

# St. Mary's Catholic Church

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## CELEBRATIONS AND MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

CHRISTMAS TIME WEEK 1

Sunday cycle A/weekday cycle 1

Day	Rank	Mass times	Mass Intention
Sun 25 <sup>th</sup> Dec	<b>SOLEMNITY: THE NATIVITY OF THE LORD</b>	Christmas Midnight Mass	00.00 midnight
		Christmas Dawn Mass	8.00 am
		Christmas Day Mass	10.00 am
Mon 26 <sup>th</sup> Dec	<b>FEAST: St Stephen</b>	9.00 am <i>in chapel</i>	<b>Sheila Walker</b>
Tue 27 <sup>th</sup> Dec	<b>FEAST: St John, Apostle &amp; Evangelist</b>	7.00 pm <i>in chapel</i>	<b>Titus</b>
Wed 28 <sup>th</sup> Dec	<b>FEAST: The Holy Innocents</b>	9.00 am <i>in chapel</i>	<b>Private Intention</b>
Thu 29 <sup>th</sup> Dec	<b>FEAST: St Thomas Becket</b>	<b>No Service</b>	
Fri 30 <sup>th</sup> Dec	<b>FEAST: The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph</b>	7.00 pm <i>Holy Hour</i>	<b>Eileen Stead</b>
Sat 31 <sup>st</sup> Dec	<b>Seventh Day within the Octave of the Nativity of the Lord</b>	10 am <i>in chapel</i>	
Sun 1 <sup>st</sup> Jan	<b>SOLEMNITY: MARY, THE HOLY MOTHER OF GOD</b>	Vigil 6.00 pm	<b>Muriel Farrar</b>
		10.00 am	<b>Parish</b>
		5.00 pm	<b>Doris &amp; Merv Gosper</b>

**GREAT  
AMEN**



**ADORATION:** Each weekday beginning 45 minutes before Mass.

**THE DIVINE OFFICE** is recited twenty minutes before each weekday Mass

**EUCCHARISTIC MINISTER PRAYER:** As we thank God for the gift of his Son to us in Holy Communion, let us remember those of our parish who are sick, old & housebound. May the Body and Blood of your Son, which we now send to them through our Eucharistic ministers, bring them hope, consolation & peace, through Christ our Lord.

**MEMORIAL ACCLAMATION** (for use throughout Year A):

**We proclaim your Death, O Lord, and profess your Resurrection until you come again.**

**SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION** (Confession) Saturday 10.30 am to 11.00 am, and by request at other times.

**PRAYER GROUP** Wednesday 7.00pm (Healing Prayer Group) Adoration, Lectio Divina, then prayers for inner or physical healing as required. For more information please contact Maureen 869264

**SVP:** St Mary's SVP offers friendship and help within the local community. If you or someone you know would welcome support please contact us on 07470312709. Next meeting Mon 2<sup>nd</sup> January 2017, 7.30pm in the Old School.

**IN YOUR PRAYERS, PLEASE REMEMBER:** May Braythwaite, Keith Broadbelt, Brian Buckley, Terry Callaghan, Brigid Davies, Vincent Doemling, David Doling, Lyze Dudley, Pat Eve, Brian Greaves, Eileen Hawkes, Barbara Hawksworth, Rosemary Hill, Eileen Huck, Simon Kennett, Bridget Linnie, Eleanor Mayhew, Peter Owens, Joan Parsons, Arthur Peters, Emma Reed, Mariana Robinson, Rose Smiles, Stephen Thorndike, Jean Westmancoat, Rosalind Wynne and all who are ill and those who care for them.

**PLEASE PRAY FOR:** Ellen Mulligan, Frances Fawcett, David Purcell, Margaret Copgrove, Dennis Hart, Edward Bradley, Michael Reaveley, Richard Fitzgerald-Hart, Sheela Outhwaite, Jane Weatherill, Joanne Akroyd, Elizabeth Encell, Anne Watson and all whose anniversary of death occurs at this time.

### THE HOLY FATHER'S MISSION INTENTIONS

That the peoples of Europe may rediscover the beauty, goodness, and truth of the Gospel which gives joy and hope to life.

## FIRST WEEK OF CHRISTMAS TIME

### EVENTS AND NOTICES



This day new light will shine up - on the earth: the Lord is born for us.

**NEXT SUNDAY'S READINGS** Num 6:22-27; Ps 66; Gal 4:4-7; Lk 2:16-21

**SECOND COLLECTION SUNDAY 25<sup>th</sup> DECEMBER** will be for FRIENDS OF THE HOLY LAND. This year they are focusing on the needs of the poorest Christian families in and around Bethlehem, West Bank, Gaza, Israel and helping Iraqi Christian refugees in Jordan. Their work covers support with education, employment, health and housing.

**JOAN GALE** Funeral at St Mary's Friday 30<sup>th</sup> December at 10.30am. Joan is the mother of Jean Jones.

**SVP CHRISTMAS 'TIME' APPEAL.** Too many in our community are isolated, lonely or cannot afford the family presents or foods the rest of us take for granted. A little of your time could be the best Christmas present you have ever given. To find out more about the work of the SVP, speak to Siobhan Goodfield or phone 07470312709.

**PRAYER SPONSORS:** We have a 20 young people preparing for the Sacrament of Reconciliation and the Sacrament of the Eucharist. If you would like to support an individual with your prayers please give your name to Fr William or Teresa Britton, [tcbritton54@gmail.com](mailto:tcbritton54@gmail.com).

**200 CLUB DECEMBER WINNERS:** £40 D Broady: £25 P Robinson: £20 C Strike: £15 M Wall.

**200 CLUB CHRISTMAS DRAW WINNERS:** £200 J Burrell: £150 B Johnson: £100 J O'Donnell: £75 R Papworth: £50 M Bell: £45 J Dyer: £40 S Perry: £35 M Henwood: £35 B Johnson: £30 Mr & Mrs Richmond: £30 A Dawson: £30 T Britton: £25 J Perry: £25 F Hull: £25 M Bendelow: £25 P Bryant: £20 V Walker: £20 D Broady: £20 P Owens: £20 D Rowe.

**CATHOLIC CARE** have written to thank St Mary's Parish for contributing £421.03 from the second collection on 6<sup>th</sup> November

**BENEDICTINE YEARBOOK 2017** and **THE LEEDS DIOCESE DIRECTORY 2017** are both now available in the Shop

**RECIPE BOOKS/HOME MADE CHUTNEY:-** Need a last minute Christmas Present? Why not consider one of our very own St Mary's Recipe Books: available in the atrium £5 each; OR a jar or two of our home made chutney - as priced. All proceeds towards the church/hall redecoration.

**OLIVE WOOD FROM BETHLEHEM** Hand carved at very reasonable prices. All proceeds support Christianity in the Holy Land. Please support

**APF - MILL HILL RED BOXES** Many thanks to all the box holders in 2016 and the ever reliable collectors. The total this year is £1864.60 which will be boosted by Gift Aid. As always, the above total goes to support the Missions worldwide. It would be great to have new people taking a Red Box - your small change can support the Missions. Just contact Peter Whitehead on 01423 865732 and receive a red box for Christmas!

**REFRESHMENTS:** Sadly there will be no refreshments after Mass on Sunday morning. Despite requests for help, our no of volunteers has dwindled to the extent that it is proving very difficult to serve refreshments on a weekly basis. Please could you consider volunteering in order that this important weekly social activity can continue. Please see Sheila if you are able to help or ring 869487/07885568856. Thank You

**WEEKLY COLLECTIONS** 18<sup>th</sup> December: plate £143.87; envelopes £139.00; votive: £9.25; Building fund £745.88; Second collection (Yemen) £281.92; Standing Orders weekly average £555.00; Attendance 192