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25<sup>th</sup> December 2016 THE NEWSLETTER for Christmastide (A)

Parish Masses for the Feast of Christmas

Date	Time	Intention	Feast
Sa 24 <sup>th</sup>	5.30pm St P's	Carol Ann Thomasson A	Vigil and First Mass of Christmas
Su 25 <sup>th</sup>	Midnight St P's	For the parish	Christmas Day
Su 25 <sup>th</sup>	10.00am St J's	Priest's Intention	Christmas Day
M 26 <sup>th</sup>	10.00am	In thanksgiving	St Stephen, The First Martyr
T 27 <sup>th</sup>	8.00am	Leo, Kathleen & Ena Hayhurst R	St John, Apostle & Evangelist
W 28 <sup>th</sup>	8.00am	Intentions of the Duxbury & Holden families	The Holy Innocents
Th 29 <sup>th</sup>	7.55am	Bronek Poloczec L	St Thomas Becket BM
F 30 <sup>th</sup>	8.00am	Kevin O'Hara L	The Holy Family
Sa 31 <sup>st</sup>	5.30pm St P's	Janet Maria Cowdall A	Vigil of Mary, Mother of God
Su 1 <sup>st</sup>	8.30am St P's	Priest's Intention	Mary, Mother of God
Su 1 <sup>st</sup>	10.00am St J's	Priest's Intention	Mary, Mother of God
M 2 <sup>nd</sup>	7.55am	Cecily Holden A	Ss Basil & Gregory BD
T 3 <sup>rd</sup>	8.00am	John Holden A	Most Holy Name of Jesus
W 4 <sup>th</sup>	8.00am	Cecily Holden A	Christmas Weekday
Th 5 <sup>th</sup>	7.55am	John Holden A	Christmas Weekday
F 6 <sup>th</sup>	8.00am	Burns, Holden & Myerscough families R	Christmas Weekday

L = Lately Dead, A = Anniversary of Death, R = Remembrance M = Martyr, V = Virgin, B = Bishop, Pp = Pope  
 P = Personal Intention, S = Sick, B = Birthday D = Doctor, P = Priest, R = Religious

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

Joseph Holden, May Holden, Richard Henry Bolton, Bernard Edward Snape, Ann Isherwood, Clare Rawcliffe.  
*May their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.*

Readings at Mass:	Christmas: Vigil	Midnight	Dawn	Mary, Holy Mother of God
First Reading	Isaiah 62:1-5	Isaiah 9:1-7	Isaiah 62:11-12	Numbers 6:22-27
Second Reading	Acts 13:16-17.22-25	Titus 2:11-14	Titus 3:4-7	Galatians 4:4-7
Gospel	Matthew 1:1-25	Luke 2:1-14	Luke 2:15-20	Luke 2:16-21

**Collections:** Very many thanks for your weekly donations for 17/18<sup>th</sup> December

Vigil	£ 86.46	8.30am	£ 100.81	10.00 am	£ 75.02	TOTAL	£262.29
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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.**



*On behalf of Fathers Twist and Wareing and myself, we wish you and your families every blessing this Christmastide. I would like to thank all of you for your support and encouragement during 2016. May the Lord reward you with the blessing of His love throughout 2017.*

*A Happy Christmas and a Blessed New Year to you all !!*

**The Jesuit Pastoral Conference 8<sup>th</sup> – 10<sup>th</sup> 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 8<sup>th</sup>** until after **lunch on Saturday, June 10<sup>th</sup>.**

**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 23<sup>rd</sup> 2017**

**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](http://www.ThePopeVideo.org) for more information.



**Christmas Masses and services in St Peter's and St Joseph's 2016**

**St Peter's**

**Saturday, December 24<sup>th</sup>** 10-11am Confessions

**Christmas Vigil Mass with blessing of crib 5.30pm**  
**(preceded with Carols at 5.00pm)**

**Midnight Mass at 12.00pm preceded with carols at 11.30pm.**

**St Joseph's**

**Sunday, Christmas Day 10.00 mass** in St Joseph's Chapel

**St Peter's, Feast of St Stephen, (Boxing Day)**

**Monday, 26<sup>th</sup> December**

**Mass at 10.00am.** (No 8.00am mass)



***Christmas Blessings and Peace!!!***

