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THE NATIVITY OF THE LORD

24th/25th December 2022

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Protecting your Privacy:

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Mass and other liturgies live streamed from Westminster Cathedral and other parishes are available at www.churchservices.tv

MASS TIMES

Sunday Mass: 8.00am, 9.30am and 11.00am

Monday to Friday Mass: 9.30am; Saturday Morning: 11.00am

Saturday Morning: Confessions: 9.30am to 10.45am with Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament,

Saturday Evening: 5.00pm Vigil Mass for Sunday

Ethnic Chaplaincies: Polish Mass every Sunday 1.00pm, Ukrainian Mass 2nd Sunday 2.30pm & 4th Saturday 7.00pm; Malayalam Mass 3rd Sunday 2.30pm; Mass in Tagalog 4th Saturday 3pm; Mass led by Nigerian Chaplaincy 4th Sunday 2.30pm.

This Parish is part of Westminster Roman Catholic Diocesan Trust (WRCDT) Registered Charity No: 233699

JESUS – GOD’S GIFT TO US

Christmas is all about God’s Son coming down on earth, taking on our human nature so that we can have the dignity of being God’s children. This is a love story – the mystery of love. This is why Christmas is so important.

If we really want to understand people we must live among them, we must go where nobody recognises us. We must see what they see, hear what they hear, live what they live.

This is what God has done. He has drawn near to us in the person of Jesus. He became one of us. He lived among us. God meets us where we are.

Recently we have had a number of deaths in our parish. Some have been unexpected; families are grieving the loss of their loved ones. Yes, God meets us where we are in our grief, or loneliness or when we are carrying a heavy burden. Unfortunately, it won’t be the happiest of Christmases for many who are feeling the effects of the energy crisis and rising prices.

By becoming a child, and completely dependent on human care, God took away the distance between us – the Divine and the human. What would we do without Him? We need God in our lives. We need God made flesh in Jesus. He became human like us, walking our streets, walking in our shoes. This is why we celebrate Christmas, the Incarnation – The reason for this special season.

This is the good news. This is the great joy which the angels announced to the shepherds. Thank you for all you do in our parish. I am always inspired by your concern for one another and your wonderful generosity.

Welcome to everyone who is home for Christmas, to help a loved one or a friend, to come home, and to come home to God at Christmas, is a gift beyond compare.

May the light of Jesus shine on you and your loved ones this Christmas and in the New Year, bringing you Peace, Joy, and Hope.

Can you find the secret Christmas word – do you know what it is???

A B C D E F G H I J K M N O P Q R S T U V W X Y Z

FR. JOHN

Happy Christmas and Wishing you all God’s Blessings for Christmas and the New Year.

From the Parish Team



**SERVICES AT ST LAWRENCE'S
AT CHRISTMAS AND NEW YEAR**



Saturday 24 December - Christmas Eve

Mass - 6.00pm, 8.00pm and 10.00pm (Carols at 9.30pm)



Sunday 25 December - Christmas Day

Mass - 8.00am, 9.30am, 11.00am and 1.00pm (Polish)
No evening Mass

Monday 26 December - St Stephen

Mass - 10.00am, 1pm (Polish)

Tuesday 27 December - St John

Mass - 10.00am

Wednesday 28 - The Holy Innocents; Thursday 29th December - St Thomas Beckett; Friday 30 December - The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary And Joseph

Mass - 9.30am,

Saturday 31 December - 7th Day in the Octave of Christmas

Mass - 11.00am,

Vigil Mass for Sunday - 5.00pm

Vigil led by the Nigerian Chaplaincy - 10.30pm-Midnight

Sunday 1 January - New Year's Day

Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God

Mass - 8.00am, 9.30am, 11.00am and 1.00pm (Polish)



Monday 2 January - St Basil the Great and Gregory Nazianzen

Mass - 10.00am, 1.00pm (Polish)

Tuesday 3 - Thursday 5 January

Mass - 9.30am



Friday 6 January - The Epiphany of the Lord

Mass - 9.30 (with school), 12.00noon, 7.00pm

Saturday 7 January

Mass 11am, 5.00pm

Sunday 8th January - The Baptism of the Lord

Mass - 8.00am, 9.30am, 11.00am and 1.00pm (Polish)

PARISH OFFICE

The Parish Office will be closed from 23rd December re-opening on Tuesday 3rd January.

REST IN PEACE

We pray for the repose of the souls of Jeremiah Gorman RIP (brother of Sr Nora), Josie O'Keefe RIP (sister-in-law of Annie Burke), Bogden Kwiecinski RIP, Agnes Windsor (nee Nicol) RIP, Patricia Heagney RIP, Felicio Mendes RIP, Luis Sequeira RIP, Patrick Maple RIP, Christopher (Chris) Michael Holland RIP, Frances Atkins RIP, Hildegard Merriquer RIP, Pauline Cynthia O'Hanlon RIP, and James (Jim) Coleman RIP, who have passed away recently.

- **Patricia Heagney RIP** - Her Requiem Mass will take place here on **Tuesday 3rd January** at 11am.

- **Patrick Maple RIP** - His Requiem Mass will take place here on **Wednesday 4th January** at 12 noon.

- **Agnes Windsor (nee Nicol) RIP** - Her funeral will take place at 12.20pm on **Wednesday 18th January** at Hanworth Crematorium.

We also keep in our prayers all the family and friends who mourn them. May they rest in eternal peace.

UCM

The UCM Ladies meet after the holidays on **Monday 9th January 2023** at 12noon

MASS INTENTIONS

Sat 24	11.00am	World Peace
	6.00pm	Christmas Eve Family Mass
	8.00pm	Vigil Mass
	9.30pm	Carol Service
	10.00pm	Mass in the Night (Midnight Mass)
* Sun 25	8.00am	People of the Parish
	9.30am	People of the Parish
	11.00am	People of the Parish
	1.00pm	Mass in Polish (Msza sw)
Mon 26	10.00am	Brian Calmiano and Family in Thanksgiving
Tues 27	10.00am	Michael Hurley RIP (Anniversary)
Wed 28	9.30am	Alice Pereira RIP
Thurs 29	9.30am	Derrick Juriansz RIP
Fri 30	9.30am	Baby Myles Rodrigues RIP
Sat 31	11.00am	Sr Mary Conlan RIP
	5.00pm	Anne Schulte RIP
	10.30pm	New Year's Eve Vigil Mass led by the Nigerian Chaplaincy
* Sun 1 Jan	8.00am	Razia Rebello RIP
	9.30am	Deceased members of the Crawley and McGillicuddy Families RIP
	11.00am	Patricia Soares RIP (Anniversary)
	1.00pm	Mass in Polish (Msza sw)
Sanctuary Lamp: Helen Abiegbe and Family Intentions		

Mon 2	10.00am	Genevieve Fernandes in Thanksgiving
Tues 3	9.30am	Sr Anne Joseph Grogan RIP
	11.00am	REQUIEM MASS - PATRICIA HEAGNEY RIP
Wed 4	9.30am	Sr Mary Cohen RIP
	12.00noon	REQUIEM MASS - PATRICK MAPLE RIP
Thurs 5	9.30am	Mary O'Donoghue - Birthday Intention
Fri 6	9.30am	Rosie Fernandes RIP (with School)
	12.00noon	Derrick Juriansz RIP (Anniversary)
	7.00pm	Neville Gill RIP (Anniversary)
Sat 7	11.00am	Pauline Cynthia O'Hanlon RIP
	5.00pm	Bernadette Doyle - Birthday Thanksgiving
* Sun 8	8.00am	Diego D'Souza RIP
	9.30am	Sonny Rosario RIP
	11.00am	Philip & Anne Sheridan RIP
	1.00pm	Mass in Polish (Msza sw)
	2.30pm	Mass in Ukrainian
Sanctuary Lamp: World Peace		

CHRISTMAS CRIB APPEAL

Our Christmas Crib Appeal is for the Catholic Children's Society.

CHRISTMAS OFFERING ENVELOPES

If you do not have a Planned Giving envelope but would like to make a Christmas Offering, please take a "Christmas Offering" envelope available in the porch.

SENIOR CITIZEN'S LUNCH

The Senior Citizen's Christmas Lunch will be held on **Sunday 8th January** from 12noon. There are lists in the porch for Senior's wishing to attend to put their names and contact details and also indicate if you would like a lift. There are also lists for helpers. Any queries please call Philomena on 07941 168066.

Due to health and safety concerns we have had difficulty getting volunteer drivers, it is best if those attending the lunch find their own transport. Apologies for any inconvenience.

WESTMINSTER YEAR BOOK 2023

Now available in the repository. £5.00 for a bound copy or £6.00 for a ring bound copy.

CHURCH CLEANERS

The Church is cleaned on a Thursday morning after Mass. If you are able to spare half an hour or so, please come along and join the existing group of cleaners.

SACRAMENTAL PROGRAMMES

NOTICE FOR CONFIRMATION 2023

The closing date for applications is 8th January 2023 please email Cathy Early cathythecatechist@outlook.com.

Also, as mentioned at the Welcome Meeting, we are looking for volunteers to assist at the Senior Citizen's Party on 8th January. Please call Cathy asap if you are able to help.

SUNDAY SCHOOL

The programme starts on 8th January. Please meet in Church and parents are advised to stay as it will be a short session.

CHILDREN'S LITURGY

We require additional volunteers for Children's Liturgy at the 11am Mass. Please speak to Cathy Early or email her (address on front page) if you are able to help. Children's Liturgy will resume on Sunday 16th January.

CHRISTMAS HAMPER RAFFLE WINNING TICKET

White ticket 242 - Serial no AH875973

Thank you for your generosity in raising money for the Parish Centre, the total was £970.50

THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROUS CONTRIBUTIONS

Collection 17-18 December 2022 was:

Loose: £842.30 Envelopes: £196.35 Total: £1,042.65

<https://portal.mydona.com/assets/webPay/index.php?cid=262>

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