

St. Mary's Catholic Church

25 Bond End, Knaresborough, HG5 9AW

Fr. William Wright O.S.B. pp.stmary.knaresborough@dioceseofleeds.org.uk 01423 862388

Web: www.stmarysknaresborough.org

www.facebook.com/stmarysknaresborough www.twitter.com/st_marys_parish

CELEBRATIONS AND MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

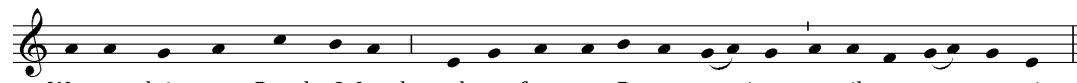
FOURTH WEEK OF ADVENT

Sunday cycle A/weekday cycle II

Day	Rank	Mass times	Mass Intention
Sun 22 nd Dec	FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT	Sat 6.00 pm Sun 10.00 am Sun 5.00 pm	Conceicao Matos Parish
Mon 23 rd Dec	Feria	9.00 am <i>in Chapel</i>	Isabella Rennison
Tue 24 th Dec	Feria	9.00 am <i>in Chapel</i>	Joesph McCann
	Christmas Eve Children's Mass*	4.30 pm	For Families
Wed 25 th Dec	CHRISTMAS MIDNIGHT MASS	00.00 midnight	Parish
	CHRISTMAS DAWN MASS	08.00 am	William & Alice Eckert
	CHRISTMAS DAY MASS	10.00 am	World Peace
Thu 26 th Dec	FEAST: St Stephen	No service	
Fri 27 th Dec	FEAST: St John the Evangelist	7.00 pm <i>in Chapel</i> <i>Eucharistic Service</i>	
Sat 28 th Dec	FEAST: The Holy Innocents	10.00 am <i>in Chapel</i>	Peter Owens
Sun 29 th Dec	THE HOLY FAMILY OF JESUS, MARY AND JOSEPH	Sat 6.00 pm	Terry Hewlett
		Sun 10.00 am	Harold, Mary & Kevin Warr
		Sun 5.00 pm	Parish

BEFORE MASS Our three Sunday Masses have each a different character and offer parishioners a variety of choice. The time before Mass begins Sat 6pm and Sun 5pm tend to be quiet and prayerful in the church, Sun 10am more socialising. All are welcome at any Mass including children and babes. And please feel free to use the side chapel before Mass for an alternative quiet and prayerful space.

MEMORIAL ACCLAMATION



We pro-claim your Death, O Lord, and pro-fess your Re-sur-rec tion un-til you come a-gain.

MASS INTENTIONS: If you wish a Mass to be celebrated for a particular intention, please use the orange envelopes available in the Atrium. These can be dropped into the collection plate, or given to Angela Smith who keeps the intentions diary. Please give at least three weeks' notice if you would like the Mass celebrated on a particular date.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION Saturdays 10.30 am until 11.00 am.

PRAYER GROUP: We are now meeting **2pm Wednesday** (Healing Prayer Group) for Adoration, Lectio Divina and prayers for inner or physical healing as required. For more information please contact Maureen 869264

IN YOUR PRAYERS, PLEASE REMEMBER: Harry Boucher, Heather Bulcock, Torben Jacob Cartey, Terry Callaghan, Alison Drake, Graham Drake, Lyze Dudley, Victoria Fulcher, David Little, Eleanor Mayhew and all who are ill and those who care for them. Send all prayer requests to Fr William: pp.stmary.knaresborough@dioceseofleeds.org.uk

PLEASE PRAY FOR: Dorothy Anderson, Margaret Mary Hamill, Maureen Bickford, Isabella Rennison, Julia Helen Inscoc, Jose Fieldhouse, Alice Eckhert, Ellen Mulligan, Frances Fawcett, David Purcell, Margaret Copgrove, Dennis Hart, Edward Bradley Michael Reaveley, Richard Fitzgerald and all whose anniversary of death occurs at this time.

THE HOLY FATHER'S PRAYER INTENTIONS

The Future of the Very Young. That every country take the measures necessary to prioritize the future of the very young, especially those who are suffering.

FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT



READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY Ecc 3:2-6, 12-14; Psalm 127:1-6; Col 3:12-21; Matthew 2:13-15. You can now find the full text for next Sunday's readings on the parish website. The link is on the homepage next to the link to this week's Parish Bulletin

VISITING THE PARISH WEBSITE Carmel Bridson (01423 868783) and Teresa Britton (01423 541737) would be very happy to help anyone to visit the parish website.

MINISTERS OF THE WORD Our Ministers of the Word will be commissioned/recommissioned at Mass this Sunday 4th Sunday of Advent

* **CHRISTMAS EVE CHILDREN'S MASS** This is a popular Mass and often exceeds seating capacity. This Mass is geared towards the children and I'd like to give priority to them with their families. Would any adults thinking of attending without children consider attending one of the Christmas Day Masses instead?

CTiK NAVITIVY PLAY by Christians Together in Knaresborough, 6pm in the market place Tues 24th Dec. Wrap up warm. Stewards are needed to distribute carol sheets and make people feel welcome. If you can help, meet Peter Lacey at the Friendship & Leisure Centre at 5:30 for a full briefing and contact peter.lacey8@icloud.com

SECOND COLLECTION this Sunday will be St Mary's contribution to help fund this production by Christians Together in Knaresborough. See above.

RETIRING COLLECTION at the Christmas Eve Children's Mass and all three Christmas Masses: Friends of the Holy Land, which helps the most deprived Christians in the Holy Land: West Bank, Gaza and Israel.

CHRISTMAS EVE SERVICE OF READINGS AND CAROLS 11.30 pm. Newcomers, visitors and everybody welcome.

SVP next meeting Monday 6th January, 7.15 pm in the Parish Meeting Room.

PARISH FRIENDSHIP GROUP next meeting Monday 6th January, 1.30 pm in the Old School.

200 CLUB CHRISTMAS DRAW: £200: A Wray (159); £150: C Burrell (87); £100: Mrs Haxby (175); £75: J Dyer (108); £50: B Johnson (182); £45: Mr&Mrs Boucher (55); £40: S Owens (192); £35: Mr&Mrs Turner (99), Lesley Lister (200); £30: Mrs MM Bell (220), C Strike (70), D McIntyre (155); £25: D Rowe (198), T Keelan (56), S McDermott (171), E Haggerty (63); £20: F Harrison (117), C McMahon (38), Mr&Mrs Dawson (163), M Smit (169).

ST JOSEPH'S TABLE: Collection of food for the homeless in the area. Please put items in the box in the Atrium.

DIOCESAN ANNUAL REVIEW Available free of charge in the atrium. This is a snapshot in words and pictures of some of our homes, schools and parishes across the diocese.

REVERSE ADVENT CALENDAR Boxes for donations will be in the Atrium until the last Sunday of Advent. Please support this appeal and share the spirit of Christmas. Would like to add particular thanks to Boroughbridge High School who have already generously given 5 boxes of donations to this appeal.

CHURCH FLOOR Progress on agreeing a cost effective way forward to repair the church floor and potentially try to prevent further problems in the future is proving difficult. We don't expect an agreed implementable solution until January 2020 at the earliest.

FUNDRAISING EVENTS: (1) Pantomime- Mother Goose Thu 2 Jan The Old School Hall, 7.30pm £8.50/£4(child). Tel Maureen 07949 779446 (2) Christmas Hamper raffle tickets will be on sale in The Atrium £1

ST JOHN'S CAR PARK can be used during Sat 6pm and Sun 5pm Masses, but not Sunday 10am Mass. St John's have their own service at this time. Parking options: Tentergate, Stockwell Rd (shortly before Boroughbridge Rd) and Boroughbridge Rd; disc parking (2hrs) on the High Street, Station Road and Kirkgate; Conyngham Park 90p for 1hr and £1.80 for 2hrs – or talk to other parishioners. Please also consider walking or cycling if you can.

WEEKLY COLLECTIONS w/b 15th December: plate £287.41; envelopes £79.89; votive: £6.25; Building fund £125.00; International Outreach £2.00; Attendance 235.