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Sunday, 17th December, 2023

This week at the Cathedral: Year: B (II)

**Sun. 17th Dec. 3rd SUNDAY OF ADVENT
(GAUDETE SUNDAY)**

17:30 (Sat.) Vigil: Moira & Richard Heady (RIP)
(Anniversary)
08:00 Sun. Mass: Kate & Jack Hartigan (RIP)
10:00 Mass: People of the parish
16:30 R.C.I.A.
18:00 Cathedral Parish Carol Service

**Mon. 18th Weekday of 3rd Week of Advent
NO PUBLIC MASS**

19:00 Annual Carol Service of Bishop
Vaughan Catholic Comprehensive
School

Tues. 19th Weekday of 3rd Week of Advent
09:15 CRYPT Mass: Emilou Ubiw (RIP)

Weds. 20th Weekday of 3rd Week of Advent
09:15 CRYPT Mass: Anthony Eaton (RIP)
14:00 St. Joseph's Cathedral School's
Christmas Concert (Years 3-6)

**Thurs. 21st Weekday of 3rd Week of Advent
NO PUBLIC MASS**

Fri. 22nd Weekday of 3rd Week of Advent
09:15 CRYPT Mass: Kathryn Fisher (RIP)
18:00 Altar Servers' "Get-Together"

**Sat. 23rd Saturday of 3rd Week of Advent
NO MORNING MASS**

17:30 (Sat.) Vigil Mass: John Hurley (RIP)(Anniv.)

**Sunday 24th 4th SUNDAY OF ADVENT
(CHRISTMAS EVE)**

09:30 Sun. Mass: Delia & John Ahern (RIP)
(Anniv.)

CHRISTMAS MASSES

17:30 Sun. **CHRISTMAS VIGIL MASS**
Chief Celebrant: Rev. Archbishop Mark
O'Toole, Archbishop of Cardiff, Bishop of
Menevia.

23:30 **MIDNIGHT MASS**

09:30 Mon. **CHRISTMAS DAY MASS**

PRAYER TO ST. MICHAEL, ARCHANGEL

Holy Michael, the Archangel, defend us in the day of battle.
Be our safeguard against the wickedness and snares of the
devil.

May God rebuke him, we humbly pray, and do thou, Prince of
the Heavenly Hosts, by the power of God, thrust into hell
Satan and all evil spirits who wander through the world for the
ruin of souls.
Amen.

MEMORARE

Remember, O most gracious Virgin Mary, that never was it
known that anyone who fled to thy protection, implored thy
help or sought thy intercession, was left unaided. Inspired by
this confidence, we fly unto thee, O Virgin of virgins my
Mother.

To thee do we come, before thee we stand, sinful and
sorrowful.

O Mother of the Word Incarnate, despise not our petitions,
but in thy mercy hear and answer them.
Amen.

Pray for them

Let us remember the sick in our homes & hospitals

Deacon Tony Lawrence, Teresa Williams, Ian Williams, Lee
Ellery, Taylor Mai, Heather Mitchell, Neil Andrew Francis,
Gary Lewis, Bernard Kenealy, Tom Bright, Maralyn Brain,
Christopher Browne, Helena Hughes, Margaret Pitson, Brian
Thomas, Lynda Rees, Candida Felicio, Nora Kennedy,
Patrick (Paddy) Colclough, Eileen Morgan and all the sick.
May the Lord lay his healing hands upon them.

ANNIVERSARIES: Richard Heady, Clifford Daniel Robinson,
Florence Josephine Swinhoe, Daniel John Hurley, Sr. Lucy
Hennessey U.J., Catherine (Kitty) Screen, John Ahern.



NOTICE

CATHEDRAL PARISH CAROL SERVICE – There are a number of Christmas concerts scheduled to take place at the cathedral this week including, for the first time since Covid, our own parish carol service. It would be greatly appreciated if you could take time out of your own busy schedules to come along and support our choir, who have organised it so that we might come together as a community, once again, to celebrate of the real meaning of Christmas. It takes place Sunday, 17th Dec. at 6 p.m. in the cathedral. Refreshments including mulled wine & mince pies will be available in the Holy Family Hall after the service. Thank you.

MASS INTENTIONS RECEIVED: (Deceased): John Griffin, Betty Burke, Ernillou Ubiw, Kay Latimer. May they rest in peace.

MASS INTENTIONS RECEIVED: (Other): Thanksgiving (Yonatan & Corina);

SANCTUARY LAMP REQUESTS:

REQUESTS FOR MASS INTENTIONS: Please be aware, if you want to book Anniversary and Birthday Masses, particularly at weekends, you need to do so at the earliest possible time . . . not wait until one or two weeks before. Owing to high demand, requests for weekend Mass Intentions are allocated on a “first come, first served” basis. Mass intentions may be scheduled for the 5:30 p.m. and 08:00 a.m. only. **NO MASS INTENTIONS WILL BE ACCEPTED FOR THE 10:00 a.m. MASS** unless it is for an Anniversary that actually falls on that particular Sunday. *Canon Benedict.*

WE ARE NOW ACCEPTING CONTACTLESS DONATIONS: Our new contactless terminal is in the porch. Just use your contactless debit/credit card or smart phone/device to make a donation. Simply choose the amount you wish to donate and hold your card onto the reader.

DONATING ONLINE: You may also donate online, just click on the link: <https://donate.mydona.com/st-josephs-cathedral>

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GIFT AID YOUR DONATION – whatever method you choose, if you are a taxpayer, please opt into the **GIFT AID** scheme. It increases your donation by 25%, It means, that **at no extra cost to yourself, the Church can claim an extra 25p for every £1 received. GIFT AID (GAD) FORMS are available in the porch. If anyone needs help filling out the form, please see Mary Clare who may assist. Thank you.**

CHRISTMAS OFFERINGS: Christmas & Easter offerings are the parishioners’ opportunity to thank their Priest for service during the year. Envelopes at the back of the church. You can also use the Contactless Giving Point, using your Credit/Debit card. Select “Other Amount” from the on-screen menu of the “Dona” contactless terminal, tap “Christmas Offering”.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION 2024 – The next class takes place at 6 p.m. on Monday 18th December in the Holy Family Hall.

RCIA: Meetings take place every Sunday at 4:30 p.m. in the Library of Clergy House.

LECTIO DIVINA: 7 p.m. every Thursday, in the Library of Clergy House.

HYMNS FOR THIS WEEKEND

Entrance: “Rejoice in the Lord always, and again I say, and again I say . . . rejoice in the Lord always, again I say, . . . and again I say rejoice.
Rejoice, rejoice, rejoice, rejoice.
Rejoice in the Lord always and again I say rejoice.”

Offertory: 708 & 604; **Communion:** 967;
Recessional: 355.

LAST WEEK'S OFFERINGS

Loose plate: £617.15
Electronic plate: } These figures will be posted on a
Standing orders: } Quarterly basis.
Standing Orders: }

The response to . . .

“Keep us faithful, Lord: . . . ” is
“to your calling.”

CHILDREN'S LITURGY: Parents of children between the ages of 0-6 years, please take advantage of the Childrens’ Liturgy which takes place on Sundays at the 10:00 Mass.

CHRISTMAS “GET-TOGETHER”
for our **ALTAR-SERVERS** and their families in
the
Holy Family Hall
at 6:00 p.m. on Friday 22nd December

MASS SCHEDULE FOR THIS WEEKEND

Sat. 23 Dec. 5:30 pm Vigil Mass of

4TH SUNDAY OF ADVENT

Sun. 24 Dec. 09:30 a.m. Holy Mass with
Children's Liturgy

CHRISTMAS MASS SCHEDULE

Sun. 24 Dec. 5:30 pm **VIGIL MASS** – Chief
Celebrant

Rev. Archbishop Mark

O'Toole

11:30 pm **MIDNIGHT MASS**

Mon. 25th Dec. 09:30 a.m. **CHRISTMAS DAY MASS**

Tues. 26th Dec. 09:30 a.m. St. Stephen, Martyr
(Feast)

Weds. 27th Dec. 09:15 a.m. St. John, Apostle,
Evangelist

Thurs. 28th Dec. (Feast)
NO MASS The Holy Innocents,
Martyrs (Feast)

Fri. 29th Dec. NO MASS 5th Day of Octave of
Christmas

Sat. 30th Dec. 6th Day of Octave of
Christmas
NO MORNING MASS

5:30 p.m. Vigil Mass of
THE HOLY FAMILY

SUNDAY

Sun. 31st Dec. 08:00 a.m. Holy Mass
10:00 a.m. Holy Mass

Mon. 1st Jan. 09:30 a.m. **MARY, HOLY MOTHER
OF GOD**
(Solemnity)