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20th December 2015
MASS TIMES

Saturday
 Vigil Mass: 5.30 pm
Sunday
 10.00 am and 6.00 pm
Monday
 10.00 am
Tuesday
 10.00 am
Wednesday
 10.00 am
Thursday Christmas Eve
First Mass of Christmas
 7.00 pm
 10.30 pm Carols & Mass
Friday Christmas Day
 10.00 am
Saturday St. Stephen's Day
 12 noon

Fr Paul writes:

In the run-up to our celebration of Christmas may I remind you of some impending events:

This Sunday evening (20th) we are invited to join our friends at St Marys, The Fairway for their Christmas Carol Service at 6pm. It is based on the traditional Service of Lessons and Carols which take place every Christmas Eve in Kings College, Cambridge and is broadcast throughout the world. It marks for many the beginning of Christmas. Come and make a start to yours as we join together with our Christian neighbours.

On Monday 21st there will be a Service of Reconciliation at The Sacred Heart Church, Ruislip at 7.30pm. During it everyone is invited to avail themselves of the Sacrament of Confession. There will be at least six priests to hear confessions and the whole process should not take more than an hour. At the start of The Year of Mercy it would be very appropriate for each of us to prepare for Christmas in this way and also for us to encourage others to come and experience the loving mercy of God in their lives.

When it comes to our celebration of Christmas - our First Mass on Christmas Eve is at 7pm and is geared for those who depend on public transport and for whom "Midnight" Mass is a bit too late. Our "Midnight" Mass will in fact begin at 11pm and will be preceded by Carols and Readings at 10.30pm. Mass on Christmas Day is at 10am. All of these Masses will be full so you are advised that if you want to make sure of a seat do come early.

Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession)
Saturdays: After the morning & evening Mass or by appointment



COLLECTIONS	
Envelopes	£ 999.09
Loose Plate	£ 356.81
Standing Orders	£ 500.00
Total	£1855.90

Parish Registration
 If you have recently joined the parish or not completed a Registration Card in the last two years please do so and return it to the presbytery. These cards are available in the porch or from the Parish Office. Our parish records are referred to for applications for sacramental preparation and school application forms.

Couples wishing to marry here or in a Catholic Church need to give at least six months' notice of their intentions.

TO EVERYONE, WHETHER YOU BE AT HOME OR AWAY,

WE WISH YOU

A VERY HAPPY AND HOLY CHRISTMAS

AND

EVERY BLESSING FOR THE NEW YEAR

NOTICES

Advent Giving Tree
 Week Four - 20th December Michael Sobell House Sale of Tree ornaments & donations.

Christmas Envelopes
 Christmas envelopes are available at the back of the Church. These are for those who will be away and for those who see their gift as a personal gift to your priest.

Hymn Books
 If you would like a hymn book named in memory of a loved one, please let us have the name of the person you would like published and your donation of £5 per book in an envelope marked "Hymnbook".

Red Sanctuary Lamps
 If you would like to have these dedicated to the memory of a loved one please contact Gillian in the parish office. The dedicated name(s) will be published each week in the newsletter. There is a suggested donation of £10.

SANCTUARY LAMPS

This week's dedication is for: Sean Keane (RIP)

Mass Intentions for 20th December to 27th December 2015

This SUNDAY 20th December	5.30 pm	Nicolina Ciccone (RIP)
4th Sunday of Advent	10.00 am	Jack Jones (RIP)
Year C	6.00 pm	James & Jenny Thompson (RIP)
Monday 21st December	9.45 am	Morning Prayer
	10.00 am	Rhuddian Davies (RIP)
Tuesday 22nd December	9.45 am	Morning Prayer
	10.00 am	Kathleen Keenan (RIP)
Wednesday 23rd December	9.45 am	Morning Prayer
	10.00 am	Chris O'Connor (RIP)
Thursday 24th December		
CHRISTMAS EVE		
1st Mass of Christmas	7.00 pm	Sean Keane (RIP)
Carols & Readings	10.30 pm	
Followed by Mass	11.00 pm	Peter Masterson (RIP)
Friday 25th December		
CHRISTMAS DAY	10.00 am	Noel Edwards (RIP)
Saturday 26th December	12 noon	Deceased Members of the Speed & Tutin Families
St. Stephen's Day		& Deceased Members of Guild of St. Stephen (RIP)
NEXT WEEKEND		
27th December	5.30 pm (Sat)	Laurence O'Dwyer (RIP)
Holy Family of Jesus,	10.00 am	Frances Wilson (RIP)
Mary & Joseph Year C	6.00 pm	Lucy Casallas (RIP)

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK AND HOUSEBOUND:-

Tony Johnson, Liam Warren, Pauline Davey, Micah McKennon, Bridie Murren, Mary Temple, Thelma Buckingham, Nicola Teune, Michael Clough, Denise Busby, Mary McCann, Slyvia Bryant, Bridget Finch, Hedi David, Angie Webster, Barbara Smith, Michael Mangan, Mary Wallace, Brendan Conroy, Kevin Ryan, Jim McGinley, Hannah Westwood, Betty Hewitt, Theresa Brent, Tom Hennessy, Anne-Marie Henry.
(Please tell us when people can be taken off this list).

PLEASE PRAY FOR THOSE WHO HAVE DIED RECENTLY AND THOSE WHOSE ANNIVERSARY OCCURS ABOUT THIS TIME, WE ALSO REMEMBER AT THIS TIME:-

Fr. Alan Ashton, Eileen Downey, Brian McVeigh, Moira Reed, Danny O'Neill, Nicolina Ciccone, Jack Jones, James & Jenny Thompson, Rhuddian Davies, Kathleen Keenan, Chris O'Connor, Sean Keane, Peter Masterson, Noel Edwards, Deceased Members of the Speed & Tutin Families.

DIARY FOR NEXT WEEK:

Saturday 19th December
 5.30 pm Children's Liturgy

Sunday 20th December
 10.00 am Children's Liturgy
 11.00 am Refreshments in hall after Mass

Monday 21st December
 7.30 pm Sacrament of Reconciliation,
 Church of the Sacred Heart, Ruislip

LOOKING AHEAD:-

Saturday 26th December
 5.30 pm Children's Liturgy

Sunday 27th December
 10.00 am Children's Liturgy



**Fourth Sunday in
 Advent** YEAR C

