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MASSES THIS WEEK (with YEAR C Readings)

Sunday 9 January

8.30am
10.30am

Feast of The Baptism of The Lord

Mass intention for: People of the Parish
Mass intention for: O'Meara Family

Monday 10 January

No public Mass today

Feria in Ordinary Time

Mass Intention for: Private Intention

Tuesday 11 January

10.00 am

Feria in Ordinary Time

Mass Intention for: Christopher Meacham R.I.P

Wednesday 12 January

10.00am

Memorial of St Aelred of Rievaulx

Mass intention for: Noel Jack R.I.P.

Thursday 13 December

11.00am

Memorial of St Hilary, Bishop, Doctor of the Church

Mass intention for: Elizabeth Mary Fleming

Friday 14 January

11.00am

Feria in Ordinary Time

Mass intention for: Vittorio Iannoccaro R.I.P.

Saturday 15 January

10.00am

Memorial of Our Lady on Saturday

Mass intention for: Stan Robson R.I.P.

Sunday 16 January

8.30am
10.30am

Second Sunday in Ordinary Time Peace Day

(There will be a Second Collection today for Pax Christi)

Mass intention for: Private Intention

Mass intention for: People of the Parish

Anniversaries in January:

Rev John Morgan (1718), Thomas Mewburn Crook (1949), Charles Keeffe (1977), Margaret Steele (1978), Ronald Fry (1978), Leofric Howell (1995), Sir Robert Grant Ferris (1997), Juliet Bradley (2001), Eve Mary Smith (2001), Anne Mulroy (2004), Elizabeth Bashford (2005), Bernadette Pinfield (2007), William Eardley 2009, Thaddeus Keane 2010, Pam Taft (2011), Denis Thomas Kimberlin (2014), Ellie Tansey (2019), Ray Fogg (2019), Noel Clark (2019)

In your prayers please remember parishioners and friends who are sick:

Deirdre Brookes, Kathleen Clark, Liz and Lionel Cornish, Bob Grant, Jane and Peter Handley, Kay Hildebrandt, Ann Parry, Clare Saich



... for all your offerings and donations. They are always gratefully received.

Contributions to the Parish: 27 December - 3 January

Regular, weekly Gift Aid Direct Debit:	£316.00
Gift Aid Envelopes:	£162.50
Loose cash:	£ 152.50



OFFERTORY DONATIONS are no longer collected in the pews. If you wish to make a donation on **SUNDAYS** please place your offering in the 'bin' on the porch table. On **OTHER DAYS OF THE WEEK** offerings may be placed **in the basket on the sanctuary step in front of the altar**. During the Christmas Season, offerings placed in the basket by the crib will be sent to Father Hudson's Care charity.



WELCOME TO ST MARY'S!

We ask everyone attending our premises to take note of the following:

- When inside Church the congregation **MUST** now wear face coverings (unless you are under 11 years or medically exempt).
- If members of the congregation would like to ensure social distancing they may use a 'Please Leave Space' sign (available in the porch) and place it on the seat beside them in their pew.
- Please spread out and don't kneel if someone is sitting on the pew in front.
- Should you wish to be informed if someone who has attended your Mass has tested positive then please use the QR code displayed on the table or fill in a slip with your name, contact details and date / time and post it in the wooden box located on a porch table, and we will contact you as soon as we have been made aware.

JANUARY

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2022

One of our New Year's resolutions in the St Mary's office is to update the **parishioner data base**. If you have changed home or email address, telephone number or any other details or if you would like to be added to our contacts list please email the Parish Office this month.

We hope this is one resolution we will be able to achieve!

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A New Year's resolution for some of you may be to read more books, or perhaps to widen the variety of books you do read. If so, why not consider joining the friendly **Parish Book Group**? They are meeting at **9.30am on Monday 10 January at Rowberry's café** to discuss the police

procedural novel *Death at La Fenice* by the American writer Donna Leon. All are welcome whether they have read it or not! The book for February is *A Passage to India* by the classic English novelist E M Forster.

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If you have been reading the Parish newsletter over the past few weeks you know Pope Francis wants to know what is happening and hear from the 'grass roots' of the Catholic Church, We are being given the chance to express our views and

to have them heard by the Church hierarchy. To find out more, please come along to a very special parish meeting on the subject of the **'Synodal Pathway', at Harvington Hall on Wednesday 12th January 2022 7.00pm – 8.30pm.**

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You are invited to take part in an Ecumenical Pilgrimage around **Worcester Cathedral** during the evening of the Holocaust Memorial Day,

Thursday 27th January 2022.

For more details please contact Jim Quinn: j.quinn789@btinternet.com or phone 01299 851021 or text 07960 218925



COMMEMORATED and CELEBRATED THIS WEEK

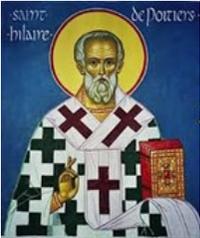


St Aelred of Rievaulx, Abbot (1109-1167)

Born in 1110, St Aelred died at Rievaulx (Yorkshire) on this day in 1167. The son of a priest, he was educated at Durham and in the household of King David of Scotland. In 1134 he visited the newly-founded Cistercian abbey of Rievaulx, and was so attracted to the place and its life that he chose to become a monk there, and was eventually elected

abbot. He is remembered for his gift for friendship, for his sensitive and gentle rule, and for his enduringly popular spiritual writings, especially that on friendship.

<https://www.liturgyoffice.org.uk/Calendar/National/England2.shtml>



Saint Hilary of Poitiers (c. 315 – c. 368)

This staunch defender of the divinity of Christ was a gentle and courteous man, devoted to writing some of the greatest theology on the Trinity, and was like his Master in being labelled a “disturber of the peace.” In a very troubled period in the Church, his holiness was lived out in both scholarship and controversy. He was bishop of Poitiers in

France. Raised a pagan, he was converted to Christianity when he met his God of nature in the Scriptures. His wife was still living when he was chosen, against his will, to be the bishop of Poitiers in France. He was soon taken up with battling what became the scourge of the fourth century, Arianism, which denied the divinity of Christ. The heresy spread rapidly. Saint Jerome said “The world groaned and marvelled to find that it was Arian.” When Emperor Constantius ordered all the bishops of the West to sign a condemnation of Athanasius, the great defender of the faith in the East, Hilary refused and was banished from France to far off Phrygia. Eventually he was called the “Athanasius of the West.” While writing in exile, he was invited by some semi-Arians (hoping for reconciliation) to a council the emperor called to counteract the Council of Nicea. But Hilary predictably defended the Church, and when he sought public debate with the heretical bishop who had exiled him, the Arians, dreading the meeting and its outcome, pleaded with the emperor to send this troublemaker back home. Hilary was welcomed by his people.

<https://stswithuns.org.uk/sod-0113/saint-hilary-of-poitiers>