

Collections for Last Sunday

Parish	Gift Aid	Loose	Levy	Total	At Mass
Immaculate Conception	£188.70	£93.42	£92.85	£374.97	53
All Saints	£206.50	£84.60	£119.10	£410.20	85
St. John's	£111.00	£28.00	£28.00	£167.00	38
				<u>£952.17</u>	<u>223</u>

**Grateful thanks to all parishioners
for your Christmas Offerings for Father Richard.**

* **St John's** 49 Club raised £1,456 for Parish Funds. Grateful thanks to all who support this fund raising activity for the Church. If you would like to join please contact Sandra Jones.

* **Immaculate Conception** . 100 club winners:
1st, Mildred Jones no. 149; 2nd, Sienna Thomas no. 2; and 3rd, Andrew Davies no.126.

Servers on the Altar

Have you ever thought about serving on the Altar?
In Immaculate Conception on Wednesday 8th January at 6pm there will be a meeting of people interested in helping serve on the Altar. Young or old, male or female - all are welcome.

Happy New Year!

*The Year of St Matthew. A year of Hope fulfils our faith
with the Gospel of St Matthew.*



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The Holy Family

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Saturday 28th Holy Innocents	5:30pm	Immaculate Conception	Lynette Gibbs Ivy and Mecca Davies
Sunday 29th The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary & Joseph	9:00am	Immaculate Conception	Stephen, Elsie & Kenneth Aherne, James & Eileen Morris RIP Aneurin & Maria Roberts RIP Ann Keech RIP
	10:30am	All Saints	Margaret Griffiths RIP Dennis Bevan RIP Intentions of the Dullea and Robinson Family
	5:30pm	St John's	
Mon 30th	10:30am	St John's	
Tue 31st	6:30pm	Immaculate Conception	
Wed 1st January Mary The Holy Mother of God	10:00am	Immaculate Conception	For all who have no-one to remember or pray for them.
	1:30pm	All Saints	Deceased members of the SVP
Thurs 2nd Epiphany of The Lord	-	-	
Fri 3rd	6:30pm	Immaculate Conception	
Sat 4th	10:00am	All Saints	Maria James RIP
Saturday vigil	5:30pm	Immaculate Conception	Maureen Baker Betty Reeves
Sunday 5th	9:00am	Immaculate Conception	
	10:30am	All Saints	Eddie Scrivens RIP John Bell RIP
	5:30pm	St John's	Keneally Family

CHURCH LAMPS

All Saints:	<i>Our Lady</i>	Wellbeing of All within our Pastoral area
All Saints:	<i>Sacred Heart</i>	All our deceased relatives and friends
All Saints:	<i>St Joseph</i>	The aged, the Sick and housebound
Imm Conception:	<i>Our Lady</i>	The clergy, Religious & Seminarians
Imm Conception:	<i>Sacred Heart</i>	The Pope, Cardinals & Nuncios

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION (CONFESSION)

All Saints:	After Mass on Wednesday / Saturday
St. John's:	Before Mass on Sunday and Monday
Immaculate Conception:	Before Mass on Saturday and Sunday

A Reflection on today's Gospel - Matthew 2:13-15; 19-23

According to this narrative, Jesus, Mary and Joseph went through a period of being – like tens of millions of people today – ‘displaced persons’.

Joseph was the one taking instructions on how to respond as events unfolded. We could say that each move was a leap in the dark – but of course none of the messages was anything like the first utterly unique and earth-shattering announcement that the spirit of God had intervened in Mary's life.

Perhaps we could call Joseph ‘the saint of trust’ - being kept in the dark till the last moment – and then having to put his faith in whatever direction he was given.

Some of us may know persons with family responsibility today who admit that, in a rapidly changing society, they never know ‘what's round the corner’. Joseph's willingness to ‘fly blind’ under heaven's bidding could provide a model for them.

*May your words, O Lord, be in my thoughts,
on my lips, and in my heart.*

May they be my guide on life's journey and keep me near to you.

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✠ *Please pray for the Parishioners of our Pastoral Area:*

whose anniversary occurs at this time:

James O'Brien, Colin Long, Kathleen Smith, William Bullen, David Sullivan, Mark Murphy, William Beynon, Joe Sidoli, Anne Hamilton, Patricia Jones, Margaret Beynon, Bridie Roberts.. Pauline Mary Thomas, Rosamond Jean Davies, Veronica Yandle, Glenys Simmons

for the sick and housebound:

St John's: Mary Benjamin (Thomas), Peter Cavendar, Maria Roberts

All Saints: Maureen Matthews, Norma Beecher, Margaret Williams, Maureen Hague, Susan Lewis, Joan Neville, Jennifer, Margaret Beecham, Norman Beecham, Mary Hillier, Ann Williams, Maria James

Immaculate Conception: Kath Thomas, Pam Williams, Mavis Garrett, Jeanette Badham, Yvonne Brown, Doris Norris, Kath Williams, Louis Moorhead, Baby Isla, Rowan Jay Powell, Keyon Hughes, Gavin Hughes.

Rest in Peace

The Funeral of Maria James will be at 1.30pm on Thursday 9th in All Saints.
Please keep Maria and her family in your prayers. RIP.

Anima Christi

Soul of Christ, sanctify me
Body of Christ, save me
Blood of Christ, inebriate me
Water from the side of Christ, wash me
Passion of Christ, strengthen me
O good Jesus, hear me
Within Thy wounds hide me
Separated from Thee let me never be
From the malicious enemy defend me
In the hour of my death call me
And bid me come unto Thee
That I may praise Thee with Thy saints.
Forever and ever Amen

Prayer to St Michael the Archangel

**St. Michael the Archangel,
defend us in the day of battle.
Be our safeguard against the
wickedness and snares of the
Devil.
May God rebuke him, we
humbly pray and do thou,
Prince of the heavenly hosts,
by the power of God,
cast down to hell Satan,
and all wicked spirits,
who wander through the world
for the ruin of souls. Amen**