

## ST. LAWRENCE OF CANTERBURY R C CHURCH NEWSLETTER

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### SOLEMNITY OF THE NATIVITY OF THE LORD - 25TH DECEMBER 2023

#### Vigil Mass

Entrance Antiphon: ***Today you will know that the Lord will come, and he will save us, and in the morning you will see his glory.***

Responsorial Psalm: ***I will sing for ever of your love, O Lord.***

Communion Antiphon: ***The glory of the Lord will be revealed, and all flesh will see the salvation of our God.***

The Sacrament of Penance is available on Saturday mornings from 11am until the final confession and before and after Mass on Saturday evening and by prior arrangement.

**Envelopes for Christmas Offerings for your Parish Priests are available at the back of the Church. The Christmas Offerings can also be given through the card reader terminals which are located near the sides of the church.**

Fr. Allan and myself will be praying for you and your loved ones this Christmas and we thank you for all the support you have given us over this year.

May you have a happy, holy and peaceful Christmas.

God bless you all.

**Fr. Paul.**

## MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE CHRISTMAS WEEK

**Sunday 24th December**

**Christmas Eve**

5.30pm

Robert Bartlett RIP

11.00pm

Service of Carols and Readings

Midnight

Michael Victory RIP

**Monday 25th December**

**The Solemnity of the Nativity of the Lord**

8.30am

The People of the Parish

10.00am

Menino Pinto RIP

**Tuesday 26th December**

**Saint Stephen, Deacon, The First Martyr**

9.45am

John Thomas and Anne Elizabeth Smyth RIP

**Wednesday 27th December**

**Saint John, Apostle and Evangelist**

9.30am

Holy Souls

**Thursday 28th December**

**The Holy Innocents, Martyrs**

9.30am

Paul Pinto RIP

**Friday 29th December**

**St. Thomas of Canterbury, Bishop and Martyr**

9.30am

Intention of Paula Akpofure on her Birthday

**Saturday 30th December**

**6th day in the Octave of the Nativity of the Lord**

9.30am

Michael Halse RIP

## SOLEMNITY OF THE NATIVITY OF THE LORD - 25TH DECEMBER 2023

### Midnight Mass

Entrance Antiphon: ***Let us all rejoice in the Lord, for our Saviour has been born in the world. Today true peace has come down to us from heaven.***

Antiphon: ***Today a saviour has been born to us; he is Christ the Lord.***

Communion Antiphon: ***The Word became flesh, and we have seen his glory.***

## MASS INTENTIONS FOR NEW YEAR WEEK

<b>Saturday 30th December</b> 6.30pm	<b>The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph</b> Jimmy Jackson RIP
<b>Sunday 31st December</b> 8.30am 10.00am 11.30am	<b>The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph</b> For the Wellbeing of Jim Toland The People of the Parish Holy Souls
<b>Monday 1st January</b> 9.30am	<b>Solemnity of Mary, The Holy Mother of God</b> Richard Lane RIP
<b>Tuesday 2nd January</b> 9.45am	<b>Saints Basil the Great and Gregory Nazianzen, Bishops and Doctors of the Church</b> Ian Duncan RIP
<b>Wednesday 3rd January</b> 9.30am	<b>Feria of Christmas Time</b> Janina Basiaga RIP
<b>Thursday 4th January</b> 9.30am	<b>The Beatified Martyrs of the Diocese</b> Fr. Laurence Patten RIP
<b>Friday 5th January</b> 9.30am	<b>Feria of Christmas Time</b> Anita Curran RIP
<b>Saturday 6th January</b> 9.30am	<b>Feria of Christmas Time</b> Fr. James Norton RIP

## SOLEMNITY OF THE NATIVITY OF THE LORD - 25TH DECEMBER 2023

### First Morning Mass

Entrance Antiphon: ***Today a light will shine upon us, for the Lord is born for us; and he will be called Wondrous God, Prince of peace, Father of future ages: and his reign will be without end.***

Responsorial Psalm: ***This day new light will shine upon the earth: the Lord is born for us.***

Communion Antiphon: ***Rejoice, O Daughter Sion; lift up praise, Daughter Jerusalem: Behold, your King will come, the Holy One and Saviour of the world.***

### Second Morning Mass

Entrance Antiphon: ***A child is born for us, and a son is given to us; his sceptre of power rests upon his shoulder, and his name will be called Messenger of great counsel.***

Responsorial Psalm: ***All the ends of the earth have seen the salvation of our God.***

Communion Antiphon: ***All the ends of the earth have seen the salvation of our God.***

## MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK OF THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

**Saturday 6th January**

6.30pm

**The Solemnity of The Epiphany of the Lord**

For the Wellbeing of Catherine Woodhouse

**Sunday 7th January**

8.30am

**The Solemnity of The Epiphany of the Lord**

Orazio Provenza RIP

10.00am

The People of the Parish

11.30am

In Thanksgiving & for Anslem Benjamin Udum RIP

**Monday 8th January**

**The Baptism of the Lord**

9.30am

Patsy Clavin RIP

**Tuesday 9th January**

**Feria**

9.45am

Baby Jade Peacock Nash-Flanagan RIP

**Wednesday 10th January**

**Feria**

9.30am

Thanksgiving to Divine Mercy for graces received

**Thursday 11th January**

**Feria**

9.30am

Eamon Lawlor RIP

**Friday 12th January**

**Feria**

9.30am

David Kimber RIP

**Saturday 13th January**

**The Blessed Virgin Mary**

9.30am

Clifford Mascarenhas RIP

## THE HOLY FAMILY OF JESUS, MARY AND JOSEPH - 31ST DECEMBER 2023

*(Psalter Week 1)*

Entrance Antiphon: ***The shepherds went in haste, and found Mary and Joseph and the Infant lying in a manger.***

Responsorial Psalm: ***He, the Lord, is our God. He remembers his covenant for ever.***

Communion Antiphon: ***Our God has appeared on the earth, and lived among us.***

## SOLEMNITY OF THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD - 7TH JANUARY 2024

*(Psalter Week 1)*

### Vigil Mass

Entrance Antiphon: ***Arise, Jerusalem, and look to the East and see your children gathered from the rising to the setting of the sun.***

Communion Antiphon: ***The brightness of God illumined the holy city Jerusalem, and the nations will walk by its light.***

### Morning Mass

Entrance Antiphon: ***Behold, the Lord, the Mighty One, has come; and kingship is in his grasp, and power and dominion.***

Communion Antiphon: ***We have seen his star in the East, and have come with gifts to adore the Lord.***