

ROTAS:

CLEANERS: Etain Gibson, Pilar Valera, Barbara Shaw (w/c 1st Jan)
COFFEE: Overseas Aid Group (31st Dec) Ministers (7th Jan)
COUNTERS: Keith & Jan Graham (w/c 31st Dec)
Stephen & Barbara Shaw (w/c 7th Jan)
CHILDREN'S LITURGY: Chris D'Arcy & Chris Bagge (Sun 7th Jan)

DIARY EVENTS:

NO Prayer Ministry (back on 31st December)
NO Children's Liturgy (back on 7th January)
NO Prayer Meeting (back on 10th January)
THUR 28th & 4th Jan: 6.00 pm: Cenacolo Prayers (in Oratory)
FRI 29th & 5th Jan: 3.00 pm: Divine Mercy Chaplet recited in church
SUN 7th Jan: 10.00 am: Children's Liturgy
Prayer Ministry

'Happy Christmas' from Fr. Hugh.

A very Happy Christmas to all of you! Thank you for all your help over the past year and it's a great pleasure to be celebrating Christmas with you all once more. Huge thanks to all who prepared the church and centre for Christmas and to those involved with the preparation and delivery of our liturgy during this holy season. God bless. Fr Hugh

CHRISTMAS RAFFLE: A big thanks to all of you who supported the Christmas raffle and coffee morning; and to those for organising the hampers – they were fabulous prizes! **£1240.21** was raised which is wonderful. Happy Christmas to you all!

WHITE FLOWER APPEAL: The Society for the Protection of Unborn Children (SPUC) will be holding its annual appeal on the weekend of 13/14 January.



If you would like to enrol for the First Holy Communion (Year 3+) and/or Confirmation Programmes (Year 7 and above) for 2024, please take one of the relevant registration forms from church and return as soon as possible. Thank you. *Fr Hugh*



CHRISTMAS PARISH MAGAZINE now out! There are paper copies in church and it can also be viewed on the website if you scroll down the 'posts'.

A WARM WELCOME TO OUR VISITORS

If you wish to Gift-Aid your offertory donation please take one of the GREEN ENVELOPES from the back of church to complete. Thank you.

HOLY TRINITY & ST GEORGE CATHOLIC CHURCH

Double issue for 24th & 31st December 2023



READINGS FOR FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT:

Let it be done to me... Our Lady is given a choice and the entire world awaits her answer! She could have refused to allow God's plan to work through her or she could have agreed grudgingly to His plan. She, however, was open to the Word of God and so she allowed His Word to enter her and transform her from being a simple young woman into becoming the Mother of the God. Open to God's Word, His Word used her to transform the world. Today God's Word is being whispered into our ears, calling us to continue the transformation of the world. He calls us to make the Saviour real to those who do not know Him, to those who long for His presence in their lives. Will we reject the Word and force Him to look for another's ear? Or, will we stand erect and welcome the Lord, and offer ourselves totally to Him? The Word of God whispered into Mary's ear, she listened, and she responded, and she conceived. He is shouting into our ears and how we want to continue transforming the world with His living Presence, how we want to bring His Word to birth today in our world: and so we pray - Come, Lord Jesus – do not delay!

...according to Your Word!



READINGS FOR THE HOLY FAMILY:

Reposing, infant-like, as though... Young couples must consider redefining their lifestyles when a baby comes. They want the baby to be brought up with the best they can offer, by being the best people they can be. The birth of a child can bring out the best in any parent. This is precisely what God has done for us through the birth of His Son. With Jesus' birth, our humanity is made sacred. He has called us from living self-centred lives to living lives of compassion, peace and joy. Jesus has transformed humanity, making humanity - as He is - sacred. Jesus' birth '*turns the world upside down*' it brings out the best in each of us when we accept and celebrate it in faith and love. The presence of a baby can re-form the self-centred into the self-less. A baby calls his or her parents into a new holiness. On the feast of the Holy Family we pray that we all may hear the cries of the Infant Jesus, calling us to reverence His presence in our own and in others' humanity. And hear too His call to the holiness that is the heart of the Catholic family. Thus making the family the very building block of society.

...On Joseph's arms, on Mary's knee!

PLEASE NOTE THAT THERE WILL BE NO CAROLS BEFORE MIDNIGHT MASS

MASSES WEEK COMMENCING SUNDAY 24th DECEMBER 2023

Sun 23rd **FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT**
6.00 pm Vigil: Andrew Noblett RIP
24th 10.00 am: Ann Nettleton RIP
NO 12.00 noon at Sedbergh

CHRISTMAS EVE (Sunday evening)
6.00 pm: Frank McAvoy RIP
8.00 pm: at Sedbergh

NO Carols at 11.30pm
Midnight Mass: Pam Smith RIP



Livestreaming this Christmas: The Sunday 10am Mass on the 24th & 31st will be livestreamed as usual. The 10am Christmas Day Mass will also be livestreamed. Visit www.kendalcatholicchurch.uk

Mon 25th **CHRISTMAS DAY**
10.00 am: Franco Petruso, Kathleen Winter,
Rosa Salamone and Domenico Petruso
NO EVENING MASS

Tues 26th **St Stephen**
10.30 am: Ingleby family

Wed 27th **St John**
12.00 noon: **Eucharistic Service**

Thurs 28th **The Holy Innocents**
12.00 noon: **Eucharistic Service**

Fri 29th **St Thomas Beckett**
12.00 noon: **Eucharistic Service**

Sat 30th **Sixth day of Christmas Octave**

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS:

LATELY DEAD: Terry Bateman, Karen Nelson.

THE SICK; AND THE ANNIVERSARIES OF: Desmond Scanlan, Ian Holloway, Gina Waddington, Ged Hillon, Maureen Robinson, Raymond Crawford, Ann Haslett, Frank McAvoy, Marek Duc, Thomas O'Malley, Francis Rocks, Tom Carlton, Anne Gunby, Vincent Hall, Norman Almond, Ethelreda Fisher, Doris Konczynski, Marie Briggs, Edith Goodall, Trevor Thomas, Albert Woof, Margaret McCartney, Alan Gibson, Marian Vadas, Maria Tatt, John Dawson, Ada Hutton, Honora Tobin, Maureen Stackhouse, Winifred Duckworth, Mary Cragg, John Watson, Eileen O'Callaghan, Albert Caine, Pat Delaney, Edna Rocks, Baby Kyle Wilkinson, Leslie Garnett, Bernadette Line, Maureen Moffatt, Frank Rymell, Susan Jennings, Philomena McEwen, Ernest Mitchell, Barry Oldfield, Derek Line, Joyce Pilkington, Jim Winder, Agnes Wilson, Luciano Michelini, Henry Mellor, Peter Noble, Thomas Callen, Isabella Callan, Mary Neesham, Margaret Burns, Ann Braithwaite, Kath Devlin, Kathleen Graham, James O'Callaghan, Frank Hanratty, Ken Jamieson, Judith Keep, Thomas Hackett.

MASSES WEEK COMMENCING SUNDAY 31st DECEMBER 2023

Sun 30th **THE HOLY FAMILY**
6.00 pm Vigil: Sylvia Cook (Christmas blessings)
31st 10.00 am: Pat Delaney RIP & Norah Tobin RIP
12.00 noon: People of the parish at Sedbergh
6.00 pm: 'B' McEntegart

Mon 1st January 2024
Mary, Mother of God
12.00 noon: John Tyson LD

Tues 2nd **St Basil the Great & St Gregory Nazianzen**
12.00 noon: Paul Sefton LD

Wed 3rd **Wednesday of Christmas Season**
12.00 noon: Christine Hamilton LD

Thurs 4th **Thursday of Christmas Season**
12.00 noon:

Fri 5th **Friday of Christmas Season**
12.00 noon:

Sat 6th **Saturday of Christmas Season**

Sun 6th **THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD (Holy Day of Obligation)**
6.00 pm Vigil: Ken Jamieson RIP
7th 10.00 am: Marek Duc RIP
12.00 noon: at Sedbergh
6.00 pm: People of the parish

CHRISTMAS FLOWERS IN MEMORY OF



Faith's family & friends, Thomas & Mary Alice Flanagan, Michael Peoples, Helly family, Stanley & Hannah Herbert, Herbert & Dover families, Hubert & Rachel Croasdell, Croasdell & D'Souza families, Roger Bidwell, Stanley Thomas Herbert, Carlisle family, John Peters, John Hallac, Andrew Noblett, Joe & Anne Lomax, Jack Brookes, Arthur & May O'Flaherty, David & Ann Neil family & friends, Gary Cooper, Reynolds & Riglar families, Janet & Billy Stewart, Richard & Kathleen Bell, Philip Chui Chee Ming, Hugh Wadsworth, Adrian Watton, Peter Davies, Cashell & Kelly families & friends, Ellen Faughnan, Michael Diver, Terry Rulton, Joan Baines & Tony Wade, Ann Nettleton.

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