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SOLEMNITY OF THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD 8 JANUARY 2012

LARGE PRINT LITURGY OF THE WORD AVAILABLE FROM THE SACRISTY

Sunday: Cycle B; Weekday: Year 2; Divine Office: Psalter Week 1

Entrance Antiphon: Behold, the Lord, the Mighty One, has come; and kingship is in his grasp, and power and dominion.

Responsorial Psalm: All nations shall fall prostrate before you, O Lord.

Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia, alleluia! We saw his star as it rose and have come to do the Lord homage. Alleluia!

Communion Antiphon: We have seen his star in the East, and have come with gifts to adore the Lord.

Hand bags & personal property: please do not leave unattended – especially when going to receive Holy Communion.

Please do not park in the coach bay outside of the Cathedral Reception – even with a disabled badge - you will get a parking ticket!!

Mass Times 7th – 15th January 2012

Sat 7th Weekday before Epiphany

10am Beryl Ollerenshaw

Vigil Mass for the Epiphany

4.30pm Bridgette Barrett RIP

Sun 8th Solemnity of the Epiphany of the Lord

9am Mary Flaherty RIP

11am Nathaniel Winter & Family

Followed by Meet & Greet in the Grimshaw Room

Mon 9th Feast of the Baptism of the Lord

12.15pm Briggette Barrett RIP

Tue 10th Weekday in Ordinary Time

12.15pm Barry Satchwell RIP

Wed 11th Weekday in Ordinary Time

12.15pm Tommie Willis RIP

Thu 12th Weekday in Ordinary Time

9.15am Mass in St. Chad's School

12.15pm Violet Hemming

Fri 13th Weekday in Ordinary Time

12.15pm Tommie Willis RIP

7.30pm Mass for Students & Young Adults

Sat 14th Weekday in Ordinary Time

10am Paul & Greta Naylor

Vigil Mass for the Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

4.30pm Joseph Mendy

Sun 15th Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

9am People of the Parish

11am Ellie Pommeroy

ROTAS (under development)

Eucharistic Ministers

Readers

Sacrament of Reconciliation:

Confessions are available after the 12.15pm Mass during the week, Monday to Friday, and following the 4.30pm Vigil Mass on Saturday afternoon. Also, there is an opportunity for Confession after the 10.00am Mass on Saturday during Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament.

Sacrament of Baptism:

Anyone seeking baptism for their children or themselves, please contact Canon Gerry or Sr. Thérèse.

Gift Aid can be taken out at any time of the year. It is a valuable source of additional income to the Cathedral at no extra cost to the parishioners.

Please contact Rev Peter Tibke at Cathedral House 0121 230 6208 for details on Gift Aid and other finance matters.

Wills & Bequests—

Your Cathedral has benefitted greatly in the past from the thoughtfulness of parishioners who have remembered the Cathedral in their Wills. Some have funded particular projects in Memoriam of loved ones. God bless you for your kindness.

Cathedral Collections

Gift Aid £50.00 **Loose** £405.54

Gift Aid envelopes are available for those who pay tax.

Cathedral Poor Box: helps us provide fresh fruit, vegetables & fish for daily food bags given out by St Chad's Sanctuary to the destitute. **Thank you for your generosity!**

Prayer Intentions

- We pray for all those who are ill especially: Fr. Ken Collins, Fr. Tony Taylor, Fr. Peter Rogers, Fr. Frank Rowe, Marie Iu, Alwen Griffiths, Hector Alphonse, and the children at the Children's Hospital.
- For all who have died recently: Doreen Green, James Fallon & Francis Fitzpatrick. We pray also for those whose anniversaries occur about this time especially: Fr. John Bentley, Fr. Bernard Robertson, Fr. Philip Wyles & Deacon William Murphy. Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them.

A warm welcome to all of our visitors, especially if this is your first visit. It's good to see our students returning for the new term. Each week, the Cathedral plays host to many Groups, Schools and Associations. If we can be of any help to make you feel at home, please introduce yourself to one of the priests or a member of staff. If you are new to the Cathedral Parish, please let us have your details by email or letter. For new Students and those of you who have started work in the City, please come to the Holy Hour or Mass for Students and Young People. This will be an opportunity to meet others from various countries of the world.

Meet & Greet one another over a tea/coffee in the Grimshaw Room, after 11am Mass this Sunday.

Congratulations to: two of our senior Altar Servers who are to be presented with long service medals by the Guild of Saint Stephen, Patron of Altar Servers. Gabrielle Stanley is to receive the Silver Guild Medal for more than 10 years of assisting on the sanctuary, and Andrew Oldnall who has reached the rare and remarkable milestone of 50 years service and receives the Guild Gold Medal. If anyone is interested in assisting during the Mass as an Altar Server, please contact Canon Gerry. Children and young people who have made their First Holy Communion may be servers. It is also an invite to those not so young! We are indebted to all of our Servers; and well done to Gabrielle and Andrew – our prayers and thanks as always!

Children & the Sacraments: if you have children not attending a Catholic school who are eligible to receive the Sacraments of Confession and Holy Communion (those aged 7 or more in June 2012) or children who are to be Confirmed (10 or 11 years old this November). We are commencing Instruction Classes in October, to be held on Saturdays. Please give full details to Canon Gerry or Sr Thèrèse.

Journey in Faith: Resumes on Thursday January 26th at 7pm. Please come to Cathedral Reception. A series of informal talks on the Faith for any adult who is thinking about becoming a member of the Church. All details or enquiries to Canon Gerry or Sr. Thèrèse.

Readers & Ministers of Holy Communion: We are also looking for more people to volunteer to assist at any of our Masses. Please contact Canon Gerry if you are willing to help. Thank you.

Assistance with cleaning the Cathedral would be most welcome. For more details please contact our Sacristan, Frances on 230 6246 or Reception at Cathedral House on 230 6201, Thank you.

St. Chad's Sanctuary: (Shadwell Street) provides help in many ways for the destitute and refugees. Each day they hand out bags containing basic foods, toiletries as well as clothing for men, women and children. You may think about adding an item or two to your weekly shopping to donate to the Sanctuary? They are in desperate need of tinned fish (in water), plain rice & sugar; as well as toiletries for Mums and babies! (Treats are also welcome!) Any gifts may be left at Cathedral Reception or taken to Sr. Margaret directly, at the Sanctuary. Her number is on the front of this Newsletter to check on opening times.

Cathedral Diaries for 2012: we are awaiting delivery still!. **Diocesan Directory 2012** now available from the Book Shop and the back of the Cathedral, price £2.35p and £3.85 (ring-bound).

Missio (Mill Hill Missionaries Red Boxes) are now due for collection, please return them as soon as possible to Sister Thérèse at Cathedral House, thank you.

Parish & Deanery Events

School Educational Visit this week: Tues. 10th Jan. – St. Joseph's, Banbury; Wed. 11th Jan. – Our Lady of the Wayside, Shirley; Thurs. 12th Jan. – St. Cuthbert's, Stechford.

Second Fridays Students & Young Adults Mass: 7.30pm at the Cathedral. This is an opportunity to meet other young Catholics. Our time together will include a short period for a talk and discussion. All are welcome, especially if you are new to the area. Next Mass Friday 13th January 2012. There will be an opportunity for the Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession) from 7.00pm.

Students Holy Hour, Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament – Held in the Cathedral every 4th Tuesday of the month (i.e., 24th January) and during term time only. Everyone is welcome.

Diocesan Events & Ecumenical Events

Father Hudson's 108th Annual Ball to be held at the National Motorcycle Museum, Junction 6 of the M42 on Saturday 28th January. Reception 7.30pm, Dinner 8.15pm Dancing until 1.00am, Tickets £33 available from Chris Loughram Tel: 01564 230440.

Cathedral Website: is under re-construction! Apologies for out dated info!