

St. Mary of the Angels Newsletter

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Feast of the Holy Family (C)

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Next week's duties.

Wardens Saturday: - Peter
Sunday: - Brian
Cleaners Margaret, Victoria, Andy, Anna & Michael
Flowers Karen
Welcomers Saturday: Ann & John T
Sunday: Jonathan & Ann F
Cashiers Team F
Coffee To Be Advised

29 th Dec - 6 th Jan 2019		Liturgy	Mass Intention	Readers	EMins:	
Sat 29 th	Vigil Mass - 6:00pm.	Feast of the Holy Family	Gary, Reg & Mary Benton	Peter & Pat H	Bernadette, Emma, David G & Ann T	
Sun 30 th	Sung Mass 9:30am. Music by the Choir		Int. Breda O'Brien 90 th Birthday ^{SVP}	David W & Keith	Dorothy, Jonathan, Denis & Barbara	
Mon 31 st	10: 00am.		Seventh day in the Octave of Christmas	NB Eucharistic Service	Sacrament of the Sick. Please remember to inform Fr. Craig <i>directly</i> in cases of sickness, most especially if it requires hospital treatment or prolonged absence from Mass. If one is taken ill suddenly and cannot inform the clergy then families should take responsibility for this.	
Tue 1 st	10: 00am.		Mary Mother of God ^{Solemnity}	NB Eucharistic Service	Parish Membership. If you are a recent arrival in the parish or if you did not complete a membership form previously there are copies of the Parish Membership Form available in the porch. If any details change, please complete a new form.	
Wed 2 nd	9 15am.		St Basil the Great & St Gregory ^{Memorial} Nazianzen ^{Bishops, Doctors}	NB Eucharistic Service	John H & Peter C	Francis, Maura, Keith & Christine
Thu 3 rd	9 15am. NB No Evening Service		Most Holy Name of Jesus ^{Memorial}	NB Eucharistic Service	Team ⁽⁵⁾	Brian & Helen
Fri 4 th	9 15am.	Christmas Feria	NB Eucharistic Service	EMins:	Phil, Sue, David W & Margaret	
Sat 5 th	Vigil Mass - 6:00pm.	Christmas Feria NB No Confessions Today	Thomas Shaw ^{RIP AT}	Servers	Team ⁽⁶⁾	
Sun 6 th	Sung Mass 9:30am. Music by the Folk Group	Solemnity of the Epiphany of the Lord	People of the Parish	Readers		

Father's Notes

Pope St. John Paul II. If we aspire to a deeper understanding of Jesus' life and mission, we must draw close to the mystery of the Holy Family of Nazareth to observe and listen. Today's liturgy offers us a providential opportunity to do so. For every believer, and especially for Christian families, the humble dwelling place in Nazareth is an authentic school of the Gospel.

Thank You All. Fr. Craig, Deacon John & Deacon Ryan would like to offer sincere thanks to all who gave cards and gifts (of any kind) over the Christmas period. The generosity of the Catholic community is overwhelming. Thank you all.

Christmas Crib Appeal this year is for Missio (the Red Boxes). Your support this Christmas will help many children across the world:

- to hear the story of Jesus and see his love for them.
- benefit from a healthy meal.
- to receive an education, a home and safety.

The Crib Appeal box will remain in place until Saturday February 2nd, the **Feast of the Presentation of the Lord.**

Diocesan Directories are now available from the Sacristy. They are £5.00 each.

Grand Draw tickets are available. Please take and sell some to family and friends, returning the counterfoil with the payment as soon as possible. The draw will take place on **Sunday 17th February** after the morning Mass.

Wednesday Friends will return on **January 16th 2019.** Please encourage friends and neighbours, especially those who are alone to come along and join us.

50/50 Club. The next 50/50 draw will take place on **Sunday 24th February.** There will be no draw in January, but two in February for those entered in December and January. The winners last weekend for those in the November entry draw were:

1 st	#24	Phil Probert	£150.00
2 nd	#75	Christine Ingleby	£80.00
3 rd	#55	Martin Hoskisson	£45.00
4 th	#110	Francis Patton	£27.50

Baptism Enquiries. There are a series of preparation dates available for those wishing to bring their child for Baptism. These are:

- Tuesday 15th January.**
- Tuesday 19th February.**
- Tuesday 19th March.**
- Tuesday 7th May.**

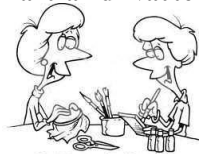
These will be in the meeting room at 7pm. Please contact Fr. Craig for a Baptismal Enquiry Form.



Whetstone Over 50s

Denis wishes to extend wishes for a Happy New Year to members and everyone who attends the meetings of the Whetstone Over 50's group.

Craft and Natter.



'C&N' will return on **Tuesday 8th January** when new members will be most welcome. We meet from 11am to 3pm on Tuesdays in term time.

If anyone has an idea for something they think we might be able to produce, please let us know. Thank you - **Christine ☎ 01922 860981.**

CAFOD
CAFOD Live Simply Prayer
Week 5

Lord, we pray that all families may be transformed by the model you have given us in your Holy Family.

At this time, a quick reminder that CAFOD collect stamps, old jewellery, old mobile phones and coins (old UK and foreign). There is a box in the porch.

Sick in the Parish

Please pray for all the sick in the parish, that God will bless and comfort them.

Please remember especially: **Teresa Chandler, Victor Alonzo, Jacqui Bird, Evelyn Hawkley, Jacqueline Perks, Fr. Paul Chamberlain, Cath & Paddy Breen, Max Lewis, Mary Nix, Geoff Jones, Alma Darby, Marguerite Baxendale, Eliz McCabe, David Piggott, Mary Ellis, Clare Cooksey, Aine McDonagh, Emma Jones, Isabella Lyttle & Anne Mitchell.**

Teresa Chandler has asked for prayers for a speedy recovery after a rather nasty fall she has had.

Second Collection

The second collection on the weekend of 19th/20th January (Peace Sunday) will be for Pax Christi. Pope Francis' World Peace message is 'Good politics serves peace'.

Last Weeks Offertory:

£231.57

Weekly Standing Orders:

£740.00