



<p>THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT</p> <p>17th December, 2023</p>	<p>THE HOLY NAME OF MARY PARISH NEWSLETTER</p> <p><i>The Parish is served by Fr Tom O'Neill</i></p> <p><i>The Avenue, Linthorpe Middlesbrough TS5 6SB.</i></p> <p><i>Tel: 01642 356654</i></p> <p><i>email: tomoneill1@virginmedia.com.</i></p> <p><i>Parish Website: holynamenameofmary.co.uk</i></p> <p><i>Facebook: Holy name of Mary Parish, Middlesbrough</i></p>	 <p>Last week's collection: £886</p> <p>Many thanks</p>
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	<p>Masses and intentions this week</p>	
<p>Mass Readings: Is.61:1-2,10-11;Psalm is Luke 1:46-50, 53-54; 1Thess.5:16-24; Jn1:6-8.19-28 3: 8-14;</p>		
<p>Saturday 16th December</p>	<p>6.30pm</p>	<p>Dave Mushins</p>
<p>Sunday 17th December</p>	<p>10.30am</p>	<p>People of the Parish</p>
<p>Tuesday 19th December</p>	<p>9.15am</p>	<p>Special Intention</p>
<p>Thursday 21st December</p>	<p>9.15am</p>	<p>Special Intention</p>

We remember those who have died recently: Joan Harkin; Jadwiga Jasinek; Bob Hartness; Ged Drumm; Andrew Borsumato; Vin Gunn

We pray for those whose anniversaries occur at this time: Gerard Long; Dave Mushins

We pray also for those who are sick and housebound: Andrew McCabe, Carol Stephenson, Patrick Baird, Pat Hughes, Stephen Armstrong, Frank O'Brien, and Joan Harkin

Jadwiga's Requiem Mass will be held on Friday, 5th January, at 930am and presided by the Polish priest from Newcastle.



Communion – Mission – Participation

As Parish Community - and in our own homes, during this Season of Advent, can we try to light a candle for just one hour each day to remember all those who are suffering in our world because of war.

'Grant us peace - teach us peace; guide our steps in the way of peace. Open our eyes and our hearts, and give us the courage to say: "Never again war!"; "With war everything is lost". Instill in our hearts the courage to take concrete steps to achieve peace'. Pope Francis

Ministers of the Word:

Saturday 16th Dec: Peggy S and Maire M
 Saturday 23rd Dec: Eleanor and Another

Sunday 17th Dec: Tony K and Edna
 Sunday 24th Dec: Tom L and Catherine H

Ministers of the Eucharist: Saturday 16th December: Ruth; Sunday 10th December: Cath

CHRISTMAS MASSES

Christmas Eve: Carols at 6pm - followed by Mass at 6.30pm
Christmas Day Mass: 10.30am



There will be no Mass on Tuesday, 26th or Thursday, 28th December

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY and PARISH INFORMATION

JOURNEY IN FAITH: The next meeting for the group is on Wednesday 3rd January 2024 at the usual venue. Please include the group in your prayers. Thank you

THE CHRISTMAS CARD BOX will be at the back of church from this weekend until Christmas, to enable you to send cards to parishioners or to anyone who normally attends Mass at our Church. Please can you remember to include surnames.

URGENT NEED FOR FOOTWEAR FOR PRIMARY AGED CHILDREN: If you have any footwear that your children/grandchildren have grown out of, please phone Sharon on 07909055067

LITTLE POTS donations this month are for **My sister's Place** (for the local refuge for those experiencing domestic violence).

UNION OF CATHOLIC MOTHERS': Dates to remember: Monday, 18th December at 1pm – Christmas Lunch at the Waterside Brasserie (monies owed for this would be welcome). Tuesday, 19th December at 12.30pm Christmas Party in the Church Hall

WHIST DRIVE: Edna H expresses her gratitude to Cath R who supported her set up her WHIST get-togethers by advertising it in the newsletter a few years ago. Initially, having struggled to find eight players, Edna writes: *'we have just enjoyed our Christmas Whist Evening at which there were 24 players. Over half of these players live alone and have since made friends amongst themselves. By holding a small raffle held during our tea break, we have raised £200 for charity this year. If you are interested in joining us - either as a seasoned player or as a complete beginner, you are welcome'*. Contact Edna 01642 813277

WALSINGHAM PILGRIMAGES: The pastoral theme for 2024 is: ***'Mary, helping us to journey together.'*** Should anyone be interested in joining a pilgrimage, please email pilgrimage@walsingham.org.uk or call 01328 801009. Please book early to secure your preferred dates.

REMINDER about SAFEGUARDING REQUEST: It is a requirement that every person participating in Parish Ministry with children/vulnerable adults must have an up to date DBS certificate. If unsure about your role, please contact Mary Payne this week. Thank you

Please send any items for the Newsletter to reflectionsholyname@rcdmidd.org.uk or contact Mary Payne on 01642 825950, by Wednesday morning. Thank you.