

St Joseph's and St Patrick's

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THE FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT

23rd December 2018

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| Saturday | 22 nd | 5.30 p.m. | Vigil | People of the Parish |
| Sunday | 23 rd | 9.00 a.m. | (St Patrick's) | Bill Brookes (LD) |
| | | 10.30 a.m. | (St Joseph's) | Louise Whalley |
| Monday | 24 th | 9.00 a.m. | Weekday | Special Intention (KA) |
| Christmas Masses | | 5.30 p.m. | (St Joseph's) | People of the Parish |
| | | 10.30 p.m. | Carols & Readings (St Patrick's) | |
| | | 11.00 p.m. | Midnight Mass (St P's) | Terence Corteen (B'day R) |
| Christmas Day | 25 th | 10.30 a.m. | (St Joseph's) | Malcolm Geldard |
| Wednesday | 26 th | 10.00 a.m. | St Stephen | Susan Edmondson & Janet Nutter |
| Thursday | 27 th | 9.30 a.m. | St John the Evangelist (St Patrick's) | Service of the Word & Holy Communion |
| Friday | 28 th | 9.00 a.m. | The Holy Innocents | " " " " " |
| Saturday | 29 th | 10.00 a.m. | St Thomas a Becket | Deceased members of the Dwyer Family |
| | | 5.30 p.m. | Vigil | Heather Demaine (LD) |
| Sunday | 30 th | 9.00 a.m. | (St Patrick's) | People of the Parish |
| | | 10.30 a.m. | (St Joseph's) | John McEvaddy (LD) |

WISHING ALL OUR READERS AND WORSHIPPERS ALL BLESSINGS IN THIS HOLY SEASON OF CHRISTMAS

Exposition: Thirty minutes before all weekday services and before Confessions.
Confessions: Saturday 9.30 – 10.00 a.m. and 4.45 – 5.15 p.m. or by request.
Baptism: We welcome **Gabriel Charles Mulholland** into the Body of Christ at the 10.30 a.m. Christmas Mass and congratulate his parents Chloe & Stuart.

Home Alone on Christmas Day: We thank those volunteers who have given up their Christmas day to bring food, cheer and the Christmas spirit of Christ in our Community Centre on 25th December. What a great example, to the town and villages, of Christian hospitality!

St Patrick's Raffle will be drawn after Mass on Sunday. First prize – a day out in Barlick!

Living Faith Booklets: January to March (£1.50) with reflections for each day based on the Mass readings – available at the back of the church.

No sign of the parish diaries this year.....

Passada: The travelling couple from Nazareth are nearing Bethlehem, via Earby – have you booked a night for Mary and Joseph?

Mass Intentions Received: Intentions of Josie Whitaker; Paul Whitaker (A); John McEvaddy (LD); Intentions of Lady Mary Manton; A Novena of Masses for the sick and housebound.

'Comfy' Benches: Yes, the first big cushions have arrived on the front rows of St Joseph's. There is no extra charge for sitting in the cushioned benches!!

Next Luncheon Club will be on Thursday 10th January – stock up at Christmas so you don't starve.

Thank you to all who have decorated the churches for Christ's birthday.

Prayer Trees – at both churches. Their purpose is for people to hang prayers/intentions on the branches and, at the end of each month, they will be included in the weekly intentions at the weekend Masses.

Income: You parted with £742.56 (Envelopes £549.10; Loose £193.46) Many thanks.

Numbers at Mass: 5.30 p.m : 70 9.00 a.m : 46 10.30 a.m : 88 Total : 204

The Food Bank: Going in to the New Year, the Food Bank is short of breakfast cereals, biscuits and tinned meat (e.g. Meatballs, chilli con carne, Irish stew). If you can help in any way, please put the donations in the boxes at the back of both churches.

SVP Meeting: The next meeting will be on Wednesday 9th January at 7.00 p.m. in the Centre. All welcome.

Special Prayers

Lillian Price – Jennie Hendley – Jim Kelly – Bob Fletcher – Agnes Power – Stella & Stanley Bajkowski – Maggi (Peggy) Tullett – Mary Posiko – Margaret DeVito – Phyllis Kिरrage – Brian Flaherty – Val Kaynell – Mark Hoare – Dale McLaughlin – Marie Keating – Eddie Murgatroyd – Max Hudson – Peter Catley – Stan Nelson – Paul Wood – Barbara Morrison – Brenda Thornley.

Please pray for these and for the comfort of anyone suffering in any way. Please also remember the recently deceased and those whose anniversaries occur about this time.

Readers and Eucharistic Ministers for Next weekend 29th / 30th December

| Readers: | | Eucharistic Ministers | |
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| 5.30 p.m. | Nick Lucas | 5.30 p.m. | Judith Southern/Marie Brewster |
| 10.30 a.m. | John Fee | 10.30 a.m. | Peter Owen/Anne Wood |

Your Christmas collection is your gift to the parish priest.