

**NATIVITY OF OUR LORD  
JESUS CHRIST**

Reading Cycle A  
Psalter Week 1  
Sunday 25<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER 2022  
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**MASSES AND SERVICES FOR THE WEEK**

SAT	24 <sup>th</sup> DEC	SOLEMNITY OF THE NATIVITY OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST	6.30pm	Fr Jack Fahy
SUN	25 <sup>th</sup> DEC		10.00am	People of the Parish
MON	26 <sup>TH</sup> DEC			
TUES	27 <sup>TH</sup> DEC	FEAST OF ST JOHN, APOSTLE AND EVANGELIST	10.00am	Maldwyn and Helen Evans
WED	28 <sup>TH</sup> DEC	FEAST OF THE HOLY INNOCENTS	10.00am	Albert, Olwen and Eddie Hall
THURS	29 <sup>TH</sup> DEC	COMMEMORATION OF ST THOMAS BECKET	10.00am	Paul Gardner
		FUNERAL SERVICE	11.30am	TERRY WEBBER
FRI	30 <sup>TH</sup> DEC			
SAT	31 <sup>ST</sup> DEC	SOLEMNITY OF MARY, THE HOLY MOTHER OF GOD	6.30pm	Paul Ryan
SUN	1 <sup>ST</sup> JAN		10.00am	People of the Parish

**PRAYERS FOR THE SICK, ANNIVERSARIES AND THOSE WHO HAVE RECENTLY DIED:**

We pray for those in our families or in our Parish Community who may be sick, housebound, worried or in need. We ask that the love of the Lord be with them during the coming week. To all our parishioners who are indisposed we ask that they may receive every grace and blessing.

We also pray for, Patrick Middleton, Vivian Taylor, Fr Jack Fahy, Richard Mulhall, Terese Ramos, William Woodman, Charles Donaldson, Julia Bossano, Hugh Hendry Mackie, John Smith, Sheila Harding, Mary Carroll, Ivy Davies, Margaret Stevens, Michael O'Brien, Alberto Petrelli, Ann Salter, Peter Levy, Dorothy Brahim, Angela Reilly, Brenda Wilson and all those whose anniversaries occur at this time.

Do not forget to pray for all those who have died and for their families, particularly those who have no-one to remember them.

Let us pray for the repose of the souls of Michael Burns, Terry Webber and Gloria Webber who died recently. May they rest in eternal peace

**CANDLES** You can buy a 7 day candle which will be left either at the Sacred Heart and Our Lady's Altar for the duration of a week. The charge will be £5. **This week's candles will be lit for all the People in our Families who passed away during the year.**

If you choose to light a T-Light (20p each) please start from the top row down on the votive stands and light them with care.

**WEAR WARM:** Our heating system is still out of action but we have some temporary heaters which may be turned on just to take the chill off. Please take care and do NOT go near them. Please do not let children wander around the Church.

**DOORS :** Please remember to close the doors so that the cold wind does not blow through the Church. The side Porch doors are unlocked, for Health and Safety, and can be opened in case of emergency.

**CHRISTMAS MESSAGE FROM THE TWO ARCHBISHOPS:** Archbishop Mark and the Archbishop of Wales have written a joint Christmas Message which is available for you to read on the Parish Website.

**ARCHDIOCESAN YEAR BOOK 2023 :** These are on sale as you come into Church £3.00

**DIARY FOR MASS INTENTIONS:** The diary for 2023 is now open. Please give your requests to Pat Johnson or Chris German. Please try to ask well in advance of the date you would like.

**SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION:** As usual for those who wish to avail themselves of the Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession), may do so at the END of each weekend Mass NOT before Mass.

**GOING INTO HOSPITAL** Cardiff & Vale Hospital Chaplaincy 02921 843230 ( new number)

**PIETY STALL:** Our Piety stall is open Before and After but not during Mass. There are lots of devotional aids and gifts and cards. **Please take care if you wish to look in the glass cases. There is a step !**

**ONLINE DONATIONS:** On the Home page of the Website is a link to enable you to donate directly to St Patrick's. Many of us are not using cash as much as we once were and if this is helpful please try it. Gift Aid can be automatically added with no cost to you.

**GIFT AID** If you pay Income Tax, St Patrick's can collect Gift Aid with no cost to you at all. This is an extra 25p for every £1 you give. All you have to do is sign a consent form. Please consider this.

**FACEBOOK :** Friends of St Patrick's Grangetown -[www.stpatrickscardiff.co.uk](http://www.stpatrickscardiff.co.uk)  
We now have a **Twitter** account. Please follow us: St Patrick's Church Grangetown @StPatsGrange.

**HOUSEBOUND COMMUNIONS:** If you know of a parishioner wishing to receive Holy Communion or if you need help please contact Canon Mike.

**CHURCH COLLECTIONS: Weekend 17<sup>th</sup> /18<sup>th</sup> DECEMBER £673.01**

**SAFEGUARDING:** Please click on the link for Helplines and Information on the Parish Website Homepage.

**PARISH WEBSITE** Many people are unaware of what we have on our Parish Website. The Bible readings for the Day are uploaded each day together with reflections. The Caritas Bulletin for **DECEMBER**. When text is underlined, click on that and it will give more information. This newsletter is there for you to read with details of the weekly Masses and Anniversaries, and ... Canon Mike's Weekly Message. Also the Christmas Message from the two Archbishops and the Catholic People Newspaper for **DECEMBER**

**MESSAGE FROM CANON MIKE**

I thank God that I'm able to write and you to read these few words as we celebrate Christmas 2022.

Times are difficult for many of us, but we've arrived like Mary and Joseph to pay homage to the Christ Child. We've heard the song of the Angels

*"For Today a Child has been born.  
He is Christ the Lord"*

We have accepted the invitation to visit the stable and see the Child with open arms. This is the family home, the House of Welcome. Let us rejoice and experience something wonderful, something magnificent, something sublime.

I am happy to be your friend and Priest: a fellow pilgrim on this journey. May you and the Family of St Patrick's be Blessed this Christmas.

*Glory to God and Peace to People of Goodwill.*

Happy Christmas  
Your friend and Priest Michael Patrick



You will be remembered at Mass on Christmas Day. May the Lord of Peace Dwell in your home and in your heart.

