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***Wishing you and your loved ones a healthy, joyous and peaceful Christmas and may you all have a good New Year. Thank you for making St Helen’s a friendly and compassionate community.***

*Fr Voy Przyjalkowski*

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O Lord God, full of love and compassion.

I have no idea where I am going.

1. I do not see the road ahead of me.

I cannot know for certain where it will end.

Nor do I really know myself.

And that fact that I think

I am following your Will

does not mean that I am actually doing so

But I believe that the desire to return to you

does in fact please You.

And I hope I have that desire

in all that I am doing.

I hope that I will never do anything

apart from that desire to please You.

And I know that if I do this

You will lead me by the right road

though I may know nothing about it.

Therefore, I will trust You always

though I may seem to be lost

and in the shadow of death.

I will not fear

for You are ever with me

and you will never leave me

to make my journey alone.

by

Thomas Merton

**Sunday 19th DECEMBER 2021**

**4th Sunday of Advent**

**MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK**

**Sat 18th** 09.00Confessions

10.00 Ollie Cramer R.I.P

18.00 Fernando Family (Thanksgiving)

**Sun 19th** 09.00 Margaret Ferrier R.I.P

11.00 Sheila & Nick Corcoran (Intentions)

18.00 Shaun Lennon &

Geraldine & Pat Lennon R.I.P

Mon 20th \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**Tues 21st** 10.00 Ann Currid R.I.P

**Wed 22nd** 10.00 Private Intention

**12.00 Funeral: Marion Mackay**

**Thurs 23rd**  10.00 Shaun Lennon R.I.P

**Fri 24th Christmas Eve**

17.00 Children’s Mass Children of the Parish

21.30 Parish Carol Service

22.00 Christmas Eve Mass Joe Heraty & Andrew Mc Phillips R.I.P

**Sat 25th Christmas Day**

09.00 Cecilia Okeke R.I.P

11.00Myles Corcoran R.I.P

NO EVENING MASS

**Sun 26th Feast of the Holy Family**

09.00 Arokiasamy Family Intentions

11.00 Mary Mc Donald R.I.P

NO EVENING MASS

**Mon 27th:** 10.00 Eliyamma Punnamkuzhy R.I.P

**Tues 28th:** 10.00 Richard & Anastasia Atkins R.I.P

**Wed 29th:** 10.00 Tom & Mary Dillon Intentions

**Thurs 30th:** 10.00 Wendy Sterry R.I.P

**Fri 31st:** 10.00 Maureen Booth R.I.P

20.30 Joe Currid & family Intentions

**Sat 1st:** No Confessions

10.00 Maureen Mc Donagh Sick

18.00 Sr Margarita Foley Sick

**Sun 2nd:** 09.00 Eddie & Stephen Foley R.I.P

11.00 Bridie O Shea R.I.P

NO EVENING MASS

Thursday 06/01/2022: Epiphany 10.00 & 19.00

From 03/01/2022 weekdays Mon, Tues & Fri Masses will be at 09.15 (except Thursday which will be 10.00) (no mass Wednesday)

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**CHILDREN’S CHRISTMAS EVE MASS 5PM**

Children are invited to come dressed up as Mary, Joseph, Wise Men, Shepherds, Wise Men, etc. Also, if your child would like to do a Reading, take up the Offertory, Bidding Prayer etc then please write their name on the sheet which is available in the Hall Lobby. Please include an email address / contact number so that we can send you any relevant information. If your child is doing a Reading or Bidding Prayer please make sure you arrive at least 15 minutes before the Mass starts so that your child can have a practice.

*See other side for additional information*

**CHRISTMAS POSTERS**

Available at the back (in the Newsletter basket). Please spread the true meaning of Christmas by taking one and displaying in your front window.

**CHRISTMAS HAMPER RAFFLE**

The draw will now take place after the 09.00 Mass. Winners will be notified afterwards.

**CRIB APPEAL 2021: CATHOLIC CHILDREN’S SOCIETY**

Donations for this appeal can be put in the box on the sanctuary. Gift Aid envelopes are provided.

**RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults)**

RCIA is a programme for adults that explains the Catholic faith and prepares candidates to be received into the Church. It will be a requirement of the programme that Candidates attend at least four Masses. If you or someone you know would like to join and be prepared for Baptism or Confirmation, then please email the Parish Office with your details and you will be contacted. Alternatively, you can collect a form from the Hall Lobby on Tues, Wed or Thurs. The programme is due to start 27/01/2022 from 19.30 – 20.30 (Thursday evenings).

**CONFIRMATION 2022**

Information regarding the next programme will be available in the New Year.

**OFFERTORY COLLECTION FOR**

**Sunday 12th December 2021**

Planned Giving £136.00 Loose Plate £219.47

Standing Orders for October £4,012.49

If you would like to set up a monthly

Standing Order, our bank details are:

**HSBC Bank: WRCDT Watford North**

Sort Code: **40-05-20** Account No: **81263439**

anned Giving: £572.88p Loose Plate £303.29p

Standing Orders£1897.33.

**TIONS FOR**

**24th April: £**

***Planned Giving: £ Loose Plate: £***

***Our total income received in March for***

***Standing Orders: p***

***Standing Order figures:***

***April £1,917.33 May £2,022.33***

**TIONS FOR**

**24th April: £**

***Planned Giving: £ Loose Plate: £***

***Our total income received in March for***

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