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SECOND SUNDAY AFTER THE NATIVITY 3rd JANUARY 2021

Dear Parishioners,

God chose us in Christ. God's only Son was made flesh and lived among us so that we who believe in Him might become the adopted Sons of the Father. Before the world was made God chose us in Christ and for this we give thanks to the Father.' (Pope Saint John Sunday Missal.)

Father Dominic writes: 'Dear Parishioners, As Father Joseph, Deacon Kevin and I wish you every blessing for the New Year we also wish to offer you our sincere thanks for your prayerful participation in the Christmas Liturgies. We have been very conscious of your prayerful support and kindness expressed in so many different ways.


Thank you to those who beautified the Church with flowers, Cribbs and Trees; to those of you who have exercised your ministry as Altar Servers, Readers, and Organists and as volunteers for stewarding and cleaning. We are very grateful for your generous service of the Parish. In this context, we offer our prayerful congratulations to Franc and Annette Kelly who will be receiving the 'Bene Merenti' at the 11.30am Mass this Sunday. This gift from Pope Francis is in acknowledgement of their care of the priests of the Parish for almost 30 years as well as their service of the Parish and wider community. In some respects, it also represents your own commitment and service of this lovely Parish of Saint Augustine's.

Our sincere thanks to you also for your generous Christmas Offerings, your beautiful cards and gifts and for your prayers and for having Mass offered for our intentions. We appreciate all your kindness to us.

Please remember in your prayers Mrs Jill Jones who will be Received into Full Communion during the 11.30am Mass on Sunday 10th January.

We hope to begin the Sacramental preparation for our young Parishioners for First Holy Communion and Confirmation. If you wish your child/children, not attending a Catholic School, to be prepared for either of these Sacraments please contact one of the Clergy or Miss Libby Service 1st4activities@gmail.com For our First Holy Communion Children we have arranged the following dates: Tuesday 12th January 6pm in the Parish Hall an Information Meeting for parents. On Sunday 17th January at the 11.30am, Mass there will be an enrolment for the Children. Finally, on Tuesday 19th January from 4.30pm- 5.45pm there will be the Children's first lesson. Some of these meetings may now have to be by zoom so please check with Libby.

On Wednesday 6th January, we celebrate the Solemnity of the Epiphany. Mass will be PTO

<p>2nd January Saturday St Basil the Great & St Gregory of Nazianzen</p>	<p>1 John 2:22-28 John 1:19-28 Public & Live streamed Mass 10.00am John & Elizabeth Ward-RIP Mary Cassidy-Intention</p>	<p>Church open for Private Prayer 11.00am-11.30am</p>
<p>3rd January SECOND SUNDAY AFTER THE NATIVITY</p>	<p>Ecclesiasticus 24:1-2, 8-12 Ephesians 1:3-6,15-18 John 1:1-18 Public & Live streamed Mass 9.00am All People of the Parish Members of Father Paul's Family Public & Live streamed Mass 11.30am Franc & Annette Kelly & Family Pat Ferris-Intention</p>	<p>Church open for Private Prayer 11.00am-11.30am</p>
<p>4th January Monday Christmas Feria</p>	<p>1 John 3:7-10 John 1:35-42 10.00am Live streamed Mass Reg Wells-RIP Special Intention</p>	
<p>5th January Tuesday Christmas Feria St Charles of St Andrew</p>	<p>1 John 3:11-21 John 1:43-51 10.00am Live Streamed Mass Vera Manton-RIP Julie Murphy-RIP</p>	
<p>6th January Wednesday SOLEMNITY OF THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD</p> 	<p>Isaiah 60:1-6 Ephesians 3:2-3,5-6 Matthew 2:1-12 11.30am Public & Live streamed Mass Guy Patterson-RIP Stephanie Withers & Family-Intentions 7.00pm All People of the Parish</p>	<p>Private Prayer / Confession 10.45am-11.15am</p>
<p>7th January Thursday Christmas Feria St Raymond of Penyafort</p>	<p>1 John 3:22-4:6 Matthew 4:12-17,23-25 10.00am Live streamed Mass Special Intention (C.J.) Joan & Dan Doyle-Intentions</p>	
<p>8th January Friday Christmas Feria</p>	<p>1 John 4:7-10 Mark 6:34-44 9.45am. Requiem Ann Teresa White</p>	<p>Holy Hour 5.15pm-6.15pm</p>
<p>9th January Saturday Christmas Feria</p>	<p>1 John 4:11-18 Mark 6:45-52 Public & Live streamed Mass 10.00am Francis,Paul, & Kevin Hickey-RIP Dorothy Hall & Jackie Lemmon-RIP</p>	<p>Private Prayer 9.30am-10am Confession after 10am Mass</p>
<p>Feast of the Baptism of the Lord</p>	<p>Isaiah 42:1-4, 6-7 Acts 10:34-38 Mark 1:7-11 OR Isaiah 55:1-11 1 John 5:1-9 Mark 1:7-11 Public & Live streamed Mass 9.00am All People of the Parish Father Roger Raven-Intentions Public & Live streamed Mass 11.30am Family of Teresa & Mick Donovan- Intentions John Ryan-RIP</p>	

celebrated at 11.30am and 7pm for the benefit of Parishioners. For the 7pm evening Mass, we have requested free car parking in the lower level of the Dominion Car Park. For Anne White's Requiem Mass on Friday 8th January at 9.45am there are a few places available if you wish to attend. However please speak with Father Dominic first if you wish to attend.

MARRIAGE MATTERS www.twoinoneflesh.org.uk Second Sunday after Christmas (Ecclesiasticus 24:1-2, 8-12 Ephesians 1:3-6, 15-18 John 1:1-18) You have been chosen St Paul says "You have been chosen" and John says "All things have life in Him". In a marriage, each partner has been personally called to love their spouse in a lifelong relationship. The fact that God calls us individually means that He has chosen us for a specific reason: to bring life to my partner, to understand and forgive.

The Wednesday evening meetings for 'Lectio Divina', will recommence on Wednesday 13th January 7.30pm.

FATHER HUDSONS- on behalf of everyone at Father Hudson's Care I would like to thank you for keeping Father Hudson's Care, our staff, volunteers and service users in your thoughts and prayers. With the ongoing challenges of the pandemic, the 2020 Crib appeal will look slightly different from past appeals, and I wanted to inform you of some slight changes and how you can continue to support vulnerable people in need of our care now more than ever.

If you are able to invite people into your church to visit your Nativity scene, we would like to invite you to take part in this year's Crib Appeal. You can download the poster from the parishes page on our website [here](#) or on our [resources page](#). If you are not able to host as many visitors as usual we will be taking this year's Crib Appeal online as well. We would like to ask as many parishes and individuals as possible to share a picture of their Advent and Christmas preparations on Facebook or twitter any time during advent with the following information:

This Christmas we are supporting @fatherhudsons, show you care to by sharing a picture of your Christmas preparations and by donating to support people in need in your Archdiocese to <https://www.justgiving.com/campaign/fhccrib2020> #fatherhudsonscrib

ST AUGUSTINE'S SCHOOL NURSERY- Applications are now open for Nursery places at St Augustine's School for entry in September 2021. The nursery is a 15hrs a week funded provision for children to join in the September after their 3rd birthday (2021 entry would be for children born Sept 2017 – August 2018). Nursery is Monday to Friday 9.00 – 12.00. Applications are made directly to the school. Application forms and more information can be found at <https://st-augustines-catholic-primary-school.secure-primariesite.net/admissions/>

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS THE SICK OF THE PARISH

Keith Frettsome	Martin Yates	Virginia Gregory,	Angela, Eilish, Tony Duffy	Martha Sheridan	
Joan Kennedy	Roberto Cordora	Kevin Fahy	Sandy Simia	Adam Cole	Sue Hodrien
Trevor Windle	Danny Meadows	Anne(Eithne) O'Sullivan	John Doyle	Pat Ferris	
Patricia Mann	Paul Mann	Cornelius Callanan	John Kavanagh	Damian Poole	
Diane Burgess	Kathleen Clark	Kathryn Farmer	Malachy Hanly	Father Fred Sheldon	
Martin Yeates	Dan Doyle	Kevin McDaid			



“I believe
That I enter a glorious new year
To be filled with prayer and praise.
With service to God and mankind,
With inspired creative activity.
I believe That God’s presence goes with me
Wherever I shall go this year,
By train or car or boat,
Slowly paced on foot, or high in the air.
I believe His love is shining in my body,
His wisdom guides my mind,
His peace fills me with poise,
His strength is ever at my call.
Oh I believe That this is God’s new year.” — Elizabeth Searle Lamb

Shine through me and be so in me that every soul I come in contact with may feel Thy presence in my soul. Let them look up and see no longer me but only Jesus. Stay with me and then I shall begin to shine as you shine, so to shine as to be a light to others.” — Mother Theresa

Please pray for: Anne White, (Requiem, Friday 8th January 9.45am. Reception into Church Thursday th at 5.00pm), James Conway (Service, Yardley Crematorium, Friday 8th January 12.15pm), Adrian Haigh, Hielle, Colette Hickey, James Farmer and Anne Taylor who died recently.

Also Audrey Williams, Thomas Christopher Houghton, Marian Agnus Kelly, Margaret Priestley, Catherine Donnelly, Archibald Ruddock, Daniel Anthony Devlin, Thomas Kennedy, John Preston, Patrick McCann, Patrick Joseph O’Reilly, Dorothy Hall, Pasqualina Di Prizio, John Murphy, Bernard Shenlock, Lily Park, Joan Applin, and all with anniversaries at this time.

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