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(Betharram)



SOLEMNITY OF THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

Year A

4th January – 12th
January 2020

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

Today's Mass Readings

Isaiah 60: 1-6;

Ps 71; Ephesians 3:2-3,
5-6;

Matthew 2:1-12.

THE ARRIVAL OF THE MAGI

This feast of the arrival of the Gentile Wise Men can be an example for all of us. We admire their dedication that took them on their journey. They were very important men in their homeland, but they were also humble enough to worship a child born to poor parents in a foreign land. They had the faith to worship this special child as a king. Do we have such dedication in our search for Jesus? Do we have the faith to worship the baby born in a stable and acknowledge him as Lord and Saviour?

The journey of the Magi reminds us that Jesus is the light of the world, and people from every nation are called to come and worship him. The Paschal candle is a constant reminder of this.

“Lord Jesus, you are the light of the world. We want to worship and adore you, and to offer you all the gifts that we have, so we may use them to build up your kingdom”.

DEACON TERRY

MARIST WAY MEETING

This meeting will be on Monday 6th January at 2:00pm in the Convent. All are welcome.
Many Thanks.

Wishing you all a very happy New Year!

*From Br Andrew, Deacon Terry,
Fr Vincent, Payal And Parish Office
Staff.*

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PRAY FOR OUR SICK PARISHIONERS

Mary Arulandhu, Ossie Bishop, Audrey Clewlow, Catherine Freeman, Teresa Goddard, Arthur Harding, Maurice Hughes, Stephen Hurley, Bridget Green, Elizabeth Ibbotson, Haydee Stanton, Anna Kennedy, Harold Johnson, Linda Lowe, Sr Annie Enright, Sandra Pearson, Anne Jennings, Janet Chamberlain, Margaret Jacob, Millicent Finn, Kevin O'Neill, Kala Kanji, Grace Sharron, Rose Bohan, Joan Rawlings, Sheila Shearon and Bridget Whitfield.

RECENT DEAD AND ANNIVERSARIES

Please remember James Farren, Owen McCann, Doris Roarty, Harold Johnson and all those who have died recently. We also remember John Kelly, Margaret Moore, Patrick Flood, Patrick Logan, Sheila Morris, Irene McNulty, Della King, Ellen Dyer, Anne Forde, Maureen Leighton, Rosario Adamo, Tony Brennan, Bridget Gordon, Peter Bolger, Peter O'Grady, Lawrence Woods, Raymond Cutler, Philomena Skeen, Robert Royce, George Flynn, Fr. Becker, Nellie Tonks, John Toner, Maureen Mann, Nora Cruise, Sylvia Twohey, Mary Brian, Edith Stadniczuk, Francis Gilligan, Peter Flynn, Violet Atkinson, Steven Chan, Mary Small and all those whose anniversaries occur about this time.

Requiem Mass for James Farren is on Friday 10th January 2020 at 11:30am followed by Cremation at Sandwell Valley Crematorium at 1:00pm.

VOBIS GRATIAS AGO - THANK YOU

As we welcome the New Year, I would like to express my gratitude to all parishioners for showing us (Sacred Heart Community) your love, hospitality, kindness, generosity and support during 2019. I would like to say a big Thank You to all those members of different groups of the parish who have helped me in so many different ways during this year. Most importantly, my sincere thanks to all those who helped prepare the Church and Liturgy, especially at Christmas. Also the Sacred Heart Community would like to express our sincere thanks to everyone in our parish community for your Christmas cards, Christmas offering, prayers, presents, support and help. Deacon Terry also shares with us a word of thanksgiving for all the Christmas cards and gifts received. Finally, may we wish you a very Happy and Peaceful and Prosperous New Year 2020.

<p align="center">This Week 4th January - 12th January (Psalter Week 2)</p>	<p align="center">Holy Mass & Services</p>	<p align="center">Other Events</p>
<p align="center">Saturday 4th January Christmas Feria</p>	10:00am Mary King 10:30am– 12pm Confessions 12:30pm Patrick Logan RIP	
<p align="center">Sunday 5th January SOLEMNITY OF THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD Retiring Collection for Church Maintenance</p>	8:30am Celeste Doyle 10:30am Peter Hayward RIP	Coffee & Tea in the Parish Centre after 10:30am Mass. (C.A. M.P - Helena Hammond) 8.00pm-9:30pm Bingo in the Parish Centre.
<p align="center">Monday 6th January Christmas Feria</p>	11:00am Divine Mercy 11:30am Carmen Mulholland	7:30pm Journey in Faith
<p align="center">Tuesday 7th January Christmas Feria</p>	9:15am Mass in Church - Mary King	
<p align="center">Wednesday 8th January Christmas Feria</p>	11:00am Holy Rosary 11:30am John & Margaret Beirne	
<p align="center">Thursday 9th January Christmas Feria</p>	9:15am - Mass at St Mark's School - Celine Reeves RIP	
<p align="center">Friday 10th January Christmas Feria</p>	11:30am Requiem Mass for James Farren	
<p align="center">Saturday 11th January Christmas Feria</p>	10:00am Edward, Elizabeth & Regina Bailey RIP 10:30am– 12pm Confessions 12:30pm Ints. Archbishop Bernard Longley	
<p align="center">Sunday 12th January FEAST OF THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD Retiring Collection for Parish Levies</p>	8:30am James Sullivan RIP 10:30am Helen Byrne RIP	Coffee & Tea in the Parish Centre after 10:30am Mass (Scouts) 8.00pm-9:30pm Bingo in the Parish Centre.

Loose Money:

£ 413.94

Gift Aid Envelopes:

£ 383.52

Building Fund:

£ 550.31

Mass Attendance

Last Sunday: 321

**Thank you for
supporting your
Parish.**

HOLY NAME KEEP

FIT GROUP

This exercise group
will be on Tuesday

7th January

2020. Many thanks.

CHILDREN'S

LITURGY GROUP

The Children's
Liturgy group is
closed for

Christmas Holidays.

It will re-open next
Sunday, the 12th
January 2020.

Please
encourage your
children and
grandchildren to be
part of this
Liturgy group.

Next Sunday's Mass

Readings:

Isaiah 42:1-4,6-7;

Ps 28;

Acts 10: 32-38;

Matthew 3:13-17

TRANSPORT TO MASS

The S.V.P. are looking to see if there is a demand to provide a minibus, or similar, to bring parishioners to and from Mass. We need to know how many people would be interested in this free service, their location and preferred Mass time in order to obtain quotations. Would people interested in taking advantage of this service please contact the Parish office in the first instance. Please let anyone you know, who has difficulty getting to Mass, that we hope to introduce the service in the New Year if there is sufficient response.

CHRISTMAS CARDS

There are some Christmas cards left in the Church porch. Could you please collect your Christmas Cards? Many Thanks.

THANK YOU - PIETY STALL

We have a big Thank You to say to Pat Richards who is retiring from her role in looking after the Piety Stall after over 30 years of dedicated service. Her quiet presence at the back of the Church on so many Sundays has kept us in cards and gifts for all those special occasions throughout the years. She will be missed. We now have a vacancy for this role so if you are interested and would like to help, please speak to Fr. Vincent.

DIVINE MERCY RETREATS

The Divine Mercy Apostolate of Marian Fathers is organising a Divine Mercy Retreat on Saturday 18 January 2020 from 11:00am to 4:30pm at St Joseph RC Church, 68 Grange Park Road, Leyton, London E10 5ES. And also on Saturday 25 January 2020 from 11:00am to 4:30pm at St George's Cathedral, Lambeth Road, Southwark, London SE1 6HR. All are welcome. No advance booking or registration is required. For more details please see the poster on the Church noticeboard.

JOURNEY IN FAITH

Our theme this week is **Knowing God - The Old Testament**. These sessions are open to everyone so if you are enquiring about the faith or are a "cradle Catholic" there is something here for you.