



St Joseph's Church

Wealdstone and Harrow Weald

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The Baptism of the Lord

10th January 2021



“You are my Son, the Beloved; my favour rests on you.”

Today the Church celebrates the Feast of the Baptism of Our Lord. This brings to an end the season of Christmas. The Church recalls Our Lord's second manifestation or epiphany which occurred on the occasion of His baptism in the Jordan. Jesus descended into the River to sanctify its waters and to give them the power to beget sons of God. The event takes on the importance of a second creation in which the entire Trinity intervenes.

Many of the incidents which accompanied Christ's baptism are symbolical of what happened at our Baptism. At Christ's baptism the Holy Spirit descended upon Him; at our Baptism the Trinity took its abode in our soul. At His baptism Christ was proclaimed the "Beloved Son" of the Father; at our Baptism we become the adopted sons of God. At Christ's baptism the heavens were opened; at our Baptism heaven was opened to us. At His baptism Jesus prayed; after our Baptism we must pray to avoid actual sin.

Fr Thomas Malal, SDS

YOUR MASSES

Sunday Readings Year B: Weekday Readings Year 1

Monday: No Public Mass

Tuesday: St Aelred of Rievaulx
Public Mass at 7:30 & 10.00am

Wednesday: St Hilary, Bishop & Doctor
Public Mass at 7:30 & 10.00am

Thursday: Public Mass at 7:30 & 10.00am

Friday: Public Mass at 7:30 & 10.00am

Saturday: Public Mass at 10.00am & 6pm

Sunday: 2nd Sunday Ordinary Time

Both Saturday Masses count for a Sunday Mass

After Christmas celebration, no booking system is needed. Just walk in the church for masses.

Here is the link to St. Joseph Church's Facebook page, you do not need a Facebook login to access: <https://www.facebook.com/catholicwealdstone/>

Sanctuary Lamp Intentions



Two lamps constantly burn before the tabernacle to indicate the presence of Our Lord in the Blessed Sacrament. The candles burn for 7 days - Saturday to Saturday. These may be offered for intentions at £10 each.

1. **Pawel Bak +(3rd anni)**
2. **Amanda Jane Cummins (b/day anni)**

Confirmation & First Holy Communion 2021

Registration for Confirmation and First Holy Communion 2021 has now closed. Following advice from the Bishops' Conference both programmes will have to be held online only, due to coronavirus restrictions. We are currently investigating with our local schools the best way to achieve this. Any candidates who are not in Catholic Schools will be approached individually. Regular updates will be posted in the bulletin, on Facebook and on our Website.

Catholic Union seeks support from Parishes

The Catholic Union of Great Britain represents the views of Catholics in public life and is looking to strengthen its links with parishes across the diocese. Over the next few months, the Union wants to invite parishes to become a 'Supporter Parish' and to ask for help in finding parishioners to become individual members. There will be no costs involved for parishes, just an effort to build closer relationships. To find out more see <https://catholicunion.org.uk/>

Baptisms

Please contact the Parish Office if you would like to arrange a baptism. Following government guidelines 6 people can attend, including the baby.

From the Registers...

*Teddy Francis William Croucher
Oluwatoni Nathan Adelumola
Anna-Sophia Sade Fakorede &
Tessa Susanna Levingstone
Who were baptised before Advent in
November 2020*

May the Lord bless them with His Love

Parish Diaries

St Joseph's Parish Diaries for 2021 are available, for free, at the back of the Church.

Repository

The Repository is open occasionally. Only 2 people will be allowed in the shop at one time for social distancing.

**In my hands I hold today.
In my dreams I hold tomorrow.
In my faith I hold forever.**

Pope's Intention for January

We pray that the Lord give us the grace to live in full fellowship with our brothers and sisters of other religions, praying for one another, open to all.

Rosary Intention for January

Reconciliation for families and return to the faith.

Recently Deceased

Dorothy May Arens, Funeral Mass: Tuesday 12th January 2021 at 11.00am followed by Burial at Harrow Weald Cemetery.

Father James (Jim) Anthony Duffy, Priest of the Archdiocese of Westminster. He died peacefully on 28th December 2020. Funeral at Our Lady Help of Christians church, Rickmansworth on Monday 18 January 2021 at 1pm by Bishop Paul McAleenan.

Susan Philomena Conway (wife of Thomas). Funeral: Tuesday 19th January at 10.00am followed by burial at Northwood Cemetery.

Irving Ambrose Pacquette (husband of Christina). Funeral: Friday 22nd January at 12 noon followed by cremation at Breakspear Crematorium.

Barbara Kowin (Shelley), who died on 3rd January. Funeral to be arranged.

May they rest in peace

Acknowledgement

Grace and Sharon Collins would like to sincerely thank all parishioners and friends who have sent sympathy messages and cards on the loss of John Collins. Your kindness has been overwhelming at such a sad time. The family would also like to thank Father Paul for travelling to Harrow to celebrate John's Funeral Mass, it was very much appreciated. Holy Mass will be said for your intentions.

A Prayer for the Baptism of the Lord

*Open the heavens,
almighty Father,
and pour out your Spirit
upon your people gathered in prayer.*

*Renew the power of our baptismal cleansing
and fill us with zeal for good deeds.*

*Let us hear your voice once again,
that we may recognise in your beloved Son
our hope of inheriting eternal life.*

*Grant this through Jesus Christ,
your Word made flesh,
who lives and reigns with you
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
in the splendour of eternal light,
God for ever and ever.*

Amen.

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