

**THIS WEEK'S LAMP DEDICATIONS ARE FOR:**

**Sanctuary Lamps - Patricia Byrne (RIP)**

**Our Lady's Chapel - Eddie Kiely (RIP)**

**MASS INTENTIONS FOR 8TH JANUARY TO 15TH JANUARY 2023**

<b>8th January 2023</b>	<b>5.30 pm</b>	Steve Tierney (RIP)
<b>Baptism of the Lord</b>	<b>10.00 am</b>	Donal O'Sullivan (RIP)
<b>Year A</b>	<b>12 noon</b>	People of the Parish
	<b>NO EVENING MASS</b>	
<b>Monday 9th January</b>	<b>9.45 am</b>	Morning Prayer
	<b>10.00 am</b>	Tom Doyle (In Sickness)
<b>Tuesday 10th January</b>	<b>9.45 am</b>	Morning Prayer
	<b>10.00 am</b>	Marianne Farrugia & Michael Adami (RIP)
<b>Wednesday 11th January</b>	<b>9.45 am</b>	Morning Prayer
	<b>10.00 am</b>	Patricia Byrne (RIP)
<b>Thursday 12th January</b>	<b>NO MASS HERE TODAY</b>	
	<b>The Church will remain closed all day.</b>	
<b>Friday 13th January</b>	<b>9.45 am</b>	Morning Prayer
	<b>10.00 am</b>	Bert, April & Andrew Howe (RIP)
<b>Saturday 14th January</b>	<b>9.45 am</b>	Morning Prayer
	<b>10.00 am</b>	Noreen McGloin (Intentions)
<b>Sunday 15th January</b>	<b>5.30 pm (Sat)</b>	Thomas Meehan & Deceased
<b>2nd Sunday</b>		Members of the Meehan Family (RIP)
<b>Year A</b>	<b>10.00 am</b>	Anne O'Sullivan (RIP)
	<b>12 noon</b>	Margaret & Dan Hickey (RIP)
	<b>NO EVENING MASS</b>	

**DURING JANUARY, THE CHURCH WILL BE CLOSED DIRECTLY AFTER THE MORNING MASS EACH DAY.**



**Parish of St. Gregory The Great**

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**8th January 2023**

**The Baptism of Our Lord - Year A**

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**PARISH TEAM**

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**Parish Office Hours: Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday 9.00am-12noon**

**The Parish Office is closed on Thursdays.**

Today we celebrate the feast of the Baptism of Our Lord. This feast brings to an end the season of Christmas.

**Commentary on the Gospel**

The account of the baptism of Jesus in Mark, the earliest gospel, is also the simplest. In Mark the Voice from heaven is addressed to Jesus himself, and there is no sign that others heard it; it is an experience of Jesus: 'You are my Son'. In Matthew the Voice is addressed to the bystanders: 'This is my Son'. This makes the private revelation into a public scene, a declaration that Jesus' work is about to begin. In the same way our baptism is a public scene, a declaration that we are committed to Christ in his Church – even if we don't remember it! Matthew also records the little dialogue of John's unwillingness to baptise Jesus. Why should Jesus enter into the community of repentance which John was forming? He was no sinner! However, it was a gesture that Jesus was entering fully into the condition of all humanity. He shared fully in human nature, the nature of a fallen humanity. At the outset of his ministry he must show this, for only so could he redeem the fallen human race. Jesus is not merely passive, for he himself joins with John in making the positive step: 'We must do all that righteousness demands'.

Dom Henry Wansbrough

## CURRENT VACANCIES WITHIN THE DIOCESE

For all vacancies in the Diocese please visit the website  
<https://jobs.rcdow.org.uk/>

### PARISH REGISTRATION

If you have recently joined the parish, or not completed a Registration Card in the last two years, please do so and return it to the presbytery. These cards are available in the porch or from the Parish Office. Our records are referred to for applications for sacramental preparation and school application forms.

### PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK AND HOUSEBOUND:-

Tony Johnson, Liam Warren, Micah McKennon, Mary Temple, Nicola Teune, Michael Clough, Bridget Finch, Angie Webster, Mary Wallace, Kevin Ryan, Theresa Brent, Anne-Marie Henry, Barbara Hayes, Nora Demello, Ron Crann, John McEvoy, Donna White, Peggy McNicholas, Gillian Burke, Alan Downes, John Higgins, Maxi Giambrone, Mary O'Regan, Nollaig Donegan, Kamini Mahida, Salvatore Giambrone, Francis Thone, Gary Sheppard, John McCarthy, John & Agnes Keane, George Alden, baby Wilf, Joseph Jackson, Kitty Kiely, Isabella Czerniajew, Bernie Killeen, Doreen Sullivan, Audrey Farrell, John & Phil Boyne, Philip Rodgers, Rita Clli, Mary Theresa Mills, Laura Madeira, Tom Doyle, Jim Kennedy, Pamela Murray, Ciaran Murphy.

*(Please tell us when people can be taken off this list).*

### PLEASE PRAY FOR THOSE WHO HAVE DIED RECENTLY AND THOSE WHOSE ANNIVERSARY OCCURS ABOUT THIS TIME. WE ALSO REMEMBER AT THIS TIME:

Pope Emeritus Benedict, Thomas Murray, John Armstrong, Patricia Byrne, Eddie Kiely, Steve Tierney, Donal O'Sullivan, Marianne Farrugia, Michael Adami, Bert, April & Andrew Howe.

### RED SANCTUARY LAMPS / BLUE LAMP BY OUR LADY

If you would like to have these dedicated for a week to the memory of a loved one, or for someone's intentions please contact Gillian in the parish office. There is a suggested donation of £10 for the Red Sanctuary lamps and £5 for Our Lady, the names will appear on the newsletter for the specific week.

### COLLECTIONS 01/01/2023

Standing Orders	£1192.38
Envelopes	£ 146.50
Loose Plate	£ 270.41

### WEDDINGS

Couples wishing to marry here or in any Catholic Church need to give at least six months' notice of their intentions.

## ST VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY (SVP NEWS)

Firstly, the SVP Team would like to wish you all a very happy and holy New Year and, secondly, would like to say a huge and sincere 'Thank You' for all your support during 2022. The run-up to Christmas was particularly busy and the many donations that you made to the Foodbank were put to very good use.

As always if you come across anyone in need, please do not hesitate to contact your SVP Team and we will do our best to help: 07563 775

777, [info@svpsouthruiislip.org.uk](mailto:info@svpsouthruiislip.org.uk) or [www.svpsouthruiislip.org.uk](http://www.svpsouthruiislip.org.uk).

### ITEMS THE SVP WOULD LIKE FOR THE FOOD BANK THIS WEEK

Tinned Vegetables	Cereals	Long life fruit juice
Tinned Puddings	Cleaning Supplies	Tinned Fruit
Tinned Soup	Rice	Biscuits
Jam	Sugar	Instant noodles
Tinned Potato	Pasta Sauce	Long Life Milk
Tea/Coffee	Tinned Meat	Toilet Roll Paper
Shampoo	Conditioner	Hand Soap
Deodorants	Shower Gel	Minced Pie
Treats	Plastic/shopping Bags	

### CONFIRMATION 2023

The confirmation classes will recommence on Monday 9th January at 7pm in the parish hall. Please arrive in good time so that the class can begin on time.

### BAPTISM PREPARATION

Tuesday 10th January at 8pm in the Church hall. Please telephone Gillian at the Presbytery as these meetings are by appointment only.

### HOLY COMMUNION PREPARATION (PARENTS)

A reminder that the next session for parents is on Wednesday 18th January in the hall at either 1.45pm or 7.00pm. One parent from each family is expected to attend one of the sessions.

### CRIB OFFERINGS 2022 - CATHOLIC CHILDREN SOCIETY

Thank you for helping disadvantaged children and families this Christmas. The Parish have so far raised £892.15!

### PRAYER FOR AFTER COMMUNION

*Nourished with these sacred gifts, we humbly entreat your mercy, O Lord, that, faithfully listening to your Only Begotten Son, we may be your children in name and in truth.*

*Through Christ our Lord.*