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JANUARY 5th 2014 : SOLEMNITY OF THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

Sunday Masses

Saturday	6.0pm Int.	For the People
Sunday	9.0am Int.	Mary Shutt (CT)
	11.0am Int.	Anne Hannon

Weekday Masses

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Monday	CHRISTMAS FERIA	
10.0am Int.	+Sheila Slatterly	
Tuesday	CHRISTMAS FERIA	
10.0am Int.	Josie Goodwin	
Wednesday	CHRISTMAS FERIA	
10.0am Int.	James Cawley & Family	
Thursday	CHRISTMAS FERIA	
No services today		
Friday	CHRISTMAS FERIA	
10.0am Int.		
Saturday	CHRISTMAS FERIA	
10.30am Int.	+Helen Coyne	
6.0pm Int.	+Herbert Gray, Priest	

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday Noon and 5.30pm, or by appointment.

Exposition and Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament Tuesday 10.30am; Benediction at 11.0am.

The Rosary Friday 10.30am

The Divine Office

The Office is said a quarter of an hour before the Mass on Weekdays. This week we use Psalter Week 2

The Mass today The readings can be found on p.115 of the Parish Mass Book, and on p.124 of The Sunday Missal.

At the 6.0pm Mass **Eucharistic Prayer 3** Sanctus & Benedictus Parish Mass Book p.25 Hymns (Angelus) 170, 167 At the 9.0am Mass **Eucharistic Prayer 1** Parish Mass Book p.25 Sanctus & Benedictus Hymns 145, 166, 168 At the 11.0am Mass **Eucharistic Prayer 2** Hymn Book 498 Gloria Sanctus & Benedictus Parish Mass Book p.25 167, 150, 144, (Angelus) 145 Hymns The Psalm Response for all of the Masses is printed at the bottom of the page.

This Sunday the quarter-hour Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament before Mass will precede the 9.0am Mass. Next Sunday, it will take place before the 11.0am Mass.

THIS WEEK

7.30pm Queen of Peace Prayer Monday Group, at the Presbytery. All welcome. Tuesday The new School Term begins ; Fr.John visits the St.Francis' School, Norwich Wednesday 11.0am The Monthly Service at Oak Manor. 2.0pm A Meeting of the Union of Catholic Mothers, in the Narthex. Friday 7.15pm-8.15pm Young Servers Club, in the Narthex. 10.30am-11.30am Saturday Club, Saturday for young people aged five to twelve. Next Sunday We keep the Feast of the Baptism of the Lord, and Christmastide comes to an end.

PARISH NOTICEBOARD

Anniversaries Matthew Murphy (2009), Eira Whitehouse (2007), Philip Ward (20070), Lillian Carter (2002), Len Smith (2008), Kathleen Strayton (2001), and James Tinney (2009). RIP

Money Matters Last Sunday £461.18 was given at the Offertory. The Christmas Offering amounted to £1,385.04. This year a total of £100.60 was given to *LET THE CHILDREN LIVE*! through the Christmas Card box at the back of church. I rather think that this is the best result we've had.

Next Sunday, there will be an opportunity to support SPUC (Society for the Protection of the Unborn Child) by means of the annual White Flower Appeal. This isn't one of the official 'Retiring Collections' ; there will simply be a basket and the white flowers on the table at the back of church.

Locked Out I do hope that you were not overly inconvenienced by the two side-gates being locked last Tuesday. As I explained in the Notices last Sunday, we have to lock the gates on at least one day each year to prevent a Right of Way being established across our site.

Photographs I wonder whether anyone has got any good photographs of the recent Christmas Lunch and Bethlehem Tableaux? If so, it would be good to send one or two to the diocesan newspaper, which likes to feature such events. Please tell me if you can help.

Red Missionary Boxes Donal Hannon writes 'It is time to empty the red boxes again, and send off the contents to *APF*. If your box is ready for emptying, please will you bring it to church next Sunday or the Sunday following. If you think that the box has only has a small amount in it as yet, well best keep on to it until next time. At the last opening, boxes gradually drifted in over many weeks. I should be grateful if this could be avoided in future.'

Union of Catholic Mothers Brenda May writes 'UCM meets on Wednesday this week at 2.0pm. New female members and visitors are always welcome – whether married or single, and whether or not you have children! You are assured of a friendly welcome.'

Diocesan Mass for the Sick Elaine Wilkes writes 'The annual Mass in honour of Our Lady of Lourdes and Anointing of the Sick is to take place on Saturday February 15th 2014 at 12 Noon in the Cathedral of St.John the Baptist in Norwich. Any parishioner wishing to attend but needing assistance with travel, please let the SVP know by telephoning Elaine on 01362.851159 by January 15th.'

THE NEWSHEET

And so the first Newsheet of a New Year (I always wince when I hear it called 'the bulletin', which makes it sound far too self-important and vital). Preparing it is, I suppose, one of the things which I most enjoy doing in the course of the week, even though my lack of typing-skills means that almost each word has to be re-typed several times! But what is it all about? What is its purpose? And would it matter if it didn't appear? – a prospect which I have to face weekly as our twelve-year old computer threatens to give up the ghost at any moment!

I suppose one might say that the Newsheet is there to provide us with information which we NEED TO HAVE (times of Masses, etc); information which we LIKE TO HAVE (what's going on in the Parish, etc.) and information which we OUGHT TO HAVE (material which might – hopefully – help us to deepen our understanding of the Faith, its truths, its promises and its demands.)

Alternatively, one might say that it exists to help us in some small way to grow in our Love of God and in our Love of other People : hopefully the teaching which I try to introduce helps with the first, but most important in this are the Mass times with which the Newsheet begins. Because it is principally by taking part in the liturgy of the Church that we both express and deepen our love for God. And then as regards our neighbour, well the activities which we undertake together, of which details are found in the Newsheet, and our simply BEING a community of faith, hopefully promotes our love for one another, expressed in joint ventures and in mutual care and interest.