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Sunday, 22nd December 2019

This week at the Cathedral

Sunday 22nd **Fourth Sunday of Advent**
 Sat. 21st - 17:30 First Mass/Vigil Mass of Sunday:
 Malcolm Smith (RIP)
 08:00 Mass: *Michael Cooze*
 10:00 Mass: *Kathryn Fisher (RIP)*
 17:30 *Parish Carol Service*

Monday 23rd **Fourth Week of Advent**
 09:15 Mass: *John Hurley (RIP)*
 09:45 *Confession*

Tuesday 24th **Fourth Week of Advent**
 09:15 Mass: *Delia & John Ahern (RIP)*
 09:45 *Confession*
18:00 **Christmas Vigil Mass**
 00:00 *Midnight Mass*

Wednesday 25th **NATIVITY OF THE LORD**
 10:00 Christmas Day Mass

Thursday 26th **St. Stephen, First Martyr**
 09:15 Mass: *Lilian and John Horgan*

Friday 27th **St. John Apostle**
 09:15 Mass:

Saturday 28th **The Holy Innocents**
 09:15 No Mass:
 17:00 *Confession*
 17:30 **Vigil Mass: Feast of the Holy Family**

Sunday 29th **Holy Family**
 08:00 Mass:
 10:00 Mass: *Moira & Richard Heady (RIP)*

Ministries Schedule for the week.

	17:30	08:00	10:00
Euch. Min.	Joyce Eynon Arthur Jones		Grace Beaman Anne Jjones
Readers	Emily Cole Tess Davies	David Maddox Michael Harris	Aaron Thomas Val Fisher

The Holy Father's General Intention for December –
 "That every country determine to take the necessary measures to make the future of the very young, especially those who suffer, a priority."

PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS

Lord, make me a better person, more considerate towards others, more honest with myself, more faithful to You. Make me generous enough to want sincerely to do your will whatever it may be. Help me to find my true vocation in life and grant that through it, I may find happiness myself and bring happiness to others. Grant, Lord, that those whom You call to enter the priesthood, diaconate or religious life, may have the generosity to answer Your call, so that those who need Your help may find it. We ask this through Christ Our Lord.

Amen

Pray for them

Let us remember the sick in our homes & hospitals:

Canon Seamus Cunnane, Deacon Tony Lawrence, Teresa Williams, Ian Williams, Jean Davies, Brian Gabriel, Mary Church, Christopher Browne, Lee Ellery, Dixie Hale, Taylor Mai, Jeffery Jones, Heather Mitchell, Neil Andrew Francis, Nathan Jones, Gary Lewis, Anne Kavanagh, Brian Nutt, Bernard Kenealy, Tom Bright, Matthew Caliolo, Severina Cavallucci, Maralyn Brain, Margaret Williams, Geoffrey Collins and all the sick. May the Lord lay his healing hands upon them.

Anniversaries: *Patrick Joseph Coleman; John O'Rourke; Sr. Lucy Hennessy.*



Sanctuary Lights:

- (1) In memory of **Deceased members of the Thatcher family;**
- (2) In memory of **Rebecca John.**



Notices

Christmas Mass/New Year Mass Schedule

22 nd Dec 2019	17:30	Cathedral Christmas Carol Service
23 rd Dec 2019	09:15 09:45	Mass Confession
24 th Dec 2019	09:15 09:45 18.00	Mass Confession Christmas Vigil Mass
	00.00	MIDNIGHT MASS
25 th Dec 2019	10:00	Christmas Day Mass
26 th Dec 2019	09:15	St Stephen – 1 st Martyr (Feast)
27 th Dec 2019	09:15	St John, Apostle and Evangelist
Saturday 28 th Dec 2019	17:30	Vigil Mass: The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph.
Sunday 29 th Dec 2019	08:00 10:00	First Mass: Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph. Second Mass: Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph.
30 th Dec 2019	09:15	Mass
31 st Dec 2019	09:15 16:30	Mass Vespers and Benediction
1 st Jan 2020	10:00	Mary, the Holy Mother of God

Confession: There will be confession after morning Masses on Monday 23rd and Tuesday 24th, you can also make personal arrangement with Canon Benedict.

Cathedral Christmas Carol Service: 5:30 p.m. Sunday 22nd December 2019 followed by refreshments in the Hall. Please be sure to keep this date free to attend.

CRIB COLLECTION: The proceeds of year's Crib collection will go to the 'MICHAEL CURA FOUNDATION'. Mikey Cura was a 16 year old Altar Server in our Parish. He died very suddenly in 2016 from an undiagnosed heart condition, whilst on a 560-mile pilgrimage to Santiago de Compostela. His parents, Rowena and Alan and friends set up 'THE MIKEY CURA FOUNDATION' in his memory. The aim of the Foundation is to promote cardiac wellness and to disseminate information that may assist the prevention and detection of early-onset cardiac problems in the under-16s. It is hoped that by implementing the programme in schools and community groups, early detection of heart conditions may be achieved and fewer families will have to endure the sudden loss of a child. Please let us support this Foundation generously with our donations.

Christmas Wishes from Sister Nora Carr: "Dear Friends, How I appreciate the opportunity of wishing you the joys and blessings of the Christmas Season. Yes, of course I remember you with love and gratitude and I miss seeing you all. Be assured nonetheless that you rest in my heart and in my life here in Stella Maris Convent. My prayer is that we each continue to create a greater space in the room of our hearts to know the love, peace and joy with which we are being gifted. May you and yours experience these in a special way this Christmas and New Year."

Newsletter: Please kindly take your newsletter home with you and re-read it at your leisure.

Your last week's offerings: £981.77
(Including Standing orders and 2nd Collection)

PLEASE REMEMBER THE PARISH IN YOUR WILL
* Gift Aid returns will reduce the weekly deficit, but will not make up the shortfall. If you are a tax payer and you are not already signed up to the Gift Aid giving system, please consider doing so, it will not cost you any extra, but the Church will get the benefit of tax relief.

CHRISTMAS OFFERING ENVELOPES are available at the back of the church. If you already use the envelope system, you will find an envelope in the box.

A warm welcome to those who have recently made the Cathedral their regular place of worship. It is a good idea to let your Parish Priest know your name and address so that he will know who, and where, you are. Furthermore, if you are already an Altar Server, Reader etc. and would be prepared to exercise your Ministry here, please speak to the Parish Priest.

Mass Intentions Received: Bernard Pitson (RIP).

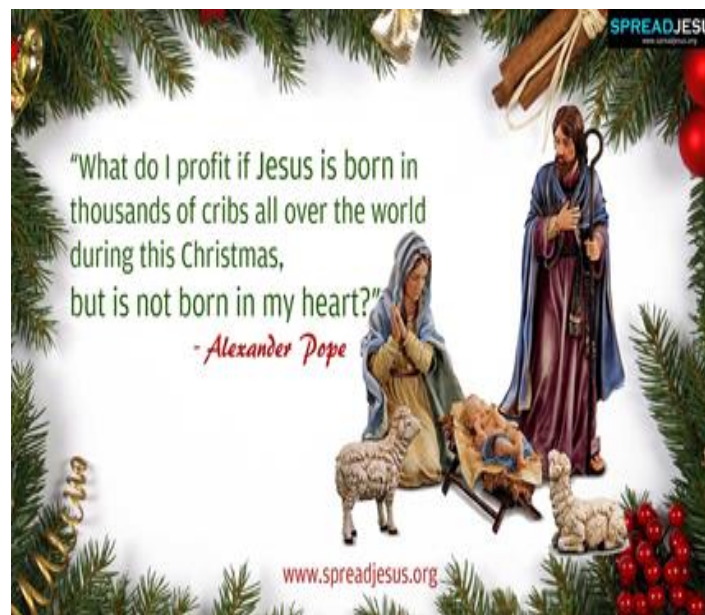
Sanctuary Lamp Requests: Dennis Morgan (RIP); Pitson family.

Hymns for Sunday Liturgy

Opening Song	O Come O Come Emmanuel (vv.1 – 5)	112
Preparation of the gifts	The Angel Gabriel	113
Communion	Christ be our light	883
Closing	O Come O Come Emmanuel (vv.6 – 7)	112

Choir Practice: New members always welcome. Please see Andrew after the 10:00 a.m. Mass or contact the Office. There will be **Rehearsal** on 23rd December.

Requests for Baptismal Certificates: Please direct all requests to Anne at the email address below. Please include full details of your son/daughter. i.e. full name, date of birth and approximate date of Baptism. Thank you.
annemaryjones@googlemail.com



Canon Benedict wishes all parishioners a grace-filled Christmas. May Christ reign in our hearts, families, communities and nations.