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THE HOLY FAMILY OF JESUS, MARY & JOSEPH YEAR (A) SUNDAY 29th DECEMBER 2019

Today we thank God for our own families, and we can pause on this feast to remember those families who are forced into exile like Jesus, Mary and Joseph. As individuals we are called to build up the unity of our own family units. As a nation we are called to the defense of those larger families of peoples who are torn apart by violence, oppression or ethnic self-interest



1 January 2020: MARY THE HOLY MOTHER OF GOD

As we welcome the new year, it reminds us that it is usually a time of planning ahead, aspiring towards ideals, setting ambiguous targets and working to reach those ideals and achieve those targets. Some people decide to devote more time to their spouses and children... Others resolve to work more efficiently... Some students choose to study systematically and consistently... But life is not as simple as making New Year resolutions and effortlessly keeping them.

Christianity teaches us that we are unable to sustain our efforts to change our attitudes and improve our behaviour by us. We constantly need God's help and blessing. Otherwise all our efforts are ultimately doomed to failure. Thus it is appropriate to ask God's blessing on the New Year and on everything we undertake in the future and nurture them by prayer, longing for God in our life and spiritual exercise such as Morning Prayer, Evening Prayer and Examination of Conscience. It also challenges us to be humble about our talents and achievements by reminding us that our happiness and well-being originate in God's infinite and unconditional love, which is the source of our life.

Wish you all a Happy Feast & New Year!

-Fr Shaju, Fr Peter, Canon John & Alan



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ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

The shepherd went in haste, and found Mary and Joseph and the Infant Jesus lying in a manger.

LITURGY OF THE WORD

FIRST READING

A reading from the book of Ecclesiasticus 3:2-6,12-14

The Lord honours the father in his children, and upholds the rights of a mother over her sons. Whoever respects his father is atoning for his sins, he who honours his mother is like someone amassing a fortune. Whoever respects his father will be happy with children of his own, he shall be heard on the day when he prays. Long life comes to him who honours his father, he who sets his mother at ease is showing obedience to the Lord. My son, support your father in his old age, do not grieve him during his life.

Even if his mind should fail, show him sympathy, do not despise him in your health and strength; for kindness to a father shall not be forgotten but will serve as reparation for your sins.

The word of the Lord.

R. Thanks be to God

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Psalm 23(24):1-6



R. O blessed are those who fear the Lord and walk in his ways!

O blessed are those who fear the Lord
and walk in his ways!

By the labour of your hands you shall eat.
You will be happy and prosper. **R**

Your wife like a fruitful vine
in the heart of your house;
your children like shoots of the olive,
around your table. **R**

Indeed thus shall be blessed
the man who fears the Lord.
May the Lord bless you from Zion
All the days of your life. **R**

SECOND READING

A Reading from the letter of St. Paul to the Colossians 3:12-21

You are God's chosen race, his saints; he loves you, and you should be clothed in sincere compassion, in kindness and humility, gentleness and patience. Bear with one another; forgive each other as soon as a quarrel begins. The Lord has forgiven you; now you must do the same. Over all these clothes, to keep them together and complete them, put on love. And may the peace of Christ reign in your hearts, because it is for this that you were called together as parts of one body. Always be thankful.

Let the message of Christ, in all its richness, find a home with you. Teach each other, and advise each other, in all wisdom. With gratitude in your hearts sing psalms and hymns and inspired songs to God; and never say or do anything except in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him.

Wives, give way to your husbands, as you should in the Lord. Husbands, love your wives and treat them with gentleness. Children, be obedient to your parents always, because that is what will please the Lord. Parents, never drive your children to resentment or you will make them feel frustrated.

The word of the Lord
R. Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia! May the peace of Christ reign in your hearts; let the message of Christ find a home with you. Alleluia!

GOSPEL

A Reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew 1:18-24

After the wise men had left, the angel of the Lord appeared to Joseph in a dream and said, 'Get up, take the child and his mother with you, and escape into Egypt, and stay there until I tell you, because Herod intends to search for the child and do away with him.' So Joseph got up and, taking the child and his mother with him, left that night for Egypt, where he stayed until Herod was dead. This was to fulfil what the Lord had spoken through the prophet:

I called my son out of Egypt.

After Herod's death, the angel of the Lord appeared in a dream to Joseph in Egypt and said, 'Get up, take the child and his mother with you and go back to the land of Israel, for those who wanted to kill the child are dead.' So Joseph got up and, taking the child and his mother with him, went back to the land of Israel. But when he learnt that Archelaus had succeeded his father Herod as ruler of Judaea he was afraid to go there, and being warned in a dream he left for the region of Galilee. There he settled in a town called Nazareth. In this way the words spoken through the prophets were to be fulfilled: 'He will be called a Nazarene.'

The Gospel of the Lord.

R. Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ

THE NICENE CREED

I believe in one God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible.

I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ, the Only Begotten Son of God, born of the Father before all ages. God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father; Through him all things were made. For us men and for our salvation he came down from heaven, and by the Holy Spirit (all bow) *was incarnate of the Virgin Mary, and became man.*

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate, he suffered death and was buried, and rose again on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead and his kingdom will have no end. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets.

I believe in one, holy, catholic, and apostolic Church. I confess one baptism for the forgiveness of sins and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

THE LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

SANCTUS

Holy, Holy, Holy Lord God of hosts.
Heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

THE MYSTERY OF FAITH.

*When we eat this Bread and drink this Cup,
we proclaim your Death, O Lord,
until you come again.*

COMMUNION RITE

Deliver us, Lord, we pray...
For the kingdom, the power and the glory are yours now and for ever

Behold the Lamb of God...*Lord, I am not worthy that you should enter under my roof, but only say the word and my soul shall be healed.*

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

Say to the faint of heart: Be strong and do not fear. Behold our God will come, and he will save us.

PARISH INFORMATION, FAITH NEWS & MISSION

ALL NATIONS CAROL SERVICE (Parish Carol Service): Parish takes this opportunity to say a thank you to all the communities, parish Choir and children's choir for making us proud of you. Well done



CHRISTMAS OFFERING: Fr Shaju, Fr Pater, Canon John and Alan wish to say a big thank you to all for your generous Christmas offerings, very many cards and the gifts that you gave to us at the Christmas. We are touched by your love and thoughtfulness for us. *Many thanks.*



BIBLE STUDY: *Next one is on Monday 6th January at 7pm in the Function Suite.*

NEW YEAR THANKSGIVING SERVICE & MASS: We, as a Parish will come together and spend time in thanksgiving to God for all the blessings each one of us and our families have received in 2019. **Confessions from 10pm, Thanksgiving Service will begin at 11pm on Tuesday 31st December and we begin the New Year with the Lord in the Mass at midnight followed by New Year's celebration in the hall.**

CHRISTMAS CELEBRATIONS: A BIG THANK YOU to all of you who helped to celebrate this year's Christmas Celebrations with prayerfulness and festivities. Special thanks to **Children's Choir & Nativity Play and all those who prepared them.** Hard work of **all other choirs, florists, welcomers and all those who helped in decorating the Church** is greatly acknowledged. We also thank Filipino community who organised Simbáng Gabi celebrations.

CHRISTMAS RAFFLE: Thank you for supporting the fund raising for new organ project. Congratulations to all those who won the prizes, the winning numbers can be found from the notice board. Please contact the parish office to collect your prizes. We raised £11635.01 so far. Many thanks.



The next one will be **SATURDAY 11th JANUARY** starting at **9.15am** with **MORNING PRAYER**, adoration, devotions, talk, confessions, and a **SPECIAL MASS at 11am** followed

by anointing of the sick and prayer over people. It is a wonderful opportunity to spend time in prayer and reflection. If you know anyone who is ill in your family or among friends please bring them with you.

As we have come to the end of the God given year 2019, the Parish Family wishes to say a thank you to all those who supported our community in various ways in this year. Thank you for your support to those who are saddened at the death of their loved one, your loving care for the sick & the housebound, comforting presence to those in loneliness, timely support to those who were in crisis and the helping hand to the needy, encouragement to the children & youth, compassion to the elderly etc. You all made a difference in our community: some by their silent prayers, some with their generosity, some with their gifts & talents and some with their very presence. As we acknowledge your valuable support and hard work, we wish to say a special thanks to the following:

**Altar Linen Cleaners *Altar Servers *Altar Servers Alb organisers *Catechists
*Cleaning Team *Communication Team *Coffee Morning Organisers *Children's Liturgy Team *Choirs & Music Organisers *Extraordinary Ministers of Communion & the Sick *Event Organisers *Flower Arrangers *Finance Committee *Gift Aid Administrators *Mass Coordinators
*Ministers of the word *Ministers of Welcoming *Money Counters *Mothers & Toddlers Group organisers *Outreach Group *Pastoral Council *Premises Team
*Rosary, Divine Mercy, Padre Pio & Charismatic Prayer Groups *Sunday Collection & Offertory Organisers *Repairs & Maintenance helpers *Repository Team *Sacred Vessel cleaners *Sacristans *School Governors *SVP, Knights, Bible study group, 50+ club & Knitter Natter group *Tea & Coffee Team *Safeguarding Representative
*Social Committee *Votive Candle stand Cleaning Team *Web Master *Working Party
Youth Group & Leaders.

ALTAR SERVERS, CHILDREN'S CHOIR & THEIR FAMILIES

MASS: all the Altar servers, children choir and their families are requested to join for the annual Mass for them on *Monday 30th December at 2pm at St Boniface* followed by a party for them in the hall.

LAST WEEKDAY MASS IN 2019: The last weekday Mass in 2019 at 9.30pm on *Tuesday 31st December* will be a special Mass for all the faithful departed in 2019 in our family and amongst our friends. During the Mass the names of your loved ones who died this year will be read out. If you wish to their name(s) to be included please write on the labelled sheet in the Church porch.

Please Note: No 6.30pm MASS on Tuesday 31st December

NEXT BAPTISM PROGRAMME is on this *Monday 30th December* at 7.30pm

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION PARENTS MEETING: Will be on *9th January 2020 at 7.15pm* in the Function Suite.

CONFIRMATION: parents meeting on *Friday 10th January* at 7pm in the Function Suite.

FIRST FIVE SATURDAYS DEVOTIONS: Next one is on *Saturday 4th January* beginning with Adoration at 8.45am followed by morning prayers, Mass at 9.30am, Novena and Rosary. You all are invited

LITURGY FOR CHILDREN: At the beginning of *10:30am mass on Sunday*, all children 5-10 years are requested to come forward towards the Sanctuary to join for the liturgy procession. Catechists will lead them out to the Parish Meeting Room. *Resume on 5th January after Christmas Break.*

INTERESTED IN BECOMING A CATHOLIC?(RCIA AND ADULT CONFIRMATION): The next Session is on *Monday 13th January at 7.15pm* in the Parish Meeting Room (in the Presbytery).

50+ CLUB, CHARISMATIC PRAYER GROUP, PADRE PIO GROUP and ROSARY GROUP: closed for Christmas.

FOOD BANK: the box for Food Bank contributions is in the Coffee Shop.

INFANTS BAPTISM: Any parents who wish to baptise their children should register in the parish and attend the Mass regularly for at least six months. Those who moved recently to the parish should get evidence of the catholic practice. Fr Shaju will be happy to talk to you during Parish Open house if you have any queries.

For all those who are celebrating their birthday this week the Parish wishes you a Happy Birthday and we join you to give thanks to God for the wonderful gift of life to you & you a special gift to us. The Parish also wishes every blessing to all the couples who are celebrating their wedding anniversary this week.



NEED TO SEE A PRIEST: If you need to see a priest to sign a school supplementary form, discuss about baptism or wedding or a private matter, please come to the Parish Open House every Friday from 4pm–6pm. No appointment needed

HOSPITAL VISITS : For any person admitted in St George’s Hospital and who would like to see a priest, please contact Fr Mark Higgins, the hospital chaplain on 020 8725 3069. In an emergency, please ask the ward staff to contact the Catholic priest on call.

PARISH PRAYER LIST

Please remember in your prayers all those on our parish prayer list.

The Sick: Rosario Alfonso, Rosalie Hickey, Anastatsia Ogbonna, Agnelo Fernades, Nilojan Mariyathas, Betty Joyce, Tony Hardy, Esther Daley, Norman Mendonca, Irene Mendonca, Julianna Hayfron, Nino Abel, Albert Folvi, Marciana Tangcay, Geoff Blwyddin Helena O’Connor, Pat Nolan, Norah Bolger, Anne Scanlon, Fortunata D’Souza, Nigel Searle, Gordon King, Maria Fatima, Fernando, Michael Andrade, Christina Grogan, Matilda Addison, Elizabeth Bosley, Janet Adams & Frances Brady

Anniversaries: Abena Bekoe, Olive Danials, Pamela Pengelly, Anastasia Oates, Patrick Mulroe, Mathaiparanam Tharmanesan, Ellen Poole, Una Conlon, Olga Maud, Baby Jaden Lagan-Joseph, Luisa Cassettari, Pasquale Aueta, Edward Wozniak, Michael Creegan, William Basilisco, Ianayat John, Maureen Clarke, Anourada Rajcoomar, Dominca Saminathar, Patrick Ahern, Nora Goss, Alice Lees, Imelda Nolan, John Fox, Elizabeth Digan, Emmanuel Okonkwo, Richard Sagoe, Quinto Cecchetti. *May they rest in peace – Amen.*

	28th & 29th December	4th & 5th January
	LITURGICAL READERS (please collect a copy of the rota)	
Sat18.30	Nancy Biney, Adrian Alfred,	Matchel Bibat, Ethan Power
09.00	Stefanie Flaherty, Angus Xavier	Andrea Mango, Remo Manoharadas
10.30	Gary Bennett, Anita Bennett	Francis Ikpoh, Deuwayne Ikpoh
12.00	Clynn Da Cunha, Matthewson Matthews	Sharon Wrightman, Ronald Cabrera
18.30	Sally Canizo, Angel Babu	Ivon Kandiah, James Short
	EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS (please collect a copy of the rota)	
Sat18.30	Debra Anton , Matchel Bibat Doris Cubero	Agnela Cabral, David Cabral, Ma- nuel Cabral
09.00	Luiza Lobo, Erica Summers Jane Parper	Valrose Hayes, Coralee Hilton, Eliza- beth Rodrigues
10.30	Josie McCarthy, Brenda McGrath Rui Rodrigues	Edy Endoza, Virginia Francois, Damian P Keeling
12.00	Bernadine Fernandes, Denis Fer- nandes, Tharma Kandiah	Rosemary John, Marjorie Smith, Mary Mayne
18.30	Agnes Babu, Sharon Wrightman Barrie Ellis-Daley	Reya Mathai, Julian De Souza, Barrie Ellis- Daley

Church Cleaning:	Wk5: Mon 30th Dec @ 7pm	Wk1: Mon 6th Jan @ 10am
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OFFERTORY COLLECTION

Thank you for your generosity at last weeks collection (£1920.04)

Gift aided: 50% Loose Plate: 50%



<u>Sunday 29th December</u> THE HOLY FAMILY OF JESUS, MARY & JOSEPH	09:00 10:30 12:00 18:30	Nancy Brockwell Tia Sudra Intentions Girdhar Vadher RIP Hillary Prosper RIP/Maureen O'Sullivan
Monday 30th December Altar Sevres & Children Choir Mass	09:30 14:00 18:30	Nora Gleeson, RIP Int of the Celebrant Charles Long, RIP
Tuesday 31st December 7th Day of Christmas Midnight Mass	09:30 18:30	Kate Danso, RIP No Mass Wladyslaw, RIP
Wednesday 1st January Mary, The Holy Mother of God	09:00 18:30	Joan Arellano Int James Dolan, RIP
Thursday 2nd January St Basil and Gregory Nazianzen	09:30 18:30	Pro Populo Kate Neville
Friday 3rd January The Most Holy Name of Jesus	09:30 18:30	Ava Bellamy Inayat John, RIP
Saturday 4th January The Holy Innocents	09:30 15:00 18:30	Peter Fitzpatrick Baptism Tom McNamara, RIP
<u>Sunday 5th January</u> THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD (Year A)	09:00 10:30 12:00 15:00 18:30	Crita Rajcoomar, RIP Erin Verhoeff Ints Ciaran Lambe, RIP & David Courtney Baptism Francisco Canizo de Los Arcos

<p><u>Monday 30th December</u> Padre Pio Group 7pm Cry Chapel</p> <p><u>Tuesday 31st December</u> Charismatic Prayer Group Closed</p> <p><u>Wednesday 1st January</u> Rosary Prayer Group 7pm Cry Chapel</p>	<p><u>Thursday 2nd January</u> Knit & Natter Group 3pm Cry Chapel Legion of Mary 7.15pm Cry Chapel Tamil Mass 7.30pm Church</p> <p><u>Friday 3rd January</u> 50+ Club Closed Parish Open House—Closed</p>
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<p>Sacrament of Reconciliation Sat: 11.30am – 12.30pm</p>	<p>Holy Hour First Friday 5:15 – 6:15pm</p>
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<p>Adoration & Morning Prayer Monday - Saturday: 8.45am Holy Hour on First Friday</p>	<p>Novena to St Anthony Tuesday: 10am Divine Mercy Chaplet Friday: 10am</p>	<p>Novena to Our Lady of Perpetual Succour Saturday: 10am</p>
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