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MASSES THIS WEEK (with YEAR B Readings)

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| Sunday 24 December | Fourth Sunday of Advent
<i>Day of prayer for Expectant Mothers</i>
Mass intention for: <i>People of The Parish</i>
Mass Intention for: <i>Ronald Kearney R.I.P.</i> |
| Monday 25 December | Solemnity of the Nativity of the Lord
Christmas Day
Mass intention for: <i>Private Intention</i>
Mass Intention for: <i>People of The Parish</i> |
| Tuesday 26 December | Feast of St Stephen, the first Martyr
Mass intention for: <i>Private Intention</i> |
| Wednesday 27 December | Feast of St John, Apostle, Evangelist
Mass intention for: <i>Summer McCabe</i> |
| Thursday 28 December | Feast of the Holy Innocents, Martyrs
Mass Intention for: <i>Private Intention</i> |
| Friday 29 December | Feast of St Thomas Becket, Bishop, Martyr
Mass intention for: <i>Private Intention</i> |
| Saturday 30 December | Sixth Day within the Octave of Christmas
Mass intention for: <i>Private Intention</i> |
- The **SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION (Confession)** is available in church following this Mass and by appointment at other times.
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| Sunday 31 December | Feast of the Holy Family of Jesus,
Mary and Joseph
Mass intention for: <i>People of The Parish</i>
Mass Intention for: <i>Anthony Francis-Flores R.I.P.</i> |
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Anniversaries in December: Rev Sylvester Jenks (1714), Rev Thomas Atherton (1758), Sir Charles Throckmorton (1840), Charles Spink (1885), Edward Hailes (1912), Elaine Mulroy (1971), Eric Needham (1996), Cyril Hennessey (1999), Margaret Green (2004), Josephine Packwood (2004), Anthony Bashford (2006), Pauline Reeve (2006). James O'Brien (2012), Marilyn Way (2016), Greg Kelly (2020), Christopher Morrissey (2020)



In your prayers please remember those who are sick and asked for our prayers:

Deirdre Brookes, Stephen Brown, Beth Downing, Shirley Grant, Peter Handley, Annick Harvey, Elizabeth Howell, Angela MacGarrow, Ann Murphy, Paul Morrison, John & Ellen Mottram, Patricia Newton, Kevin O'Connor, Ann Parry, Bridget Rochford, Jeanne Round, Karen Wright.

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 ... for all your offerings and donations.



Contributions to the Parish: 10-17 December:

Regular, weekly Gift Aid Direct Debit:	£316.00
Gift Aid Envelopes:	£163.00
Loose cash:	£282.01
Christmas Raffle:	£292.00

Direct Debit, gift aid forms are available from the folder on the notice board in the church porch. Please complete and either hand to Fr John or post through his house letterbox.



CHRISTMAS OFFERINGS to Fr John.

Should you wish to make an offering to Fr John, please put it in an envelope with his name on it. For your convenience there are some pre-labelled envelopes in the porch. They may be either be placed in the Offertory baskets or handed directly to Fr John. The Offertory collections on Christmas Day, in or out of envelopes, are traditionally offered as a Christmas gift to clergy.



PLEASE DO NOT LEAVE MONEY OR ENVELOPES CONTAINING MONEY IN THE PORCH. If you wish to make a donation when Mass is not taking place and the church is otherwise empty, please post your offering (in an envelope) in the letterbox in the door of the Priest's House.

PARISH SAFEGUARDING

The Parish operates in accordance with Statutory Safeguarding Guidance and the National and Archdioceses policies & procedures at all times. Our Parish Safeguarding Rep is **Valerie Nolan**. She can be contacted at: sg.stmary.harvington@rcaob.org.uk or alternatively the Diocesan Safeguarding team can be contacted on: 0121 2306240 / safeguarding@rcaob.org.uk if you have any concern.

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Just for fun at Christmas ...
Name the carols from the clues
(the first one has been done for you):

- ◆ Righteous Darkness:

Oh Holy Night

- ◆ Arrival Time: 2400 hrs -- Weather: Cloudless:

- ◆ The Christmas preceding all others:

- ◆ Far Off in a Feeder:

- ◆ Nocturnal Noiselessness:

- ◆ Give Attention to the Melodious Celestial Beings:

- ◆ Triumvirate of far eastern heads of state:

- ◆ Small municipality in Judea southeast of Jerusalem:

- ◆ As the guardians of little woolly animals protected their charges:

- ◆ Car City in the Midlands Sings:

- ◆ Benevolent Royal Figure from Eastern Block:

- ◆ Move here everyone loyal in their belief:

- ◆ Summon twice footballer Adebayor:

... and for the sharp eyed members of our congregation:

Wise men at night Spot-the-difference 01

Can you spot the 10 differences between these 2 pictures of the wise men travelling at night, on their way to Bethlehem to see Jesus?

