

THE MESSENGER

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THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

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PARISH LITURGY

6th January	9.00 am	SB	Dec. Mbrs Colella & Bibo Families
	11.00 am	SB	Damien O'Brien RIP
	6.30 pm	SB	People of the Parish
Mon 7th Jan	12 noon	HG	Michael O'Leary RIP
	2.45 pm		Funeral at the Crematorium
Tue 8th	No Mass		
Wed 9th	12.30 pm	SB	Requiem Mass Joan Gomes RIP
			followed by 2.15 pm Crematorium—Thatcham
Thurs 10th	9.30 am	SB	Jim, James Nolan RIP
			St. Bede's School joining us for Mass.
Fri 11th	No Mass	Fr. Chris R—St. John's Seminary	
Sat 12th	No Mass		
			FHC Children 10—12 noon

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	9.00 am	SB	Sean McNamara RIP
	11.00 am	SB	People of the Parish
	6.30 pm	SB	Donato Consiglio RIP
Mon 14th	10.15 am	SB	Requiem Mass Cecilia Higgins RIP
			followed by Worting Rd Cemetery
Tues 15th	No Mass		
Wed 16th	11 am	HG	Requiem Mass Rita McElhinney RIP
			followed by Worting Rd Cemetery
Thur 17th	9.30 am	SB	Joan McCourt RIP
Fri 18th	9.30 am	HG	Int. Natasha Burkhardt
			Adoration after the 9.30 am Mass till 11 am
Sat 19th	9.30 am	SB	Joseph Mathew RIP
			Confessions until 10.45 am

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	9.00 am	SB	Joe, Kevin Stevens RIP
	11.00 am	SB	Elizabeth, Gerald McMullan RIP
	6.30 pm	SB	People of the Parish
Mon 21st	9.15 am		<i>Mass at St. Joseph's Church</i>
Tues 22nd	9.15 am		<i>Mass at St. Joseph's Church</i>
Wed 23rd	9.30 am	HG	Mary, Ellen, William Condon RI
Thur 24th	9.15 am		<i>Mass at St. Joseph's Church</i>
Fri 25th	9.30 am	HG	Dec. Mbrs Hynes Family
Sat 26th	9.15 am		<i>Mass at St. Joseph's Church</i>

THANK YOU

I wish to express my gratitude for the many gifts and the very generous Christmas offering I have received. I am very Blessed to be your Parish Priest here at Holy Ghost Parish. Holy Mass is offered each Sunday for the intention of our parish family. Please be assured of my Prayers.
Fr Chris.



HAPPY NEW YEAR !

We wish you a Happy and Prosperous New Year, especially in terms of Family and Faith! None of us knows what challenges the Year of Our Lord 2019 will bring, but pray that we may respond in such a way that God's Kingdom may continue to grow. We pray for the Parishes of St. Joseph's, Sacred Heart Hook, St. Michael's Tadley and St. John the Baptists Andover.

AN EPIPHANY POEM

Beckoning God -
Who called the rich to travel towards
poverty, the wise to embrace Your
folly, the powerful to know their own
frailty;
who gave to strangers a sense of homecoming in an alien
land, and to stargazers
true light and vision as they bowed to earth -
we lay ourselves open to Your signs for us.
Stir us up with Holy discontent over a world
which gives its gifts to those
who have plenty already
whose talents are obvious
whose power is recognised;
and help us
both to share our resources with those who have little
and to receive with humility the gifts they bring to us.
Rise within us, like a star, and make us restless
till we journey forth to seek our rest. *Kate Compston*



GETTING MARRIED

If you are getting married here or abroad, please note you need to give us one year's notice. You will need to attend a Marriage Preparation Course, and provide recent copies of your Baptismal Certificate (date of issue within six months of your first appointment with the Priest).

There is a charge of £40 for documents that have to be processed through the Chancery Office of the Diocese.

ARRANGING A BAPTISM

Any Catholic Parent living in our Parish and wishing their Child to be Baptised should collect a form from the cloister area. Please complete and return this form to the Parish Office.

Due to the large number of such Baptisms, we currently celebrate this Sacrament on designated Sundays at 12.30 pm.

There are No Baptisms during Lent.

DIARY:

Sunday 6th Jan: Music: 9 am Choir: 11 am Popley:
6.30 pm The Lord's Flock
Refreshments after the 9 am Mass
Tues 8th: Toddler Group 1.30—3.15 pm
Fri 11th: Confirmation Candidates 6.30—8 pm
Sat 12th: FHC Children session 10—12 noon

CONVENT OF THE SISTERS OF OUR LADY OF DIVINE PROVIDENCE

Sr. Marie Anne wishes to inform you that in the coming months the Convent will be closed permanently and the house will be sold. Sr. Marie Anne will be returning to her Convent in France Saintes Charente Maritime. The Convent was opened by Bishop Derek Worlock in 1974. We thank all the Sisters who have worked for the good of the Church over many years, and we wish Sr. Marie Anne well. More details to follow regarding a 'Farewell Mass'.

FUNERAL

Funeral Service at the Crematorium on Monday 7th January at 2.45 am for Joan Birch RIP
Requiem for Joan Gomes RIP takes place on Wednesday 9th January at 12.30 pm at St. Bedes
Funeral Service at the Crematorium on Friday 11th January at 11 am for Eunice O'Connor RIP
Requiem for Cecilia Higgins RIP on Monday 14th January At 10.15 am in St. Bede's Church.
Requiem for Rita McElhinney RIP on Wednesday 16th January at 11 am in Holy Ghost Church.
We remember their Families and Friends at this sad time.



WINTER SHELTER

The Winter Shelter volunteers are holding a cake sale in the hall after the 9 and 11 Masses next Sunday 13th January. It would be great if you could provide a cake but anyway please do come into the hall after Mass, have a tea or coffee and buy a cake in the sale to raise funds to help the work of the shelter, who are looking after the rough sleepers in our town during the coldest weeks of the winter"

RECYCLING (CAFOD)

Recycling collection, jewellery, foreign money, mobile phones and stamps. Please bring any items on a Sunday for recycling. All proceeds will go towards CAFOD.

LOURDES 2019

Date for your diary

Parish Pilgrimage to Lourdes in 2019, will take place between 9th—14th June. More details will follow as soon as we have them. *Our Lady of Lourdes: pray for us!*



COLLECTIONS

Parish Collection last week amounted to £1,113.13p.
Grateful thanks.