

CARING SUNDAY:

Thank you so much for your generosity in last week's collection for the Saint Nicholas Care Fund which amounted to almost £1200

"Sharing the Journey"

Our new Advent Appeal this year was an overwhelming success, with nearly 350 bags so far having been passed on the two local organisations caring or destitute Refugees and Asylum Seekers. They are enormously grateful. This Sunday sees the close of our Campaign, but obviously any last minute donations will be passed on. A big thank you especially to Attracta O'Reilly who did countless runs from the Church to the Support Centres to make sure that your donations were available to them as quickly as possible. A big thank you to everyone!

THE BULLETIN WILL TAKE A LITTLE REST FOR THE NEXT COUPLE OF WEEKS.

AND TO ALLOW OUR KEY HOLDERS A WELL-EARNED REST, THE CHURCH WILL BE CLOSED AFTER MASS.

EXPOSITION WILL RESUME IN THE NEW YEAR.

MONDAY 23RD DECEMBER

Confessions before the 10.00 am Mass **and also from 6.00 until 7.00 pm** (please note this period of confessions was omitted from the original handout)

CHRISTMAS EVE (TUESDAY 24TH)

- Confessions before and after the 10.00 am Mass
- Christmas Vigil Mass at 7.00 pm
- Midnight Mass begins with Carol Service at 11.30 pm

CHRISTMAS DAY

Masses at 9.00 am and 11.00 am. **There is no evening Mass.**

THURSDAY 26TH DECEMBER

Mass at 12 noon

27TH-28TH DECEMBER

Mass at 10.00 am

28TH-29TH DECEMBER

Usual Sunday Mass times: Vigil Mass (Saturday) at 5.30 pm, Masses on Sunday at 09.00 am, 11.00 am. and 5.00 pm

MONDAY 30TH DECEMBER

Mass at 10.00 am

TUESDAY 31ST DECEMBER

Mass at 10.00 am and Service of Thanksgiving to ask God's

blessing on the year to come at 7.30 pm

WEDNESDAY 1ST JANUARY

(Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God)

Mass at 12.00 noon

THURSDAY 2ND JANUARY

Mass at 12 noon

3RD/4TH JANUARY

Mass at 10.00 am

4TH/5TH JANUARY

Usual Sunday Mass times: Vigil Mass (Saturday) at 5.30 pm, Masses on Sunday at 09.00 am, 11.00 am. and 5.00 pm

Christ
our Saviour
is Born 

WE WISH EVERYONE AT SAINT HELEN'S ALL THE BLESSINGS OF THE CHRISTMAS SEASON

THANK YOU FOR THE WONDERFUL SUPPORT YOU GIVE YOUR PARISH AND CLERGY



SICK

We remember all the sick of the parish.

RECENTLY DECEASED

Bunty McGrath, Ian Macleod, Sadie McColl, James Anderson, Mrs McDaid, Margaret Hanley, Brian McCafferty, Dean Howden, Emily Fernie, William McCartney, Patrick O'Connor, Jim Murphy, James Anderson, Martin Heaney, Adrienne Airlie, William McCarthy

ANNIVERSARIES

John O'Neil, Mary Ballantyne, Anne McGill, John Hunt, James Friel, Maeve Christi, Joe Cluckie, Helena McLaughlin, Bruno Sermani, McGowan family, Tommy Gibney, Jackie Gaffney, John Hunt, Nancy Deeney Cahill McTaggart, Rose Anne McNamee,

PRAYER TO SAINT MICHAEL

St. Michael the Archangel, defend us in battle. Be our defence against the wickedness and snares of the Devil. May God rebuke him, we humbly pray, and do thou, O Prince of the heavenly hosts, by the power of God, thrust into hell Satan, and all the evil spirits, who prowl about the world seeking the ruin of souls. Amen

Immanuel, a name which means “God-is-with-us.”

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Psalm 23(24):1-6

Let the Lord enter! He is the king of glory.

The Lord's is the earth and its fullness,
the world and all its peoples.
It is he who set it on the seas;
on the waters he made it firm.

Who shall climb the mountain of the Lord?

Who shall stand in his holy place?
The man with clean hands and pure heart,
who desires not worthless things.

He shall receive blessings from the Lord
and reward from the God who saves him.

Such are the men who seek him,
seek the face of the God of Jacob.

SECOND READING

Romans 1:1-7

From Paul, a servant of Christ Jesus who has been called to be an apostle, and specially chosen to preach the Good News that God promised long ago through his prophets in the scriptures. This news is about the Son of God who, according to the human nature he took was a descendant of David: it is about Jesus Christ our Lord who, in the order of the spirit, the spirit of holiness that was in him, was proclaimed Son of God in all his power through his resurrection from the dead. Through him we received grace and our apostolic mission to preach the obedience of faith to all pagan nations in honour of his name. You are one of these nations, and by his call belong to Jesus Christ. To you all, then, who are God's beloved in Rome, called to be

saints, may God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ send grace and peace.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Mt 1:23

Alleluia, alleluia!

The virgin will conceive and give birth to a son
and they will call him Emmanuel,
a name which means 'God-is-with-us'.
Alleluia!

GOSPEL

Matthew 1:18-24

This is how Jesus Christ came to be born. His mother Mary was betrothed to Joseph; but before they came to live together she was found to be with child through the Holy Spirit. Her husband Joseph; being a man of honour and wanting to spare her publicity, decided to divorce her informally. He had made up his mind to do this when the angel of the Lord appeared to him in a dream and said, 'Joseph son of David, do not be afraid to take Mary home as your wife, because she has conceived what is in her by the Holy Spirit. She will give birth to a son and you must name him Jesus, because he is the one who is to save his people from their sins.' Now all this took place to fulfil the words spoken by the Lord through the prophet: The virgin will conceive and give birth to a son and they will call him Emmanuel, a name which means 'God-is-with-us.' When Joseph woke up he did what the angel of the Lord had told him to do: he took his wife to his home.



Saint Helen's

One Family, One Heart, One Faith

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TIMES OF SERVICES

SUNDAY MASSES:

Vigil (Saturday) 5.30 pm; 9.00 am,
11.00 am and 5.00 pm

MONDAY TO SATURDAY

Rosary at 9.30 am, Morning Prayer at 9.50 am and
Mass at 10.00 am

CONFESSION:

Saturday 10.30 – 11.00 am
Saturday 6.15 – 6.45 pm
Thursday 7.00 – 7.30 pm

ADORATION:

Wednesdays from after 10.00 am Mass until 1.00 pm

ROSARY FOLLOWED BY NOVENA:

Thursday at 7.00 pm

HOLY DAYS OF OBLIGATION:

Masses on holy days of obligation are at 7.30 am,
12.30 pm and 7.30 pm

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FIRST READING

Isaiah 7:10-14

The Lord spoke to Ahaz and said, 'Ask the Lord your God for a sign for yourself coming either from the depths of Sheol or from the heights above.' 'No,' Ahaz answered 'I will not put the Lord to the test.' Then Isaiah said: 'Listen now, House of David: are you not satisfied with trying the patience of men without trying the patience of my God, too? The Lord himself, therefore, will give you a sign. It is this: the maiden is with child and will soon give birth to a son whom she will call