NEWSLETTER OF THE ROMAN CATHOLIC PARISH OF OUR LADY OF LOURDES, NEW MILTON

31 ST DECEMBER 2023 THE HOLY FAMILY

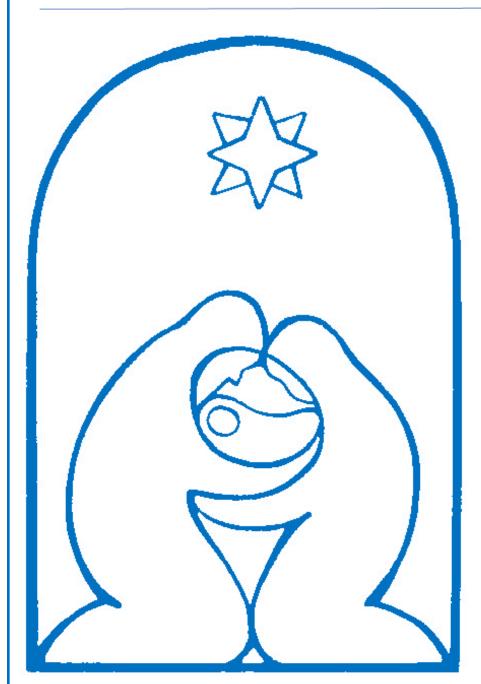


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FR BILL WRITES: A huge thank you to everyone who contributed in any way to make our Christmas celebrations such a success: cleaners, choir, musicians, readers, servers, EMHC, flower arrangers, tree and crib decorators, welcomers, and torch bearers. Thanks also for the Christmas collection, cards, and gifts. Luke the dog was very spoilt, too!

NEW YEAR'S DAY: SOLEMNITY OF MARY, THE MOTHER OF GOD: There will be Mass at Noon tomorrow followed by a glass of something sparkly. All welcome.

EPIPHANY CROWN COMPETITION: Calling all children in year 6 or below. We are holding a special competition for the best homemade crown for the Epiphany (January 6/7) when we celebrate the visit of the Wise Men to Jesus. The competition judging will take place in the hall after 10.00am Mass next Sunday. There will be a prize of £10 for the best crown. The more over-the-top the better! Get cracking, or should we say, "crowning"?



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LITURGICAL CALENDAR, MASS/SERVICE TIMES, AND PRIEST'S INTENTIONS

CONFESSIONS — 5.30PM SATURDAY, (OR AFTER WEEKDAY MASS ON REQUEST)
TEA/COFFEE AFTER SUNDAY MORNING MASS IN PARISH HALL

SUN 31 DECEMBER	THE HOLY FAMILY OF JESUS, MARY, AND JOSPEPH	VIGIL (SAT) MASS	6.00PM 10.00AM	+Cyril & +Winnie Holyoak Maureen Kallar (wellbeing)	
MON 1 JANUARY	MARY, THE HOLY MOTHER OF GOD	MASS	NOON	John Allen (wellbeing)	
Tues 2	Ss Basil and Gregory	No Mass			
Wed 3	Of Wednesday before Epiphany	Mass	10.00am	+Fr Vervenne & +Sarah Bell	
Thurs 4	Of Thursday before Epiphany	Mass	10.00am	People of the Parish	
Fri 5	Of Friday before Epiphany	Mass	10.00am	Fr. Bill (thanksgiving)	
Sat 6	Of Saturday before Epiphany	No AM Mass			
SUN 7 JANUARY	THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD	VIGIL (SAT) MASS	6.00PM 10.00AM	+Roy Fitsell World Peace	

30/31	Reader	ЕМНС	6/7 JAN	Reader	ЕМНС
Vigil (Sat)	SD		Vigil (Sat)		MH
10.00am	JP	JK	10.00am	VJ	VN

A warm welcome to all our visitors today. Please make yourselves known to one of our Meet & Greet Team, who will be happy to help you.

CRIB COLLECTION: The crib will remain in the church until 2nd February, the Feast of the Presentation of the Lord. Any offerings will be in aid of the Christian Communities of the Holy Land via the organization, Friends of the Holy Land.

NAOMI JANET SMITH:

Naomi's Funeral Mass will be offered on Wednesday 17th January at 3.00pm at OLOL. May she rest in peace.

CELIA ADAMS: Please pray for Celia who died last week.
Celia is the sister of Ted
Rooney. May she rest in peace.

FIRE WARDEN TRAINING:

Saturday 13th January, 11.00am-12.30pm, parish hall. Open to everyone who might be interested, but especially our warden volunteers.

LIVING ROSARY GROUP:

Meets tomorrow at 5.00pm in the hall. All welcome.

PILGRIMAGE TO GUADALUPE

6th November 2024 to Our Lady of Guadalupe in Mexico to experience the culture and faith in the country and to venerate the image of the Blessed Virgin Mary that appeared to Juan Diego in 1531. For further information contact Northern Star Travel on 0161 773 2115.

PARISH OFFICE: Is closed until Wednesday 10th January.

PRAYER CORNER: Our prayers are asked for the following who are sick and/or housebound: Hazel Lessler, Lucy Lessler, T Steeles, Andrea Filler, Madelaine Newland, Robin Hockey, Dave Youngman, Barbara Williams, Joan Miller, Tony Thorpe, Malcolm Davies, Fiona Fallon, Alice Loftus, Nicholas Donnelly, Churcher Family, Elouise Sargent, Gerry Parsons, John Allen

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