

Fourth Sunday of Advent (B) Sam 7: 1-5, 8-12, 14, 16; Ps 88; Rom 16: 25-27; Luke 1: 26-38	
Sat. 19th December 2020 08:00: Prayer and Confession 5:00 - 6:15pm: Confessions 6:30pm: Maria Coelho RIP FM	Sunday 20th December 2020 8:30am: Violet Hughes RIP (Doherty) 09:40-10:10: Children's Liturgy of the Word on ZOOM 10:30am: People of the Parish (also on ZOOM)
Mon. 21st Dec. 2020 (Feria) 08:00: Prayer and Confession 9:15am: Holy Souls	Tues. 22nd Dec. 2020 (Feria) 08:00: Prayer and Confession 9:15am: Michael Claridge RIP
Weds. 23rd Dec. 2020 (Feria) 08:00: Prayer and Confession 9:15am: Private Intention (DG) 11:00am: Holy Mass at Shalom Gerard Totman RIP (LSU)	Christmas Eve Thurs. 24th Dec. 2020 (Feria) 08:00: Prayer and Confession 9:15am: Angela O'Boyle RIP (Homer) 4pm: Vigil Mass (Children/Family) 6pm: Vigil Mass (also on ZOOM)
THE NATIVITY OF THE LORD Friday 25th December 2020 12:00am: People of the Parish 8:30am: Margaret Whitfield RIP (D. Marriner) 10:30am: Richard Hanrahan RIP and Regina Bernard RIP (ZOOM)	St. Stephen, the First Martyr Sat. 26th December 2020 9:15am: Ted Duggan RIP (B. Youngs) 11:00am: Holy Mass at Shalom
The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph (B) Gen 115: 1-6, 21: 1-3; Ps 104; Heb 11: 8, 11-12, 17-19; Luke 2: 22-40	
Saturday 26th December 2020 5:00 - 6:15pm: Confessions 6:30pm: John and Teresa Lynch RIP FM	Sunday 27th December 2020 8:30am: Eva Austin RIP (Coward) 09:40-10:10: Children's Liturgy of the Word on ZOOM 10:30am: People of the Parish (also on ZOOM)

Anniversaries of Death

Michael Twomey, Kenneth Smith, Neville Pryke, May Callan, F. Bonyng, Peter Cascarini, Derick Hudson, Henry Gomes, Mr. and Mrs. Simpson and daughter, Jamie Cunningham, Eloise Wright, Bert Yeo, Michael O'Keeffe, Joseph Birnie, Violet George, Joseph Nicholls, Margaret Whitfield, Marguerite O'Brian, Daniel Raymond Futter

Mary, you have won God's favour

God is forever faithful to His promises. From the time of David right up to the birth of Jesus there is no doubting that God is with His people. That which is hidden for endless ages is revealed in Jesus Christ who is the Son of the Virgin Mary.



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Welcome - Worship - Witness

WELCOME BACK - AGAIN!!!
**WHEN ATTENDING CHURCH AND
HOLY MASS - PLEASE WEAR
FACE COVERINGS / MASKS.**
**We are limited to
accommodate
44 "Bubbles"**
**within the present
guidelines, social distancing
and hand sanitizing.**

ST MARY'S CHURCH IS OPEN
Daily: 7:30/8:00am
before 9:15am Holy Mass.

N.B. CHILDREN'S LITURGY
OF THE WORD **ON ZOOM**
AT THE NEW TIME OF
****09:40-10:10AM****
FOR ZOOM CODES PLEASE
CONTACT ANUSHA ON:
anusha_bala@hotmail.co.uk
OR TINA ON:
tinapsaunders@hotmail.com

**CONFESSIONS MAY BE
HEARD - IN THE CHILDREN'S
LITURGY ROOM - WHENEVER
THE CHURCH IS OPEN AND
BY APPOINTMENT, ON REQUEST.**
PLEASE 'PHONE OR EMAIL
TO ARRANGE A REASONABLE TIME.

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CHRISTMAS SCHEDULE OF HOLY MASSES ****PLEASE REGISTER / BOOK ****WHICH HOLY MASSES **** YOU WISH TO ATTEND AT CHRISTMAS:		
Christmas Eve (Thurs. 24th December)	4:00pm 6:00pm	Vigil Masses (Children & Families) Vigil Masses (Children & Families) (also on ZOOM)
Christmas Day (Fri. 25th December)	12:00am 8:30am 10:30am	Midnight Mass Holy Mass Holy Mass (also on ZOOM)
(Sat. 26th December) St. Stephen's Day	9:15am 11:00am	Holy Mass Holy Mass at Shalom
THE HOLY FAMILY (SUN. 27th December)	6:30pm 8:30am 10:30am	Holy Mass Holy Mass Holy Mass (also on ZOOM)

CHRISTMAS CRIB OFFERINGS

This year our Christmas Crib Offerings will be collected and shared between: -

- ♦ **THE CATHOLIC CHILDREN'S SOCIETY'S SOUTHWARK CRISIS FUND** which provides immediate support to those children and families in the Diocese who are most in need.
- ♦ **FRIENDS OF THE HOLY LAND** for the poorest Christian families in and around Bethlehem, the West Bank, Gaza and Israel.

Gift Aiders can use one of the spare envelopes, but please add your Gift Aid number.

CHRISTMAS OFFERINGS

Christmas offerings are by custom given for the support of Priests in parish ministries. Together with the Easter offering, it forms the main source of income of parish clergy in the Diocese who do not receive a wage throughout the year. For this Christmas, any money offerings from the 25th December 2020 to the 6th January 2021 will also be added to the Christmas offering.

LAST SUNDAY'S OFFERINGS: 12TH/13TH DECEMBER 2020
Parish Collection: Gift Aid: £225.00 + Loose Plate: £43.00
 Thank you for your generosity and your financial support, *Fr. David*

CHRISTMAS CARDS FOR ST. MARY'S PARISHIONERS

It is suggested that this year we leave **ONLY ONE CARD IN THE RECEPTION AREA** addressed to **all the people of the parish**. These cards can then be displayed in the reception area for everyone to see. Please help us decorate the reception area with your Christmas greetings. Thank you.

THE SACRAMENT OF PENANCE / Reconciliation / Mercy / Forgiveness / Pardon and Peace: CONFESSION: Fr David is available for this healing Sacrament, to help us all become Holy and Saints, before and after the Holy Masses.

******REGISTERING / PRE-BOOKING ATTENDANCE ******
****** AT CHRISTMAS HOLY MASSES: ******

Because of the Covid-19 Crisis and Emergency we will need to **PRE-BOOK PLACES** at the Christmas Holy Masses this year. In addition to the usual 6:00pm Holy Mass there will also be Holy Mass at 4:00pm also for Families and Children. For those who can - Booking will be "ON-LINE", and for those who cannot - **THE PARISH OFFICE PHONE MAY BE USED: 07485 151 159.** Details about "on-line" Booking / Registration are available on: the Parish Website: **www.stmarycrays.org.uk**, the Facebooks pages: **Stmary Crays and St Mary of the Crays Support Group**

Second Collection

This weekend there is a second collection for the **Apostleship of the Sea** which is a Catholic charity supporting seafarers worldwide. They provide practical and pastoral care to all seafarers, regardless of nationality, belief or race.

Foundation Governors for St Catherine's Catholic School

The Trustees of St Catherine's, the Sisters of La Sainte Union, are seeking to appoint committed Catholics to the Governing Body. A new Board of Governors is being appointed to take the school forward. Full training and support will be offered, including supporting the distinctive Catholic mission and character of the school. Applicants offering expertise in finance, building, HR, law, education and other relevant experience are warmly encouraged to apply. The Trustees are especially keen to welcome members from BAME communities, thus reflecting the ethnic diversity of students and staff. If you are interested, please contact: Mr Nick Watkiss, Executive Headteacher or email maureenwilliams70@gmail.com for an application form.

SUPPLEMENTARY FORMS FOR CATHOLIC SCHOOLS
Please make an appointment to see Fr David in person - if at St Joseph's School this can be done before or after **9:15am Holy Mass Monday to Friday**, or, at another mutually convenient time. **Please bring the Child's Baptismal Certificate with you. Thank you.**

Christmas Posters
 Please take a Christmas Poster for your window and share the Joy and Peace of the Christmas Season.

100 Club Winners: £45 each
22: Desmond Pimenta
28: Eddie Staunton

Please pray for the members of our Parish family who are sick:

Anna Idahosa, Anne McGagh, Sr Angela Valentine, Canon Jeremiah Cronin, Chandra Rawal, Chloe Mutimer, Catherine Homer. Clare Cooney, Clare Gummatt, David Hull, Eddie Staunton, Fr. John Ryan, Felicity Dyer, Ivor Harper, Jackie Dawson, James Farrelly, Jack Pearce, Linda Rawlinson, Lucy Kiernan, Marie Rogerston, Pat Price, Pauline Dansey, Renee Rae, Carmella "Nina" Stafford, Tommy Cox, Veronica Francis and **all in self-isolation or quarantine, or effected by Covid-19.**