

THE MESSENGER

Serving the Churches of Holy Ghost and St. Bede

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Sunday 26th December 2021

THE HOLY FAMILY of JESUS, MARY & JOSEPH

Year C, Psalter Week I

Sun 26th Dec	9.00 am	SB	Mass: Martin Cleary RIP
	11.00 am	SB	Mass: Int. Altar Servers
	No Evening Mass		
Mon 27th	ST JOHN , Apostle, Evangelist, <i>feast</i>		
	12 noon	SB	Mass: Norma Clarke RIP
	6.00 pm	HG	Mass: John Okpalalaafe RIP
Tues 28th	THE HOLY INNOCENTS , <i>feast</i>		
	9.30 am	SB	Mass: Philomena, Noville Lobo RIP
Wed 29th	ST THOMAS OF CANTERBURY , <i>feast</i>		
	9.30 am	SB	Mass: Teresita B Pagulayan & Paterno Perez RIP
	6.00 pm	HG	Mass: Private Intention
Thur 30th	9.30 am	SB	Mass: Felicity Atkinson RIP
Fri 31st	9.30 am	SB	Mass: Reg Smart RIP
	6.00 pm	HG	Mass: Private Intention
Sat 1st	MARY, THE HOLY MOTHER OF GOD , <i>solemnity</i>		
	9.30 am	SB	Mass: People of the Parish

SECOND SUNDAY OF CHRISTMAS

Year C, Psalter Week II

Sun 2nd Jan	9.00 am	SB	Mass: Sean McNamara RIP (Fond)
	11.00 am	SB	Mass: People of the Parish
	6.00 pm	SB	Mass: Jerry Moore RIP
Mon 3rd	12 noon	SB	Mass: Josephine Brown RIP
	6.00 pm	HG	Mass: Private Intention
Tues 4th	9.30 am	SB	Mass: Nancy O'Neill RIP (Fond)
Wed 5th	9.30 am	SB	Mass: Breeda Kelly RIP
	6.00 pm	HG	Mass: Deceased Babies
Thur 6th	THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD , <i>solemnity</i>		
	9.30 am	SB	Mass: Dec Mbrs of Colella & Bibbo Families (Fond)
Fri 7th	9.30 am	SB	Mass: Chris Simpson RIP
	6.00 pm	HG	Mass: Susan Vanni RIP
Sat 8th	9.30 am	SB	Mass: Joseph Matthew RIP
	2.00 pm	SB	Mass: Susan Vanni RIP

THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD

Year C, Psalter Week I

Sun 9th Jan	9.00 am	SB	Mass: Reg Smart RIP
	11.00 am	SB	Mass: Int. Greayer Family
	12.30 pm	SB	Baptisms
	6.00 pm	SB	Mass: People of the Parish



Christmas Blessings to you all on behalf of Fr. Dominic, Fr. John, Deacon Tony and the Parish Staff. Thank you to everyone who has contributed their time and talent in preparing our Churches and helping in the Worship of God. Thank you also for the many cards and gifts.

WELCOME

A very warm welcome to all Parishioners and visitors who join us for Mass over the Christmas Season whether in our Churches or via the live-stream.

CHRISTMAS MASSES

Masses on Christmas Eve, Christmas Day and Sunday 26th December are now fully booked. If you find you no longer need tickets please remember to cancel them. Places for Mass at Holy Ghost Church on Christmas Day will be allocated on a first come first served basis.

ATTENDING MASS

Where possible, please can you scan the NHS QR code displayed in the Cloister with your NHS Covid-19 App. There are volunteers on hand to assist with seating. Please help them by following their instructions. Wearing a face covering is now mandatory in Places of Worship (unless you are exempt). Thank you for your co-operation.

CHRISTMAS CRIB OFFERINGS

This year, the Christmas Crib Offerings will be donated to the Friends of the Holy Land. The focus of their work is providing practical help directly to the most needy and vulnerable of our Christian brothers and sisters through a balance of funding immediate relief of emergency needs, and practical small projects to help create a sustainable future in the Holy Land.



THE SYNODAL PROCESS INVITATION

Our Holy Father Pope Francis has invited the Catholic Church to embark on a journey together. Through listening and discernment rooted in the Holy Spirit, the entire people of God will be called to contribute to a process by which the Church deepens in understanding of Her mission and looks toward the future. A Synod is a journey of discernment, in which the people of God are called to pray and reflect upon the Holy Spirit's will for the Church. Every member of the Church has the right to speak, and the obligation to allow those charged with the work of discernment the freedom to do so. Pope Francis in his book *Let us Dream* says "we need a respectful, mutual listening, free of ideology and predetermined agendas". *You are all invited to join the Parish in this process, please send an email stating your interest to: stbedes@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk or give your name to the Parish Office.*



FEAST OF THE HOLY FAMILY

In the latest e-News, Bishop Philip reminds us that on Sunday, 26th December, Boxing Day, the Church celebrates the Feast of the Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph. This feast day replaces that of St. Stephen. In the Diocese of Portsmouth, the Feast of the Holy Family is for us an annual Diocesan day of prayer for children and vulnerable adults, for the victims of abuse and for all who work in the ministry of safeguarding.

VIRTUAL CHRISTMAS CATCH-UP

Deacon Tony & Pam invite you to join them for a post-Christmas virtual catch-up via Zoom, on Monday 27th December at 3.00 pm. For joining information, please contact stbedesocial@gmail.com. Deacon Tony and Pam look forward to seeing you then!

THANK YOU

Thank you to everyone involved in our Sunday Masses and Celebrations throughout the year, from Eucharistic Ministers, Readers, Musicians and Singers to Volunteer Chaplains, Mass Volunteers, those who plan Liturgies, Cleaners, Flower Arrangers, Altar Servers, Crib and Christmas Tree builders, the Web Team and everyone who supports and contributes to the life of the Parish.

CLERGY CHRISTMAS COLLECTION

Our Christmas Collection celebrates and gives thanks to our Parish Priests for all the dedication, guidance and care they give across our Diocese and in each Parish. If you would like to give a gift to support our Parish Priests Fr. Dominic and Fr. John this Christmas, please go to: [Portsmouth Roman Catholic Diocesan Trust are fundraising for Basingstoke St Bede's Church | Give as you Live Donate](#)

VOCATIONS

Are you called to serve the family of the Lord and share the Father's love as a priest, deacon, sister or brother?, Contact Fr. John Cooke on 01329 318 869 or email vocations@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk

PARISH COLLECTION

Collection for week ending 19th December amounted to £1,880.90. Thank you for your generosity.

DONATIONS TO THE PARISH

The easiest way to make a donation to the Parish is via Standing Order, Bank Transfer or online at: [Donate to St Bede's Church | Give as you Live Donate](#)

A PRAYER AT THE END OF THE YEAR

To those I may have wronged, I ask forgiveness
 To those I may have helped, I wish I did more
 To those I neglected to help, I ask for understanding
 To those who helped me, I sincerely thank you so much.



PARISH OFFICE

The Parish Office will reopen on Wednesday 5th January 2022. Due to the current Covid situation please contact the Parish Office by either phone or email.