

St Mary's Masses

CHRISTMAS EVE (Thursday 24th December)
Solemnity: The Nativity of Our Lord Jesus Christ
 6pm Vigil Mass For the People of the Parish
 9pm (Midnight Mass) For the Faithful Departed
 of St Mary of the Angels and Holy Family

CHRISTMAS DAY (Friday 25th December)
Solemnity: The Nativity of Our Lord Jesus Christ
 10.00 am For the People of the Parish
 12.00 pm Intentions of the Holy Father

Saturday: St Stephen, Protomartyr (26th Dec.)
 12.15pm Keith Ridick

**Sunday: Feast of the Holy Family of Jesus,
 Mary and Joseph (27th December)**
 10.00am Baker Family & Betty Lee
 12.00pm Robert Hole
 6.00pm Thanksgiving

**Monday: Feast of the Holy Innocents,
 Martyrs (28th December)**
 10.00am J B Donovan / Geraldine & Martin Devine

**Tuesday: Feast of St Thomas Becket,
 Bishop and Martyr, Patron of the Pastoral Clergy
 of England and Wales (29th December)**
 10.00 am Christian Andrew Baker

**Wednesday: 6th Day of the Christmas Octave
 (30th December)**
 10.00am Mike Brown
 12.00pm Funeral Mass for Mrs Mary Molloy

**Thursday: 7th Day of the Christmas Octave
 (31st December)**
 10.00am David & Maria Lewis

**Friday: Solemnity: Mary, Holy Mother of God
 (1st January, New Year's Day)**
 10.00am Intentions of the Holy Father

THE CHRISTMAS OCTAVE CONCLUDES

**Saturday: Sts Basil the Great & Gregory
 Nazianzen (2nd January)**
 12.15pm Joan Sheehan

Sunday 2nd Sunday after Christmas (3rd Jan.)
 10.00am Constance W Lynch & Deceased Family
 12.00pm Ian McCabe (Anniversary)
 6.00pm

Monday: Weekday of Christmas Time (4th Jan.)
 9.30am Timothy Corcoran
 12.15pm

St Mary's Masses cont'd

Tuesday: Weekday of Christmas Time (5th Jan.)
 9.30am Bernard Jones
 12.15pm

**Wednesday: Solemnity:
 The Epiphany of the Lord (6th January)**
 12.15pm Riccardo & Natalia Fava
 7.00pm Mrs Terry Roblin

Thursday: Weekday of Christmas Time (7th Jan.)
 9.30am
 11.00am Funeral Service for Mrs Mary Protheroe

Friday: Weekday of Christmas Time (8th Jan.)
 9.30am Winnie Corcoran
 12.15pm

Saturday: Weekday of Christmas Time (9th Jan.)
 12.15pm

**Sunday: Feast: The Baptism of the Lord
 (10th January)**
 10.00am Matthew Thomas
 12.00pm
 6.00pm

Holy Family Masses

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 11.00am Brian Collins

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 11.00am Kenneth Cook DFC

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Please note that the figure of the Christ Child is only placed in the Crib at Midnight Mass, therefore will be absent from the Crib at the Vigil Mass.

Christmas greetings from Holy Family & St Mary of the Angels



On behalf of Fr Nicholas, Monsignor John, Deacon Maurice, Deacon Christian and myself, I extend to you all our warmest Christmas Greetings and offer you the assurance of our prayers. We have all experienced the many challenges presented by the pandemic, from the immediate life-threatening impact of the virus itself to the economic and social shockwaves that were generated as a result. Our Christmas celebrations are inevitably constrained as compared to other years, however, we can and must maintain our focus upon what is essential. Every Christmas we are threatened by the temptations of distraction and indulgence. Perhaps this year, as we celebrate the Nativity of Our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ, we can forge a deeper bond with our 'Emmanuel' who is the Light of the World. We are so very conscious of our fellow parishioners who are still having to protect themselves through shielding. With our spiritual and practical support, may their sense of isolation be diminished. We are also aware of the particular grief experienced at Christmas by those families that have lost loved ones during this past year, whether to COVID or to other conditions; may the members of the Holy Family bring comfort and consolation to the homes of all the bereaved. We thank all the key workers who have sustained us, our nation and our world through these difficult times. We pray for our children and young people who have found these past months so disruptive to their education and wellbeing; may their celebration of the Christmas feast lead them into the depths of our faith so that they can discover the true joy of life.

**MAY THE BLESSINGS OF CHRISTMAS TAKE ROOT IN EVERY
 HEART AND HOME AND MAY THE NEW YEAR BRING US ALL
 TO A DEEPER APPRECIATION OF THE FULLNESS OF
 FAITH AND LIFE.**