Saint Anne's Chertsey - Parish Newsletter

Christmastide: The Holy Family & The Epiphany

31st December 2023 7th January 2024

A Christian community inspired by the Salesian ideals of Saint John Bosco

Feast of the Holy Family Masses 8.30am and 11:30am. Solemnity of Mary Mother of God 10.30am Epiphany 7th January 2024: Masses: 8:30am & 11.30am

The full diary of masses events and times for Christmastide is in our Christmas Eve Newsletter

Thank you:

- ~For your generous contributions of presents during Advent to the Salvation Army, Addlestone.
- ~To the St. Anne's St Vincent de Paul Conference for their pastoral work and distribution of Hampers during Advent and Christmas.
- ~To the Legion of Mary for their evangelisation, carol singing and distribution of the Gospels during the last weekend of Advent.
- ~To the organisers of the Parish Carol Service on the last Thursday evening of Advent- the parish music group with support from the Salesian Co-operators. This carol service raised £368.22 on the evening for the Bethlehem Creche. The organisers thank you all.

Mass Intentions 31st December -14th January 2024

Sun 8.30am Veronica & Alan Hutchins Int.

Sun 11.30am People of the Parish

Mon 10.30am Dorothea Gray Int.

Tue 9.30am Ken & Barbara Greaney Int.

Thu 9.30am Alex Ryan Int.

Fri 9.30am Philip & Chloe Huynh RIP

Sun 8.30am Pat & Brian Barnes Int.

Sun 11.30am People of the Parish

Mon 9.30am Eileen & Ray Woolrich Int.

Tue 9.30am Maura Russell Int.

Thu 9.30am Yvonne Byrne Int.

Fri 9.30am Sister Gladys Monks RIP

Sat 10.00am Sheila Garbutt RIP

Sun 8.30am People of the Parish

Sun 11.30am Rosemary & Tony Ricci Int

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We welcome Fr Kevin O'Donnell SDB who celebrates weekday masses for St. Anne's before the Epiphany. The Baptism of the Lord completes Christmastide. Ordinary time resumes on Tuesday 9th January. Christmas decorations- the crib and the tree- will be steadily taken down. However, the frame of the crib must stay in place for electrical and wiring tests to be completed.

Your prayers please

For Betty Napper for her steady recuperation and return to good health. Betty says thank you for our prayers.

For Nora O'Brien and Timothy O'Riordan both very poorly.

For Jim Cummins and Jon Mills both in St Peter's Hospital. They and their families value our prayers. And for Barbara Mills.

For all those recovering from surgery, and for all those in residential care around our parish.

For Teresa McKeown RIP the sister of Fr Martin Coyle SDB, and for all of her family.

Crib Offerings: Thank you all for your generosity over the season: This winter our Crib Collection for the Catholic Children's Society has already raised more than £ £110. The collection continues until the season ends, and posters in church show you how you can make on-line or postal donations.

Christmas Offerings: Fr Graham wishes to thank you all for your great generosity in the Christmas Offerings, and for your cards, messages, good wishes and Christmas boxes. On behalf of all our Salesian Community, thanks for your kindness at this time of year. Your prayers have really helped during the preparations for Christmas.

Cafod Offerings: I've received a special message of prayers and thanks from Jenny, our local Cafod representative in Guildford, expressing her appreciation of the steady support for Cafod provided by the people of Saint Anne's Parish during 2023. God bless you all!

First Holy Communion Programme commences in January 2024

For those parents who attended the compulsory November 2023 Meeting: Please bring the preparation materials issued to you, with your child, for the Groups we have arranged. Group Information was sent to you by e-mail before Christmas.

At least one parent must attend each session with their child, and families are expected to sign in at Sunday Masses from the weekend after the Epiphany, all through the programme.

Group A; (Theresa) starts 6.30pm Thursday 11th January 2024 in Savio Centre. Please arrive early so that the group commences on time.

Group B; (Pauline) starts 10.30am Saturday 13th January 2024 in Savio Centre. Please arrive early so that the group commences on time.

Group C; (Fr. Graham) starts 6.00pm Monday 15th January 2024 in Savio Centre.

Please arrive early so that the group commences on time.

As we commence the groups, the numbers in each group are full.