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Parish in the care of the Fathers and Brothers of The Sacred Heart of Jesus (Betharram)

*Welcome to this House of God–**Talk** to God before Mass*
***Listen** to God during Mass–**Talk** to others after Mass*

3RD SUNDAY OF ADVENT
DAY OF PRAYER FOR EXPECTANT MOTHERS

YEAR "A"
10TH - 18TH DECEMBER 2016

MASS ATTENDANCE & OFFERTORY

Offertory Loose money	£450.18
Gift Aid Envelopes	£355.33
Poor Parish Fund	£233.72

Thank You

Mass Attendance 406

THE RETIRING COLLECTION

This week the second collection will be for Father Hudson's Care. Father Hudson's is the social care agency of the Archdiocese, reaching out to support vulnerable people young and old. Please give generously to this worthy cause.
Next week: Parish Levies

CHRISTIAN MEDITATION

Takes place every week at the Marist Convent on Wednesday at 2.00pm and Thursday at 7.00pm.

WALK WITH ME - ADVENT 2016:

The Advent Parish Service of Reconciliation takes place on Monday 19 December, 7pm here in Church.
Please note the times of the **Christmas Masses: Christmas Eve: Family Vigil Mass, 6pm. Carols and Readings, 8.30pm followed by the Mass of Christmas Night, 9pm. Christmas Day: Dawn Mass, 8.30 and Mass During the day, 10.30.**
We are invited to join St Paul's for their Service of Nine Lessons and Carols on Sunday 18 December, 6.30pm.

PIETY STALL

Open this weekend Also on the 17th & 18th December. Christmas cards and Calendars etc on Sale.

WASHING OF ALBS

Would Parents of Altar Servers please help by taking home their child's Alb's to be washed and returned to the Sacristy during the week. Other Volunteers would be great fully appreciated.

"ARE YOU THE ONE WHO IS TO COME," JOHN IS ASKING" OR HAVE WE GOT TO WAIT FOR SOMEONE ELSE?"

Last week we heard about John the Baptist preaching repentance and of the coming of the Messiah. John, this week has been imprisoned by Herod Antipas and we know that death by beheading awaits him. This caused John to send his disciples to ask the question 'Are you the one or have we to wait for someone else'. Jesus sent John's disciples back to tell him of the things that were happening and to reassure him of the 'Good News'. St. Jerome said "John is greater than the other prophets because they predicted that someone was to come. Whereas John on seeing Jesus pointed out that he had come saying 'Behold the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world'. John belonged to the order of angels, not by nature but the importance of his task. John was the messenger who would announce the coming of the Lord". Jesus said 'I tell you solemnly, of all children born of women, a greater than John the Baptist has never been seen'. Lord Jesus, deepen within me a sense of privilege and blessing in knowing you and having your Holy Spirit with me'.

DEACON TERRY

Priest in Charge
Fr. Alessandro Locatelli, SCJ

Parish Deacon
Rev Terry Charles

Superior of the community
Bro Andrew SCJ

Parish Brother
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GREAT BARR FOOD BANK

Our last collection for the Christmas Food Bank will be week 17/18 December this is an opportunity to bring Christmas food please. there will not be a collection on 24/25 December but will resume as normal 31st Dec- 1st Jan Thank you to all who donate.

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE FOLLOWING PRIESTS.

Sat	10th	Dec Fr Matthew Soji
Sun	11th	Dec Fr Stephen Squires
Mon	12th	Dec Fr Michael Stack
Tue	13th	Dec Fr David Standen
Wed	14th	Dec Mgr M Starkey
Thurs	15th	Dec Fr Simon Stephens
Fri	16th	Dec Fr John Steward

GREAT BARR CHURCHES TOGETHER:

A Tale of Refugees: Join with ecumenical friends to discover through the arts more about refugees and Asylum seekers; and how Jesus and his family experienced life as refugees. We will gather together on Mondays 1.30-3pm and Wednesdays 7.30-9pm; this week we meet at Margaret's Church to explore through prayer how Jesus and his parents were refugees. We gather for Carol Singing at Aldi Supermarket on Saturday 17 December, 10:30, please join us!

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PLEASEPRAY FOR OUR SICKPARISHIONERS,

Alison Alder, Frances Brady, Pauline Brady, Mary Breen, Geoff Bullock Anna Burke, Audrey Clewlow, Josephine Conway, Bill Corley, Rose Delacruz, Kate Dudley John Dudley, Millicent Finn, Tomas Godwin, Arthur Harding, Anne Haycock, Father Anthony Haycock, Sadie Hayes, Wilf Hayes, Joyce Heath, Peter Hayward, Kath Hennessy, Leah Hobson, Bridie and Bryn Howells, Stephen Hurley, Maurice Hughes, Monica Humphreys, Elizabeth Ibbotson, Peter Larkman, Patricia Lacey, Tony Liddell, Hugh Creegan, Helen Lloyd, Linda Lowe, Mary Lynch, Caroline Mackay, Sheila & Malcolm Morris, Michael O'Neill, Adam Ostrowski, Jane Paterson, Ray and Sandra Pearson, Joan Rawlings ,Bridie Revill, John Sippits ,Victor Tambling, Joan Cannon, Marion Vickers,

LATELY DEAD

Please remember in your prayers Mary Greaves, Tracy Grant and all those who have died recently. May they rest in peace.

FUNERAL ARRANGEMENTS

For Mary Greaves

Reception into Church at 6:30pm on 15th December 2016. Requiem Mass at 11:30am on 16th December 2016. Followed by Burial at St Margaret's Chapel Lane at 1:00pm.

ANNIVERSARIES

Please remember in your prayers Teresa Sanders, Ernest Cole, Anne Simkiss, Grenville Elmore, Susanna Sullivan, Helena Campion, Alexander Butler, Margaret Morrison, Irene Chapman, Margaret Bates, Dr Greaves, Ernest Philips, Mary Shiels, Paul Lermont, Umberto Infanti, Michael Donnelly, Sid Hobson, Clarence Coppock and all whose anniversaries occur about this time. May they rest in peace.

POSTAGE STAMPS

We are collecting used postage stamps For charity please put them in an envelope and hand in to the Parish Office in the New Year.

SINCERE THANKS

To all who helped in anyway at the senior citizens party last Saturday Your help was very much appriciated by all.

Coffee in Centre today after 10.30 am Mass.

This week – Sorry No Coffee in the Centre. Next Week- Play Group (Michelle Kirwan)

PARISH CENTRE

Sunday Bingo 8.00pm.

New Year's Eve tickets are now on sale! £7 for members and children £10 for non-members. Tickets are now on sale to everyone.

Friday 16th December Christmas dance with Tony Kearney, Price, £5 tickets on sale now!

For booking contact Trisha Glavin. Phone: 07825185668

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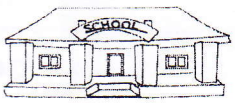
SPECIAL NEEDS PARTY

December 17th 1:00pm till 5pm anyone who knows anyone with special needs is more than welcome to join the party. Presents labelled Male/Female will be greatly appreciated.

EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS

Are needed for all Christmas Masses. Please add your availability on the lists in the Church porch today. Remember To ask another minister to take your place if you are unable to take your turn and to alter the rota in Sacristy. Thank you.



PARISH SCHOOLS

We thank Holy Name Primary School for celebrating their Carol Services here in Church last Thursday. St Mark's Carol Service takes place on Thursday morning in the School Hall. We wish them all a very Happy and Peaceful end of term on Friday!

CHRISTMAS PRESENTS FOR CHILDREN

Again the last week for collecton will be 17th -18th December. Thank you

MASSES AND SERVICES

Saturday 10th December

10:00am- For Parish
10:30 – 12 noon Confessions
12:30pm-Intentions of Catherine Freeman

Sunday 11th December

8:30am – Ernest Cole RIP
10:30am- Tim Leahy RIP
12.00pm- Baptism of Elsie Turton

Monday 12th December

11:00am- Divine Mercy
11:30am-William Revel RIP

Tuesday 13th December

9.05am-Mass in Holy Name School – Noel McDonald RIP

Wednesday 14th December

11.00am- Rosary
11.30am- Intentions of Fr Peter Conley

Thursday 15th December

9:15am – Mass in Church – Pauline Callaghan RIP
6.30pm- Reception into Church Mary Greaves

Friday 16th December

11:30am- Requiem Mass of Mary Greaves

Saturday 17th December

10.00am- Mary Hayes RIP
10:30 – 12 noon Confessions
12:30pm- Georgette Tammam RIP

Sunday 18th December

8:30am- For Parish
10:30am- Michael Rose and Malachy Farnan RIP

SCJ FATHERS AND BROTHERS COMMUNITY NEWS:

At the very centre of the Spirituality of the Sacred Heart Fathers and Brothers is the forthcoming Feast of the Incarnation: Our Advent God, sending his Son Jesus, Emmanuel, God-With-Us. Please take a copy of the Mission Awareness leaflet from the prayer table in the porch.

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