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8th January 2017 THE NEWSLETTER for the Epiphany & 3rd Sunday of the Year (A)

Parish Masses for the Feast of Epiphany & 1st & 2nd Weeks of the Year

Date	Time	Intention	Feast
Sa 7 th	5.30pm St P's	Priest's Intention	Vigil of the Epiphany
Su 8 th	8.30am St P's	For the parish	The Epiphany
Su 8 th	10.00am St J's	Priest's Intention	The Epiphany
M 9 th	10.00am	Francis Nutter A	The Baptism of the Lord
T 10 th	8.00am	Thomas Holden L	Weekday
W 11 th	8.00am	Kathleen Aldred L	Weekday
Th 12 th	7.55am	Special Intention	Weekday
F 13 th	8.00am	Priest's Intention	Weekday
Sa 14 th	5.30pm St P's	Simon Jon Thomasson A	Vigil of 2 nd Sunday of the Year
Su 15 th	8.30am St P's	Priest's Intention	2 nd Sunday of the Year
Su 15 th	10.00am St J's	Priest's Intention	2 nd Sunday of the Year
M 16 th	7.55am	John & Jean Taylor R	Weekday
T 17 th	8.00am	Priest's Intention	St Anthony, Abbot
W 18 th	8.00am	Priest's Intention	Weekday
Th 19 th	7.55am	Priest's Intention	Weekday
F 20 th	8.00am	Priest's Intention	Weekday

L = Lately Dead, A = Anniversary of Death, R = Remembrance
P = Personal Intention, S = Sick, B = Birthday

M = Martyr, V = Virgin, B = Bishop, Pp = Pope
D = Doctor, P = Priest, R = Religious

Please pray for the following, the anniversaries of whose deaths occur at this time:

Fr Paul Magill SJ, Francis Nutter, Margaret Brown, Richard Henry Rogerson, Kathleen Hill, Mary Francis Slater, Elizabeth Hardman, Neil Murtagh, James Hughes, Mary Melling, Doreen Kenyon, Winifred Buller, Brigid Hardwick, Richard Algar, James Tomlinson, Isaac Wilkinson, Vincent Comber, Mary Frances Barlow, Robert Wilkinson, Brenda Ross, Alice Wilkinson, Kathleen Hayhurst, Joseph Smith, James Earnshaw, William Henry Duxbury.

May their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.

Readings at Mass	The Epiphany	2 nd Sunday of the Year	3 rd Sunday of the Year
First Reading	Isaiah 60:1-6	Isaiah 49:3,5-6	Isaiah 8:23-9:3
Second Reading	Ephesians 3:2-3,5-6	I Corinthians 1:1-3	1 Corinthians 1:10-13,17
Gospel	Matthew 2:1-12	John 1:29-34	Matthew 4:12-23

Collections: Very many thanks for your weekly donations for 31st December/1st January

Vigil	£ 107.15	8.30am	£ 40.04	10.00 am	£ 99.53	TOTAL	£ 246.72
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The Collection on Christmas Day goes towards the upkeep of elderly Jesuits and those who are in training for the Society of Jesus. Very many thanks for your donation of £1718.47

From Fr Griffiths:

At every time of the year, thanks are always due, but at Christmastime, they are especially due. Without mentioning names least one is omitted accidentally, on behalf of the parish, I would like to thank all those who worked so hard to ensure that our Christmas services went so well and prayerfully. Thanks to those who prepared and delivered the liturgies at 5.30pm Vigil Mass, Midnight Mass and 10.00am in St Joseph's. Our thanks to the College Gardens Department for the decoration of the altar in St Peter's, for those who decorated St Joseph's School Chapel, for the cribs in St Peter's and St Joseph's. To all the readers, Eucharistic Ministers, servers, musicians, sidesmen and sideswomen, Newsletter publishers and world-wide-web contact who serve the community every week-end of the year but especially at Christmastime and Easter, many thanks for your dedicated service. Without you, nothing would happen, and, of-course, we are always looking for others to help to ease your burden!!

The Jesuit Pastoral Conference 8th – 10th June 2017

Every two years, representatives from the Jesuit-run parishes in England and Scotland are invited to meet together. The object of the meetings is for parishioners in Jesuit-run parishes in different parts of the country to meet each other, share experiences and good practice and also to look more deeply at a particular theme or themes which could enhance their mission, where-ever they are.

In 2017, a meeting is planned in the Conference Centre in Swanwick, Derbyshire.

The dates and times are from **5.00pm on Thursday, June 8th** until after **lunch on Saturday, June 10th.**

The theme of the meeting is a study of the three encyclicals issued by Pope Francis since he became Pope.

They are:

Evangelii Gaudium - The Joy of the Gospel

Laudato Si – Care of Planet Earth

Amoris Laetitia - The Joy of Married Love.

Each Jesuit Parish – and we are one – is invited to send up to 12 people. The parish would fund attendees, including travel. All are invited and if you would like to attend, and it would be very good if we had twelve representatives, please let Fr Griffiths know as soon as possible.

In order to prepare for the gathering, there will be the opportunity to have guided instructions on each of the three encyclicals and information on these 'classes' will be given nearer the time.

I recommend this opportunity very highly. Pope Francis has taken his responsibilities very seriously indeed and we need as a parish to take on board his wishes for the Church of today.

Knowing the Faith.

'Classes' on various aspects of Catholic teaching.

Venue: The Parish Priest's office. Enter by the stepped entrance at the side of the church.

Time: 7.30pm.

Next Meeting: January 23rd 2017

Topic: The Church

Praying with the Pope in January, 2017

The Pope's Prayer intentions for the Apostleship of Prayer for January is that all Christians may be faithful to the Lord's teaching by striving with prayer and fraternal charity to restore ecclesial communion and by collaborating to meet the challenges facing humanity. Look at www.ThePopeVideo.org for more information.

'**Caritas**' is the official charitable works department of the Diocese of Salford. We now have a parish representative, Mrs Frances Duxbury, who liaises with them on our behalf. At the back of the church can be found copies of the Christmas edition of 'The Beacon' which is the newsletter of 'Caritas'. It is free; please take a copy and read about the work 'Caritas' does for the needy in our Diocese.

From the Parish Priest:

I shall be away from Monday, January 9th until Wednesday, January 18th. Fr Twist has kindly volunteered to say the midweek and 5.30pm and 8.30am masses during my absence and Fr Peter Brook will say the 10.00am mass in St Joseph's on Sunday, 15th January. My thanks to them both.

On Wednesday, 18th January, the **Novena of Prayer for Christian Unity** begins.

Many thanks for your Christmas and New Year greetings, cards and gifts, especially for the collection on Christmas Day. Your kindness does not go unnoticed or without a prayer of gratitude. Happy 2017!!

