

St Mary and St Joseph Church

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13th December 2020

3rd Sunday of Advent Year B

Gaudete (Rejoice) Sunday

Primary School: St Mary & St Joseph, Maxwell Road, Pocklington, YO42 2JN
tel: 01759 303287.

Secondary School: All Saints, Mill Mount, York. Tel: 01904 647877.

Hospitals: If you go into hospital and would like the priest to visit in case of emergency some useful numbers are: York Hospitals 01904 631313, Hull Royal Infirmary 01482 329100 and Castle Hill 01482 847763. Please ask the receptionist or ward clerk to page the Catholic Chaplain.

Masses this week

Saturday 12th December at 7.00pm

Sunday 13th December at 9.30am

Tuesday 15th December at 6.30pm of Advent

Thursday 17th December at 6.30pm of 17th December

Mass Intentions received: Yorkshire Brethren, Margaret and Jack Cox RIP, Holy Souls, Lee Nicholson RIP 2nd Anniversary, Jean O'Donnell RIP.

For Masses Please arrive at the Church door off the car park and not the Union Street entrance which will be closed. Parishioners will be welcomed by a steward who will ask you for your name and contact details (for Track and Trace if necessary). He/she will direct you to the hand sanitisers and guide you to your seat. Face Coverings to be worn.

Christmas Cards in aid of Bethlehem Care and Hospice are now available in the Church Hall. Cost £3.50 for 10 Cards, of which £1 will be given to the Parish. Many thanks to Fiona Goodhart for arranging this.

The Restoration of the wrought iron gates and iron structure supporting Our Lady's Statue at the front is beginning soon. The repair costs to the gates and

"iron bridge" alone are in excess of £3000 (the gates have to be removed to a forge in Elvington). Any cheques gratefully received.

Christmas Masses. Please let the stewards know which Christmas Mass you wish to go to and your contact details as well as anyone coming with you. Please say whether the people you are with are in your social bubble or not. If you prefer you could e mail pocklingtoncatholicchurch@rcdmidd.org.uk or telephone 01759 303126 by 15th December at the latest.

Christmas Eve Mass at 8.30pm (8pm recorded carols)

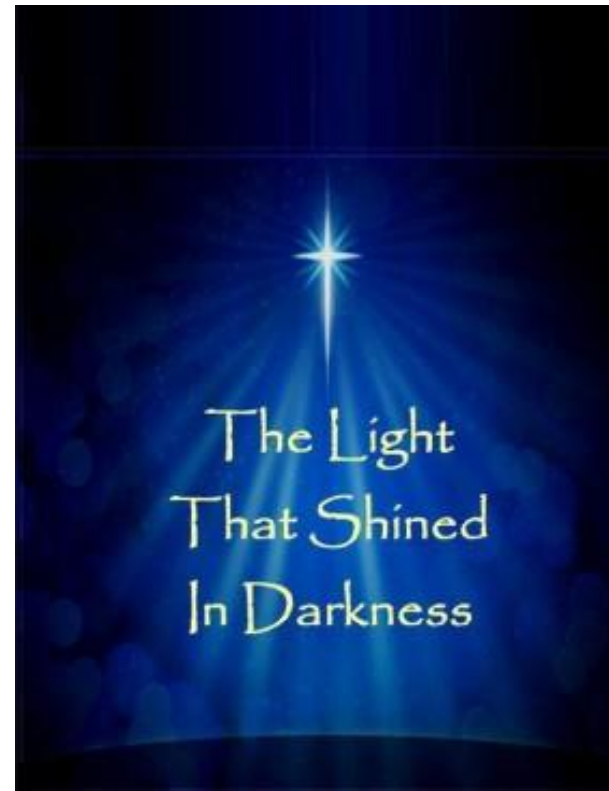
Christmas Day Mass at 9.30am (9am recorded carols).

The Mass at 6.30pm on Christmas Eve (6pm recorded carols) is now at capacity so as to adhere to social distancing rules.

A plan for a seating arrangement in the Church at all three Masses will be drawn up so that people will know where to sit.

Diocesan Year Book 2021 in the Church Porch. Price £1

Christmas Flower Collection There will be a retiring collection basket for Christmas flowers beside the Offertory Collection basket this weekend.



**God Bless
all Parishioners,
Fr James**