

ST IGNATIUS CATHOLIC CHURCH

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EWSLETTE

26th December 2021 – 2nd January 2022, ▼ The Holy Family & 2nd Sunday after the Nativity

MASS TIMES

Saturday 25th December

Christmas Day

9:30am & 11:30am Masses, Church closes after Mass NO Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament & Confessions

Sunday 26th December

The Holy Family

Church opens at 9:30am, 10:30am Mass

Monday 27th to Wednesday 29th December

Church opens at 9:30am, 10:30am Mass

Thursday 30th December Church CLOSED

Friday 31st December

Church opens at 9:30am, 10:30am Mass

NEW YEAR'S DAY

Saturday 1st January 2022

Solemnity of Mary

Church opens at 5pm, 6pm Mass

NO Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament & Confessions

Sunday 2nd January 2nd Sunday after the Nativity

Masses at 9:30am & 11:30am

Monday 3rd & Tuesday 4th January

9:30am Mass

Wednesday 5th January

Church CLOSED

Thursday 6th January The Epiphany of the Lord

Holy day of Obligation. Masses at 9:30am & 7:30pm

Wishing you all a blessed Christmas and New year 2022! Fr Christian de Lisle

> Parish Office is CLOSED 24th Dec 2021 - 4th Jan 2022.

PSALM

24th December 2021 - Christmas Vigil Mass 6pm

Ps 88:4-5, 16-17, 27, 29 I will sing for ever of your love, Lord.

24th December 2021 – Christmas Midnight Mass 11:30pm

Ps 95:1-2a, 2b-3, 11-12, 13 Today a saviour has been born

to us; he is Christ the Lord.

25th December 2021 – Christmas Day 9:30am

Ps 96:1, 6, 11-12 This day new light will shine upon the earth.

25th December 2021 - Christmas Day 11:30am

Ps 97:1. 2-3a. 3b-4. 5-6 All the ends of the earth have seen the salvation of our God.

THIS SUNDAY'S READINGS

Year C Ps Week 1

First Reading: 1 Samuel 1:20-22,24-28

Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 83(84):2-3,5-6,9-10

Response: They are happy who dwell in your house, O Lord.

Second Reading: 1 John 3:1-2,21-24

Gospel: Luke 2:41-52

NEXT SUNDAY'S READINGS

Year C Ps Week 2

First Reading: Eccl 24: 1–2. 8–12

Responsorial Psalm: 147:12-13, 14-15, 19-20

Response: The Word was made flesh, and lived among us. or

Alleluia!

Second Reading: Eph 1:3-6, 15-18

Gospel: John 1:1-18

OFFERTORY COLLECTION

Thank you for your generous donations

18/19 December 2021

£ 315.00 Envelopes Loose £ 181.98 £ 496.98 Total

Standing Orders for November 2021: £3,263.50

Church Cleaning TEAM 2: J O'Connell, J Sellings, P Goodfellow (Wednesday) & NEXT 4: M Pinto, N Pinto & E Dudouet. (Saturday).

PARISH NOTICES

CHRISTMAS 2021

- Crib Offering 2021 Your Crib offerings will support the Catholic Children's Society. Thank you for your donations.
- Ministers Christmas Rota is available for signing in the Church Porch.
- Christmas Flower collection Thank you for your generosity, we have raised £229.33
- Parish Christmas Cards are now available in the Church
- NO online bookings are required for Christmas Masses.

COVID: In line with government advise please ensure that you wear a mask in Church unless you are exempt. If cases continue to rise extremely rapidly, the Church windows may need to be left open during the Mass. The heating will be on but it may be colder than usual in the Church. Wrap up warm!

Signing of Certificate of Catholic Practice (CCP) for Reception School: If you have missed the online appointments in November. Please email the Parish Office for an appointment at sunburyonthames@rcdow.org.uk. Please do not panic. The closing date is 15January 2022.

Church Bell: Our bell has been inspected and, happily, both it and the belfry are in good condition. The Bell Foundry are preparing a quote for restoring our bell to use. Fr Christian will keep you updated.

Westminster Year Book 2022: Copies are available at the Parish office, priced at £5.00

REGULAR NOTICES

Parish Registration: If you are new to the parish and would like to register, the Parish Registration (White) forms are available in the Church porch or please email the Parish Office.

Funerals: To book a funeral, please contact the Parish Office.

SUPPORTING YOUR PARISH: COVID has created some financial difficulties for all, our parish included. Please continue your support. Thank you for your generosity.

- 1. If you would like "Weekly Donation Envelopes" or would like to setup Standing Orders, please complete the Parish Gift Aid & Standing Order (Blue) Form available in the Church Porch OR please contact the Parish office, call: 01932783507 or Email: sunburyonthames@rcdow.org.uk OR please visit our Parish Website DONATE/Donate to our Parish.
- 2. If you are a **TAX PAYER**, please consider joining the "**Gift Aid Scheme**" by completing the same form.
- 3. You **DO NOT** need to be a *Tax Payer* in order to set up or request for *Standing Order or Weekly Donation Envelopes*.

Mass Intentions: If you would like to offer a Mass, the <u>blue envelopes</u> are available in the Church Porch. Please drop your Mass intention envelopes through the Rectory - Letterbox or email the Parish Office.

Anointing of the Sick: If you know of someone in the parish who is very ill please contact Fr Christian to arrange a visit.

Altar Servers: Online applications to begin serving at Mass are now open for applicants under 18 and over 18. Applicants should have received their First Holy Communion. Prior experience is welcomed but not required. Please visit <u>Parish Website/Parish Life/Parish Groups / First Holy Communion</u>

Stewards & Minister's Rotas: The new rotas are displayed in the Church Porch and are available online on the Parish website - *Parish Groups*.

PARISH SCHOOLS

Parish Schools: St Ignatius Catholic Primary School and St Paul's Catholic College (Secondary) are this parish's two Catholic Schools, though some parishioners have children at Catholic secondary schools outside the parish bounds. Both are thriving schools. All Catholics are encouraged to have their children educated in a Catholic context.

Signing of Certificates of Catholic Practice for Catholic Schools

- Parents are requested to contact the School Office first to learn about the School admissions & visit https://www.gov.uk/schools-admissions.
- For Secondary Transfer Year 7 (Sept -Oct), Reception (Nov Jan) & Nursery (Feb- Apr), please keep reading the Newsletter near the time for Online appointment(s) with the Priest via Parish website.

• For School Years (Yr1 to Yr6) & other school years, please email the Parish Office for an appointment at sunburyonthames@rcdow.org.uk.

SACRAMENTAL PROGRAMMES

Baptism: To arrange for the baptism of any child under the age of seven please contact the Parish Office to book a meeting. All parents will need to complete a short course on the Sacrament of Baptism, usually held at noon on Saturdays. A child's baptism can be booked for any Saturday which works, again at noon.

First Holy Communion 2022: Please see the Session dates on the Parish Website.

First Holy Communion 2022: Mass Attendance cards

- 1. The child should be present with his/her Attendance card.
- 2. Please make sure the Attendance Card has the Child's full name, this will help the Stewards to identify the card and in case the Attendance card is lost.
- 3. Please DO NOT forget to bring your Childs Attendance card to Mass every weekend.
- 4. Stamps/Stickers will not be issued for a missed Sunday.
- 5. Please contact the Parish Office if you need a new Attendance Card.

Becoming Catholic 2021-22: Welcome home! Please contact Fr Christian by telephone or email to organise a meeting.

Marriage: Please contact Fr Christian by telephone or email to organise a meeting.

Confirmation 2021-22: Teenagers in Years 9 & 10 are invited to join the Confirmation course by signing up on the Parish Website - <u>Sacramental Preparation</u>. Meetings will start after Christmas.

THANK YOU NOTE TO PARISHIONERS.

I would just like to extend an enormous thank you to all the parishioners who have helped out over the Christmas period in so many different ways: organising rotas, singing at the Masses, arranging the flowers, Ministering the Eucharist, reading, Altar serving, cleaning, helping with the Sacristy and stewarding. It has been a difficult Christmas period but I hope that, together, we have managed to bring something of the light of the new born Christ into this winter.

With my prayers, Fr Christian.

THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED

Please pray for our recently departed parishioners:

James Tranter, Lorna Collins, Simon P Murphy, Baby Romeo DeMello, Bernadette Moran, Fr Dominic Byrne.

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