



## Parish of Our Lady of Walsingham

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### Sunday, 20th December 2020. Fourth Sunday in Advent

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Please ring if you have any concerns

#### May They Rest In Peace

Brian Grace, aged 80, late of Church Street, Weldon, whose funeral is on Monday 21<sup>st</sup> December at 11am in Our Lady's Church.

Richard ("Ricky") Devine, aged 69, late of Montrose Street, Corby, whose funeral is on Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> December at 10:00 am in Our Lady's Church.

Mary Ogston, aged 76, late of Butterwick Walk, Corby whose funeral is at 10am on 4<sup>th</sup> January 2021 at Kettering Crematorium

Barbara Levins, aged 81, late of Willow Brook Road, Corby, whose funeral is at 10:00 am on 5<sup>th</sup> January, in Our Lady's Church.

Margaret Bradley, aged 74, late of Tanfields Grove, whose funeral is at 10:00 am on 6<sup>th</sup> January in Our Lady's Church.

Kathleen Brodie, late of Ribblesdale Avenue, whose funeral is at St Brendan's Church.

Funerals are limited to 30 invited named guests. Please only attend if you are on the list; if not, you can watch live-streamed.

People have been asking about the link Covid vaccines have with abortion. Fr David has discussed this with Catholic doctors and looked at Church teaching, here is the information for you to make up your own mind.

There are three main vaccines purchased by the UK government, 'Pfizer' 'Moderna' and the 'Oxford AstraZenica' vaccines.

Pfizer and Moderna vaccines have **not** used aborted foetal cell lines in producing the vaccine, but they have been subsequently **tested** on abortion cell lines.

The Oxford AstraZeneca vaccine **does not contain** abortion cell lines but **has used** abortion cell lines in the technology developing the vaccine.

The Pfizer vaccine, which is more ethical is currently being used in the UK as the Oxford vaccine has yet to arrive.

What does the Church teach on this matter? In serious situations, such as vulnerable people being protected from a fatal disease, it is **permitted** that we use such vaccines. At the same time you may abstain. It is a matter for each individual to decide. Either way we must make our voice heard, to our local MP about the wrongs of medical science using abortion to it's advantage, when there are many alternatives available.

The Corby MP is Tom Pursglove  
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**First Holy Communion 2020** Today it is the turn of Liam , Lily and Victoria to receive Jesus for the first time during the 10:00 am Mass at Our Lady's and Ian, Michael and Evelyn during 11:30am Mass in Thrapston. Be sure to congratulate the children on their special day.

Baby Rohan was baptised during Mass at St John Ogilvie's today, many congratulations to him and his family.

**First Holy Communion 2021 (Our Lady's and St Johns)** Be sure to return your completed application forms to Maggie at the Parish Office: [ourlady.corby@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:ourlady.corby@yahoo.co.uk) The enrolment deadline has now passed, but one or two have yet to return their forms and pick up their yellow books (cost £8). Catechist Emma will live-stream/Zoom instruction sessions to the parents who will home-school their children by helping them to fill in the yellow book. These sessions will be continued on Saturday mornings at 10:30 am via churchservices.tv. or Zoom , Emma will send the link if Zoom is happening.

### **Confessions for Christmas**

**Saturday, 19<sup>th</sup> December** is our big day: 10:00-11:30 am at Thrapston, for those in East Northants.

2:00-4:00 pm at Our Lady's for those in Corby (NB Not 5:30 pm on that day)

**Sunday, 20<sup>th</sup> December:** 2:00-3:00 pm at Our Lady's and finally, **Monday, 21<sup>st</sup> December** at St Brendan's, Beanfield Avenue from 7:00 pm.

This gives everyone plenty of opportunity to receive the grace of the Sacrament of Forgiveness before Christmas (the best possible preparation for the Feastday). Please note, there are no later Confessions owing to the large number of Masses to be celebrated this year on Christmas Eve and Christmas Day. (See Below).

**Would You Like To Chat?** A female parishioner has kindly offered to be on the end of the phone, should anyone want a chat during these long dark days. Please drop us a line and we will put you in touch. Your priests are also available for a prayer.

**St Vincent de Paul Retiring Collection today at Thrapston.** Your chance to give to the local needy at this time of pronounced need.

**SingALonga Carols** On Wednesday, 23<sup>rd</sup> December at 6:30 pm, tune in via churchservices.tv for a live-streamed private Carol Service and sing as loudly as you can at home. This is the idea of the SVP in Thrapston and Oundle Parishes, and a good idea it is. SEE BELOW FOR CAROL CONCERT BOOKLET.

**This Vale of Tiers.** Covid Rules Apply. Please do your best not to socialise whilst at Mass. Outdoors, please respect the rule of six and observe social distancing at all times. Thank you.

**A Christmas Story.** Little Bobby O'Neill, aged only six, a Year 1 pupil in Our Lady's School, has just completed a sponsored silence at home. He wanted to donate half of his 'earnings' of £31, to Fr Michael and Fr David as he knows that we have not been able to have Mass or collections for the last weeks and months and is worried about us. What a thoughtful little boy. We grown-ups can learn a lot from little children.

PS To reassure you Bobby, your priests are hale and hearty.

**Religious Christmas Cards, and Candles** on still on sale, from Maggie and Kay in the Parish Office in Our Lady's Presbytery. Just pop in any weekday morning .( please wear a mask)

*May God Bless Us all,*

*Canon Michael, Fr David and Seminarian Olly*

# **Christmas Mass Times**

**No need to book. If a Mass becomes full, we will close the doors, asking you to come back to the next Mass.**

## **Thursday, 24<sup>th</sup> December CHRISTMAS EVE**

3:00 pm: Our Lady's	4:30 pm: Thrapston	6:30 pm: St John Ogilvie's
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## **Friday, 25<sup>th</sup> December CHRISTMAS DAY**

08:30 am: Our Lady's	09:30 am: Thrapston
10:00 am: Our Lady's	11:00 am: Thrapston

## **Saturday, 26<sup>th</sup> December**

NB No Confessions

6:30 pm: Our Lady's

## **Sunday, 27<sup>th</sup> December**

08:30 am: Our Lady's	09:30 am: Thrapston	5:00 pm: St John Ogilvie's
10:00 am: Our Lady's	11:30 am: Thrapston	

Mass Intention This Week

Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> December

5.30pm Our Lady's: Confessions

6.30pm Our Lady's: Mass: John Connachie (A) - Bridget Killeen RIP

Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> December

8:30 am: Our Lady's: Mass: Paddy McCann - Ellie Cleary RIP

9:30 am: Thrapston: Mass: Jack Ashmead (Int)

10:00 am Our Lady's: Mass: Linda Clement (A) - Nell & Patrick O'Dea RIP -

And Baby Madison Grace Weerasinghe RIP

11.30 am Thrapston: Mass: Jack Purdham RIP

5:00 pm St John Ogilvie's: Peter Gribben RIP

Monday: Private Mass: Private Mass: Marie Marshall (Sick Int)

Tuesday: Our Lady's: 09:30 am Mass: Linda Clement (Int) - Pamela Underwood (A)

Wednesday Our Lady's: 09:30 am Mass: Peggy Cleary (Int) - Josephine & John McCahill RIP

Thursday Christmas Eve

Our Lady's: 3:00 pm Mass: Alex McCann (A) - Rev Gerard Greaves RIP

4:30 pm Mass: Mary & Michael Friel RIP

8:00 pm Mass: Jack Scales RIP - John Broad RIP - Sadie & Bill McStay RIP

Thrapston: 4:30 pm Mass: Mary & Patrick Herity RIP

6:00 pm Mass: Helena & Don Connolly (Int)

St John Ogilvie's: 6:30 pm Mass: Steve McIlvenny RIP - Rae Camerson (A)

8:00 pm Mass: Eve Lyons RIP

Friday Christmas Day

Our Lady's Mass: 08:30 am Mass: Begley & Mack Families (Int)

Mass: 10:00 am Gollogly & Jorden Families (RIP) - Cheatham & Morrison Families

Saturday: Our Lady's Mass: Bill, Annie & William Currie RIP - Frank Maguire (A)

Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> December

8:30 am Our Lady's Mass: Cyril Curran RIP - Joe McClusky RIP)

9:30 am Thrapston Mass: Private Intention

10:00 am Our Lady's Mass: Patrick, Agnes & Amos McDaid RIP - Patsy Currie RIP

11.30 am Thrapston Mass: James Daffy RIP

5:00 pm St John Ogilvie's Mass: Barbara Levins RIP

Carol Concert December 23<sup>rd</sup> 6.30pm [www.churchservices.tv/corby/ourlady](http://www.churchservices.tv/corby/ourlady) of walsingham

### **While shepherds watch**

their flocks by night ,all seated on the ground, the angel of the lord came down,  
and glory shone around,

“Fear not” said he for mighty dread had seized their troubled mind, glad tidings of great joy I bring to you  
and all mankind.

To you in David’s town this day is born of David’s blood  
a saviour who is Christ the Lord and this shall be his sign:

The heavenly babe you there shall find to human view displayed,  
all simply wrapped in swaddling clothes and in a manger laid .

All glory be to God on high and to the earth be peace ,to those on whom his favour rests and to the earth be  
peace.

### **The First Nowell**

The first “Nowell” the angels did say  
Was to certain poor shepherds in fields as they lay;  
In fields where they lay keeping their sheep,  
On a cold winter’s night that was so deep.

Nowell! Nowell! Nowell! Nowell!  
Born is the King of Israel!

They looked up and saw a star  
Shining in the east, beyond them far;  
And to the earth it gave great light, And so it continued both day and night.

Nowell! Nowell! Nowell! Nowell!  
Born is the King of Israel!

And by the light of that same star  
Three wise men came from country far;  
To seek for a King was their intent,  
And to follow the star wherever it went.

Nowell! Nowell! Nowell! Nowell!  
Born is the King of Israel!

This star drew nigh to the northwest:  
O’er Bethlehem it took its rest;  
And there it did both stop and stay,  
Right over the place where Jesus lay.

Nowell! Nowell! Nowell! Nowell!  
Born is the King of Israel!

Then entered in those wise men three,  
Full reverently upon their knee,  
And offered there, in his presence,  
Their gold and myrrh, and frankincense

Nowell! Nowell! Nowell! Nowell!  
Born is the King of Israel!

Then let us all with one accord  
Sing praises to our heavenly Lord  
That hath made heaven and earth of nought,  
And with His blood mankind hath bought.

Nowell! Nowell! Nowell! Nowell!  
Born is the King of Israel!

**In the bleak midwinter**, frosty wind made moan, earth stood hard as iron, water like a stone;  
snow had fallen, snow on snow, snow on snow,  
in the bleak midwinter, long ago.

2. Our God, heaven cannot hold him, nor earth sustain; heaven and earth shall flee away when he comes to reign.

In the bleak midwinter a stable place sufficed  
the Lord God Almighty, Jesus Christ.

3. What can I give him, poor as I am?

If I were a shepherd, I would bring a lamb; if I were a Wise Man, I would do my part;  
yet what I can I give him: give him my heart.

**O little town of Bethlehem,**  
how still we see thee lie;  
above thy deep and dreamless sleep, the silent stars go by.  
Yet in the dark streets shineth  
the everlasting light; the hopes and fears of all the years  
are met in thee tonight.

2. O morning stars together,  
proclaim the holy birth,  
and praises sing to God the king,  
and peace to men on earth!  
For Christ is born of Mary,  
and gathered all above,  
while mortals sleep, the angels keep their watch of wondering love

3. How silently, how silently,  
the wondrous gift is given;  
so, God imparts to human hearts  
the blessings of his heaven.  
No ear may hear his coming,  
but in this world of sin,  
where meek souls will receive him, still the dear Christ enters in  
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4. O holy Child of Bethlehem,  
descend to us, we pray;  
cast out our sin, and enter in,  
be born in us today.  
We hear the Christmas angels  
the great glad tidings tell;  
o come to us, abide with us,  
our Lord Emmanuel!

**Ding dong !merrily on high**

In heaven the bells are ringing:

Ding dong! verily the sky

Is risen with Angel singing.

Gloria,

Hosanna in excelsis!

E'en so here below, below,

Let steeple bells be swungen,

And "Io, io, io!"

By priest and people be sungen.

Gloria,

Hosanna in excelsis!

Pray you, dutifully prime

Your matin chime, ye ringers;

May you beautifully rime

Your evetime song, ye singers.

Gloria,

Hosanna in excelsis!

**Once in royal David's city**

stood a lowly cattle shed,

where a mother laid her baby

in a manger for his bed;

Mary, was that mother mild,

Jesus Christ, her little child.

2. He came down to earth from heaven

who is God and Lord of all,

and his shelter was a stable,

and his cradle was a stall.

With the poor, the meek and lowly lived on earth our Saviour holy.

3. And he is our childhood's pattern; day by day, like us he grew;

he was little, weak, and helpless,

tears and smiles like us he knew;

and he feeleth for our sadness,

and he shareth in our gladness.

4. And our eyes at last shall see him, through his own redeeming love; for that child so dear and gentle is our Lord in heaven above; and he leads his children onto the place where he is gone.

**See Amid the winter's snow**

Born for us on earth below,  
See the tender Lamb appears,  
Promised from eternal years.

**Chorus**

Hail, thou ever-blessed morn!  
Hail, redemption's happy dawn!  
Sing through all Jerusalem,  
Christ is born in Bethlehem.

2. Lo, within a manger lies  
He who built the starry skies;  
He, who throned in height sublime  
Sits amid the cherubim. **Chorus**

3. Say, ye holy shepherds, say  
What your joyful news today;  
Wherefore have ye left your sheep  
On the lonely mountain steep? **Chorus**

4. "As we watched at dead of night,  
Lo, we saw a wondrous light;<sup>1</sup>  
Angels singing peace on earth  
Told us of the Saviour's birth". **Chorus**

5. Sacred infant, all divine,  
What a tender love was Thine,  
Thus to come from highest bliss  
Down to such a world as this. **Chorus**

6. Teach, O teach us, Holy Child,  
By Thy Face so meek and mild,  
Teach us to resemble Thee,  
In Thy Sweet humility! **Chorus**

**Silent night, holy night,**

all is calm, all is bright  
round yon virgin  
mother and child.

Holy infant, so tender and mild,  
sleep in heavenly peace,  
sleep in heavenly peace.

2. Silent night, holy night,  
shepherds quake at the sight;  
glories stream from heaven afar,  
heavenly hosts sing Alleluia!  
Christ the Saviour is born,  
Christ the Saviour is born!

3. Silent night, holy night,  
Son of God, love's pure light;  
radiant beams from thy holy face  
with the dawn of redeeming grace,  
Jesus, Lord, at thy birth,  
Jesus, Lord, at thy birth.

**1. Away in a manger**, no crib for a bed, the little Lord Jesus laid down his sweet head.  
The stars in the sky looked down where he lay, the little Lord Jesus, asleep on the hay.

2. The cattle are lowing, the baby awakes, but little Lord Jesus, no crying he makes;

3 I love thee, Lord Jesus, look down from the sky and stay by my bed until morning is nigh.

3. Be near me, Lord Jesus, I ask thee to stay  
close by me forever, and love me, I pray;  
bless all the dear children in thy tender care,  
and fit us for heaven to live with thee there.

**O Come, all ye faithful,**

Joyful and triumphant!

O come ye, O come ye to Bethlehem;

Come and behold him

Born the King of Angels:

O come, let us adore Him,

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Christ the Lord.

God of God,

Light of Light,

Lo, he abhors not the Virgin's womb;

Very God,

Begotten, not created:

Refrain

Sing, choirs of angels,

Sing in exultation,

Sing, all ye citizens of Heaven above!

Glory to God

In the highest:

Refrain

Yea, Lord, we greet thee,

Born this happy morning;

Jesus, to thee be glory given!

Word of the Father,

Now in flesh appearing!

Refrain

**Hark! the herald angels sing,**  
"Glory to the new born King,  
peace on earth, and mercy mild,  
God and sinners reconciled!"  
Joyful, all ye nations rise,  
join the triumph of the skies;  
with the' angelic host proclaim,  
"Christ is born in Bethlehem!"  
Hark! the herald angels sing,  
"Glory to the new born King!"

2. Christ, by highest heaven adored;  
Christ, the everlasting Lord;  
late in time behold him come,  
offspring of a virgin's womb.  
Veiled in flesh the Godhead see;  
hail the' incarnate Deity,  
pleased with us in flesh to dwell,  
Jesus, our Emmanuel.  
Hark! the herald angels sing,  
"Glory to the new born King!"

3. Hail the heaven-born Prince of Peace!  
Hail the Sun of Righteousness!  
Light and life to all he brings,  
risen with healing in his wings.  
Mild he lays his glory by,  
born that we no more may die,  
born to raise us from the earth,  
born to give us second birth.  
Hark! the herald angels sing,  
"Glory to the new born King!"