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TIMES OF MASSES AND OTHER LITURGIES

Sunday, 10.01.21

9:30 am

6:00 pm

Feast of the Baptism of the Lord

Mass: Kochely Thomman RIP

Mass: Parishioners

Monday, 11.01.21

9:30 am

Feria

Mass: Roger Newman RIP

Tuesday, 12.01.21

10:30 am

Feria

Mass at St Mary & John's

Wednesday, 13.01.21

9:30 am

Feria

Mass: Thanksgiving Intention

Thursday, 14.01.21

NO MASS

Feria

Friday, 15.01.21

7:00 pm

7:30 pm

Solemnity of St Paul, the First Hermit

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

Mass: For successful exam

Saturday, 16.01.21

9:30 am

10:00 am

Mary, Queen of Hermits

Mass: Intentions of Willie Teresa Family

Confessions

Sunday, 17.01.21

9:30 am

6:00 pm

Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

Mass: Peter, Michael and Mark Fenlon RIP

Mass: Lydia Whitehead RIP

Confessions: Sat. after 9.30 am Mass or on request



YOUR OFFERINGS: 27TH DEC £0.00 (GIFT-AID £0.00)

ACT OF SPIRITUAL COMMUNION:

My Jesus, I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament.

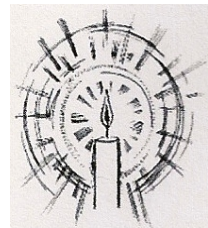
I love You above all things, and I desire to receive You into my soul.

Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally,
come at least spiritually into my heart.

I embrace You as if You were already there and unite myself wholly to You.

Never permit me to be separated from You. Amen.

PLEASE PRAY FOR ALL THE SICK AND HOUSEBOUND: Violet Griffin, Patricia Padley, Peter Cullis, Malcolm & Barbara Harris, Sally McNulty, Jack Byrne, Catherine Finnegan, Doris McShane, Fergus Fallon, Gerry Simpson, Michael Lockett, Obed, Charito, Melchor, Darcy Jamandri, Norma and Marivic Orenca. *Names may be added to this list only with the specific permission of the infirm person for whom prayers are requested.*



PLEASE PRAY FOR THOSE WHOSE ANNIVERSARIES OCCUR IN

JANUARY (part 2): Frederick Greenwood, Kathleen Brooks, Margaret Egginton, John Gregory, Keith Emery, William Carr, Priscilla Lissemann, Alice Docherty, Evelyn Kelly, M. Barry Neeld, Frances Davies, Ann Smith, Joseph Bagley, Phyllis Jordan, Thomas Bird, Catharine Johnson, Samuel Brownhill, Evelyn O'Keefe, Stanley Mincher, William Kimpton, Iris Forde, Joseph Hamill.

YEAR OF ST JOSEPH With the Apostolic Letter *Patris corde* (With a Father's Heart), Pope Francis recalls the 150th anniversary of the declaration of Saint Joseph as Patron of the Universal Church. To mark the occasion, the Holy Father has proclaimed a *Year of Saint Joseph* from 8th December 2020, to 8th December 2021. Full text of the Letter can be found on the Vatican News Website.

CHRISTMASTIDE ends after Evening Prayer this Sunday, 10th January. Jesus now makes his way into the world outside Nazareth, and spends the next three years teaching, and in curing illnesses of body and souls throughout Judaea and Israel.

FEAST OF ST PAUL THE FIRST HERMIT is celebrated on 15th January (Friday). Saint Paul is the Patron



of the Pauline Fathers, the Order to which Fr Dawid belongs. This holy man lived in the 2nd /3rd century in Upper Egypt. He was born into a wealthy and noble family. During the persecution of Christians, he fled into the Desert but found the surroundings so much to his taste that he decided to spend the rest of his life in the secluded wilderness. He spent nearly 100 years as a hermit in the desert, in prayer and contemplation of God. He lived in a cave, and every day a raven brought him a loaf of bread. Next to this grotto was a spring which supplied his needs. Before he died he was visited by another holy man, St. Antony the Abbot, founder of the eremitical life in Egypt. The two men prayed together: it was their last meeting. After his departure St. Paul died in the position of praying. St. Jerome tells us that lions came and dug his grave for burial. Paul's fame spread rapidly throughout the region, and he is regarded as the very first saint to take up the life of a hermit. His icons show a raven with a loaf of bread, two lions and a palm tree: these are all shown on the arms of the Pauline Order.

ATTENDENCE AT HOLY MASS AT ST PATRICK'S Due to the current pandemic situation, there are many requirements for the resumption of public worship, without which we would not be allowed to resume:

- People must provide **face coverings** which **must be worn**.
- **Please arrive in good time**, to minimise queuing outside the church; you will be shown to a seat by one of the stewards.
- Enter by the ramp door. A one-way system will be in place in church.
- Please sanitise your hands on entry.
- Due to social distancing requirements, there is a reduced capacity which is 65. (However, **members of a household/"bubble" may sit together**, and thereby the capacity increases significantly)
- **TRACK AND TRACE: a member of each household is requested to give a name and phone number for the Government track and trace scheme.**
- There will be no congregational singing.
- Offertory collections: a collection plate or basket will be on your way in and out of the Church, so you can leave your offerings as you enter the church. (No offertory collection during the Mass).
- People are encouraged to bring their own Missals/tablets to follow the order of Mass. Any printed newsletters should be taken home because they cannot be re-used.
- **Holy Communion** will be distributed after Holy Mass has been completed. People should queue for Holy Communion in a socially distanced manner, approaching the Altar along the central aisle and in single file. Only the priest will distribute Holy Communion.
- Face coverings/masks should be removed to receive Holy Communion and then replaced immediately.
- People should then proceed down to the exit, and leave via the side door in the chapel.
- There will be no toilet facilities available.
- Churches must be sanitised after each celebration of Holy Mass.

