looking for is full, you might like to try later as more places may be available. If you have booked and your arrangements change, please cancel your booking to help others looking for places. Don’t forget Christmas has an Octave. This means eight days of celebration. If you cannot come on Christmas Day, come later in the week and celebrate Christmas.**

**Signing of Primary & 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. ***Friday 8th Jan 6.00-7.00pm; Sat 9th Jan 11.00am-12noon; Mon 11th Jan 4.00-5.30pm;***Please follow this link to book your appointment: <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/most-sacred-heart-parish-primary-school-form-signing-tickets-120968769847>

o help with stewarding and cleaning in our parish. The Cardinal has asked us to pass on his thanks for all this hard work and dedication. If anyone else can help especially over the Christmas season, please have a word with either Fr Duncan or Fr Sebastian and let us know your availability. You can also email us on ruislip@rcdow.org.uk

The R.C.I.A. for next year will begin this 7October.If you know of someone – husband, wife, friend who might be interested in exploring whether God may be calling them to become a Catholic then please ask them and if so either you or they can contact me and I will give you further information. The important thing to remember is that we are all called to be evangelizers and to spread the Good News of Jesus Christ.

**Collections**

Envelopes £ 1076.70

Loose £ 540.50

**Total £ 1617.20**

**Registering for Mass**

Please follow this link to register for the Mass of your choice.
<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/most-sacred-heart-parish-mass-tickets-111947782832>
If you are unable to register online, please call Fr Sebastian on ***01895 632739*** between **11am – 6pm** for help. If your arrangements change and you cannot come to the Mass you have selected, please cancel your booking – someone else may be looking for a place.

**Livestream Webcam**

Masses are now live streamed from our church on <https://www.churchservices.tv/ruislipsacredheart>

**Christmas Holidays**

The Parish Office will be

closed from Christmas Eve

and re-open again on

***Monday 4th January 2021***.

**Jubilee Trust Lottery**

The draw will take place today ***Sunday 20th December*** at ***1pm*** and will be livestreamed after the ***12noon*** Mass. Forms are still available in the foyer. Remember - you've got to be in it to win it!!!

**St Paul’s Sunday Missal**

These missals cover all the Sundays and Holy Days throughout the year. There are some copies available in the Repository.

**Westminster Year Books**

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

## **Mass Intentions for: 19th December 2020 – 3rd January 2021**

Saturday 19th December 10.00 Bobby Lay, R.I.P.(Ann.)
  16.00 John & Mary Hollington Intentions **(Children’s Mass in Church)**
 18.00 Kenneth & Sheila Burgess, R.I.P.(Ann.)

Sunday 20th December 09.00 Josie Ryan, R.I.P.  ***4th Sunday of Advent*** 10.30 Crhistian George, R.I.P. (Ann.) **(Church)** 10.30 For You the People **(Children’s Mass in Hall)**12.00 Mary & Tom Cox, R.I.P .(Ann.)
 18.00Patrick & Marion Redmond, R.I.P.

Monday 21st December 10.00 Charles & Johanna Killington, R.I.P.

***St. Peter Canisius***  Bryan Hickey Intentions

Tuesday 22nd December 10.00 Basil Garsed, R.I.P. (Ann.)  Michael Cabey, R.I.P. (Ann.)

Wednesday 23rd December 10.00 Deceased Members of the Anstis Family & Margaret Cooper, R.I.P.

 Elizabeth Savage, R.I.P. (Ann.)

Thursday 24th December 08.00 Patricia Brooks, R.I.P.

10.00 Daragh Boylan, R.I.P.

 **🎄🎄Christmas Season🎄🎄

*Vigil Masses of Christmas***  16.00 Paddy McGuinness, R.I.P. **(Church)**

 16.00 John Walsh, R.I.P. **(Hall)**

 18.00 Nonie O’Sullivan, R.I.P. **(Church)**

 18.00 Mario Danielle, R.I.P. **(Hall)**

 20.00 Marian Marquis, R.I.P. **(Church)**

***Mass in the Night*** 22.00 Private Intentions **(Church)**

Friday 25th December 09.00Sick & Housebound of the parish **(Church)**

***The Nativity of the Lord*** 10.30 For You the People **(Church)**
  10.30 Alicia Penrose, R.I.P. **(Hall)**
 12.00 All Christmas Intentions **(Church)**
 **NO EVENING MASS**

Saturday 26th December **10.30** Stephen Connell, R.I.P.
***St. Stephen***  18.00 June Barnes, R.I.P.

Sunday 27th December 09.00 Michael Loughman, R.I.P. (Ann.) ***The Holy Family*** 10.30 Tony Pycio, R.I.P.  **(Church)** 10.30 For You the People **(Children’s Mass in Hall)**12.00 Gladys Hall, R.I.P .(Ann.)
 **NO EVENING MASS**

Monday 28th December 10.00 Sarah Fox McNulty, R.I.P.

***The Holy Innocents***  Friends & Family of the Steele Family

Tuesday 29thDecember 10.00 Josie Ryan, R.I.P.  ***St. Thomas Becket***  Joseph Stapleton, R.I.P.

Wednesday 30th December 10.00 Phyllis Houton, R.I.P.

 Maureen Cunningham, R.I.P.

Thursday 31st December 08.00 Frances Whelan, R.I.P. (Ann.)

***St. Sylvester*** 10.00 Mary & Patrick McCullagh, R.I.P. (Ann.)

 **HAPPY NEW YEAR 2021**

Friday 1st January **10.30** Agnes & James Adamson, R.I.P. (Ann.)

***Solemnity of Mary Mother of God*** 20.00 Mary Russell, R.I.P.

Saturday 2nd January 10.00 Susanna & Joseph Solis, R.I.P. (Ann.)
***Ss Basil & Gregory***  18.00 Francis Ryan, R.I.P. (Ann.)

Sunday 3rd January 09.00 Tess Kelliher, R.I.P.  ***Second Sunday After the Nativity*** 10.30 Mary & James Elmes, R.I.P. (Ann.) **(Church)** 10.30 For You the People **(Children’s Mass in Hall)**12.00 Deceased members of the Steele Family, R.I.P.

 16.00 Pravin Tanna, R.I.P.  **(Malayalam)**
 18.00 Deceased Members of the Zawirucha Family, R.I.P.

***Please remember in your prayers all the sick and housebound of our parish and***

***those whose anniversaries occur around this time. Happy Christmas, Fr. Duncan.***

**(Please note the Rosary is recited every week day morning in the Church at 9.30am)**

**Christmas Posters**

There are Christmas Posters, that have kindly been provided by the Knights of St Columba, for us to display, reminding people of the real meaning of Christmas.

**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 atChristmas. It is this money, together with the Easter collection which makes up our annual salary as priests.

**Christmas Message**

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

**Crib Appeal Collection**

The money collected at the crib will be donated to the Catholic Children’s Society (Westminster). They are very grateful for our support over the last year.

**Jubilee Trust Lottery**

'Many thanks to all those who have joined for this new lottery year. The list of members is displayed on our notice board by the enquiries desk in the Church foyer. Late subscribers are still welcome. Congratulations to the winners of the draw for December: Sheila Miles won the first prize of £500 and Sally Urquhart the second prize of £50'.

**Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist**

This Sunday at the 10am Mass Fr. Duncan will commission some more Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist to serve in our parish. I am very grateful to these people who have agreed to take on this important ministry. Our Ministers not only help in the Church but also take Holy Communion to the housebound, ensuring they are fed and nourished by the Lord on a regular basis.

**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 11th January*** which will be followed by weekly training sessions each Monday to Easter.  Attendance at the first meeting is essential and anyone not attending will not be able to join the course in later weeks. A parent or guardian must attend this first meeting with any child under 16 years old.

**SACRED HEART HIGH SCHOOL HAMMERSMITH**The Governing Body is consulting on its proposed Admission Arrangements for entry in September 2017 – Year 7 and Sixth Form. The draft Policies and Supplementary Information Forms/Application Forms are available to view on the school’s website: www.sacredhearthighschoolhammersmith.org.uk.

The consultation closes on ***29th January 2016*** and any comments should be e-mailed to sfinneran@sacredh.lbhf.sch.uk.