



NEWSLETTER

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4TH SUNDAY OF ADVENT

DAY OF PRAYER FOR EXPECTANT MOTHERS

23RD DECEMBER 2018

MASS TIMES, INTENTIONS & SERVICES

DECEMBER 2018

23 rd	Sun	09.30:	Sarah Clifton + <i>Children's Choir</i>
		18.00	Geoffrey Walter Stevens +
24 th	Mon	09.00	Michael John Murphy – Get well
		18.00	CHRISTMAS VIGIL MASS (FAMILY MASS): Christmas Intentions of the Priest <i>(Filipino Choir)</i>
		11.30	CAROL SERVICE (<i>African Choir</i>)
		00.00	SOLEMN NATIVITY MASS <i>(Santa Terezinha Choir)</i>
25 th	Tue	10.00	CHRISTMAS DAY MASS: <i>(Main Choir)</i>
26 th	Wed		NO MASS
27 th	Thu		NO MASS
28 th	Fri		NO MASS
29 th	Sat	10.00	Jocelyn Esteban (Thanksgiving)
30 th	Sun	09.30	Methodear Method + <i>African Choir</i>
		18.00	Thanksgiving: Gerry & Carla

RECENT DEAD: Edmundo Pereira

ANNIVERSARIES: Cecilia Michael and Cherry Judith Smith

FINANCES LAST WEEK:

- Offerings: £270.75
- Side Window Fund: £61.35

HALF & HALF: Please keep buying tickets for the December draw to take place on 30th December.

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS:

- **TODAY: 9.30am:** Lorraine McKenna, Matthew Emerson and Pat McGroarty. **6.00pm:** Lilian Tatenda Mwawa and Fred Manansala
- **24TH DECEMBER: 6PM VIGIL MASS:** Lilian Mwawa, John Kusumalayam, Lorraine McKenna
- **MIDNIGHT MASS:** John Thomas and Juniya John
- **25TH DECEMBER: 10AM CHRISTMAS DAY MASS:** Rolly Esteban, Pat McGroarty and Chris Donovan
- **NEXT SUNDAY: 9.30am:** Chris Donovan, Pat McGroarty and Lorraine McKenna. **6.00pm:** John Thomas and Lilian Mwawa

READERS:

- **TODAY: 9.30am:** Veronica Robbins, Sally McVeigh and Sally McVeigh. **6.00pm:** John Thomas, Reemon Jacob and John Thomas
- **24TH DECEMBER: 6PM VIGIL MASS:** Jocelyn Esteban, Marianne Fermin and Rocelle Galindez

- **MIDNIGHT MASS:** Cathy Wanja, Salome Basuluwa and Michelle Afanu
- **25TH DECEMBER: 10AM CHRISTMAS DAY MASS:** Veronica Robbins, Sally McVeigh and Veronica Robbins.
- **NEXT SUNDAY: 9.30am:** Cathy Wanja, Benedict Afanu and Michelle Afanu

CHRISTMAS FLOWERS: All flower arrangers please come to give a hand tomorrow, Monday 24th December soon after the 9.00am Mass for the Christmas flower arrangement.

CHRISTMAS OFFERINGS IN SUPPORT OF THE PRIEST: will be the only collection at each of the Christmas Masses.

DURING THE CREED AT THE NATIVITY MASSES all are invited to kneel at the words *"...and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate"*

PRAYER BEFORE THE ADVENT WREATH:

Mary's song of praise first sung to her cousin Elizabeth (Luke 1:46-55).

*My soul glorifies the Lord,
My spirit rejoices in God my Saviour.
He looks on his servant in her lowliness;
Henceforth all generations will call me blessed.
The Almighty works marvels for me.
Holy his name!
His mercy is from age to age,
on those who fear him.
He puts forth his arm in strength
And scatters the proud hearted.
He casts the mighty from their thrones
And raises the lowly.
He fills the starving with good things,
Sends the rich away empty.
He protects Israel, his servant,
remembering his mercy,
the mercy promised to our fathers,
to Abraham and his sons forever.*

*Glory be to the Father and to the Son
and to the Holy Spirit,*

*as it was in the beginning, is now,
and ever shall be, world without end.*

Amen.