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This week at the Co-Cathedral: Year: A (II)

Sun 4th Jan.	2nd SUNDAY OF CHRISTMAS
05:30 (Sat.)	Vigil Mass: Julian Phillips (RIP)
08:00 (Sun.)	Mass: Len Llewellyn (RIP)
10:00	Mass: People of the parish
Mon 5th	Monday 5th January
09:15	Mass: Maureen Cahill (RIP)
Tues. 6th	THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD
	(Solemnity)
09:15	Mass:
Weds. 7th	Wednesday 7th January
	NO PUBLIC MASS
Thurs. 8th	Thursday 8th January
	NO PUBLIC MASS
Fri. 9th	Friday 9th January
09:30	Mass: Start of Spring term – Pupils & Staff of St Joseph's Cathedral School
Sat 10th	Saturday 10th January
	NO MORNING MASS
17:30	Vigil Mass: Rowland, Carole & Alison (RIP)
Sun 11th	THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD (Feast)
08:00 (Sun.)	Mass: Maureen Cahill (RIP)
10:00	Mass: People of the Parish

Holy Father's Intention for January: "For prayer with the Word of God" Let us pray that praying with the Word of God be nourishment for our lives and a source of hope in our communities, helping us to build a more fraternal and missionary Church."

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.

THE 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 I fly to thee, O Virgin of Virgins, My Mother. To thee do I come, before thee I stand, sinful and sorrowful. O Mother of the Word Incarnate, despise not my petitions but in thy mercy hear and answer me. 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, Tom Bright, Maralyn Brain, Christopher Browne, Helena Hughes, Brian Thomas, Lynda Rees, Candida Felicio, Nora Kennedy, Patrick (Paddy) Colclough, Eileen Morgan, Eileen Griffiths, Melanie Kennedy, Rita Lewis, Betty Fry, Danielle Jones; Donald Pitson, Pat Durran, Barbara Watts and all the sick. May the Lord lay his healing hands upon them.

ANNIVERSARIES: Patrick Cullen, Mair Cullen, Kathleen O'Brien, Margaret Morris, Jeanette Martin, Mark Hawker, Nicola Calio, Sylvia Carson, Veronica Allen, Nicholas Gray.

JOYCE EYNON (RIP) – FUNERAL ARRANGEMENTS: Requiem Mass 11:00 a.m. on Thursday 15th January followed by Cremation at Morriston Crematorium at 12:30 p.m. May she rest in peace. Amen.



NOTICES

PLEASE TAKE YOUR NEWSLETTER HOME WITH YOU and refer to it throughout the week as there are several changes.

THE SOLEMNITY OF THE EPIPHANY: Tuesday 6th January.
Please note: this is a Holy Day of Obligation. There will be just one Mass at the Co-cathedral on that day, i.e. at 09:15 a.m.

MASS INTENTIONS RECEIVED (Deceased): Jean & Bernard Davies²²; Joyce Eynon; Leonard Otterson.

MASS INTENTIONS RECEIVED: (Other):

SANCTUARY LAMP REQUESTS: Special Int. (MH); Special Int. (T & MES); Moira & Richard Heady (RIP); May, Charles & Terry Pitson.

BAPTISM: Parents wishing the sacrament of Baptism for their child, please meet Sr. Nora Mary after Mass on Saturday evening or after the 10:00 Mass on Sunday morning.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION – Classes will resume when the children return to school in the new year. (Date to be announced). *Maria Davies*

LECTIO DIVINA: 7 p.m. every Thursday, in the Library of Clergy House. – *Sr. Nora Mary.*

RCIA - For those interested in becoming Catholic, or those interested in learning more about our Faith: Meetings take place at 4 p.m. in the Library of Clergy House. Please call Sr. Nora Mary on 01792 461837 for more info, or meet her after Mass.

CHILDRENS' LITURGY GROUP

Would the Childrens' Liturgy Group please wait back after the 10:00 a.m. Mass on Sunday for a short meeting. Thank you.

Sr Nora Mary

HYMNS

Entrance: 708 Offertory: 131 & 172
Communion: 659 Recessional: 762

INTERCESSIONS/BIDDING PRAYERS

The response to . . . "O come: . . ." is
. . . . "let us adore."

OFFERINGS FOR HOLY FAMILY SUNDAY

1ST Collection (Loose Plate) £632.41
2ND Collection (Heating) £183.10

MEETING FOR PARENTS OF ALTAR SERVERS

Please would all parents of Altar Servers under the age of 18, please remain behind after the 10:00 Mass next **Sunday, 4th January** for a short meeting to inform and discuss the proposed Training Programme to be implemented in the new year. Thank you.

Canon Benedict

CANON BENEDICT'S NEW YEAR MESSAGE . . .

My dear brothers and sisters,

As we stand at the threshold of a new year, we first give thanks to Almighty God for all the blessings He has poured upon us throughout 2025. And with grateful hearts, we ask Him to look kindly upon us in 2026, granting us His abundant mercy, protection, and peace.

I want to thank each and every one of you for your steadfast faith, your generosity of spirit, and the way you continue to make this parish a true home — a real family of God's people where faith is lived, and love is shared without reservation. You are the heart of this community, and I am deeply grateful.

I also wish to express my sincere thanks for the Christmas gifts and the many other thoughtful gestures I have received from you. These are touching testimonies of your affection for your priest, and I appreciate them more than I can say. May the Lord reward your kindness, as Scripture assures us:

"And my God shall supply all your need according to His riches in glory by Christ Jesus." (Philippians 4:19)

As we enter the new year, I encourage you to keep the faith, to walk with confidence, and to trust completely in the promise of God, who says to us:

"Do not be afraid, for I have redeemed you; I have called you by your name, you are mine." (Isaiah 43:1)

May these words strengthen you in every joy and every challenge that 2026 may bring.

I entrust you and your families to the paternal care of our patron, St Joseph, and to the tender maternal protection of the Blessed Virgin Mary. May they accompany you always.

A blessed and grace filled New Year to you all.

Canon Benedict