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Sunday 25th December 2022

Christmas Day

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Please ring if you have any concerns

A Blessed Christmas Day to us all!

The Collection Today at Mass is your annual Christmas gift to your priests. Your offering will be divided 50-50 between Canon Michael and Fr Prasad, bearing in mind HMRC will take their usual 20% as they class it as taxable income. The Christmas and Easter collections for our priests are the main source of their income for the year. Thank you for your generosity to the priests.

Live Stream Statistics

Interesting reading; the stats show how Our Lady's Corby has become an international phenomenon, with almost 50,000 people tuning in to our Masses from all over the world. Current year totals: number of viewers: 49,252; number of unique viewers: 27,566; total time viewed: 16,394 hours – viewers from 79 countries, the majority of viewers coming from the United Kingdom followed by United States, then Ireland, India, Poland, Spain, Canada, Australia, Italy; also people from Brazil, Iceland, Haiti, Cabo Verde and even from Ukraine and Russia have been watching us. Our thanks to the generous parishioner who donated the camera system a couple of years ago.

“Thank You” Fr Prasad and Canon Michael are very grateful for all your cards, gifts and kind thought. May God bless your Christmas.

Pope John School Reunion – Saturday, 11th February 2023

If you left Pope John School from 1970 to 1979 you are most welcome to join everyone for a school reunion. Partners are welcome too. Spend an evening catching up with your old school chums. Enjoy a buffet in our very own exclusive venue at the Holiday Inn in Corby. There is free parking, an exclusive bar and their own private entrance into the Manor Sweet Venue all for £22 per person on a first come, first served basis. All bookings must be paid by the 14th January 2023, so don't delay and book your place now. Full details on how to book and pay at: www.popejohnreunion.uk

New Year's Eve Holy Half-Hour

Spend time in church to give thanks to God for the year just ended and to pray for his blessing in the next. Saturday, 31st December 5:45 – 6:15 pm, just prior to the 06:30 pm evening Vigil Mass.

New Yellow Mass Books

Please continue to use these books to follow the Mass, especially the readings. Please leave the books behind you after Mass on the end of the pews. Again, we are grateful to the kind person for donating these books for the use of parishioners whilst in church. Please note they are not to be taken home.

No Morning Mass on Tuesday, 27th December owing to clergy's Christmas leave, in addition to their usual day off on Monday.

Giving Tree

Thank you for your wonderful generosity over the last couple of weeks, as you have taken your tags from the tree and returned the items as a gift to the local needy. Your gifts were distributed via Our Lady's School and parish to families who will find them of great help over the coming weeks. Also, Baby Basics are grateful for your delivery of items for babies and mothers. This is the season of goodwill to all men and women. Thank you for your generosity.

Fr Prasad was recently visited by his Superior General who came over to see how the MSFS priests are getting on in their parishes. All went very well. We have seven MSFS priests (Missionaries of St Francis de Sales) working in our Diocese and we are very grateful to them. In total we have in our Diocese of Northampton 34 priests from other Dioceses and religious orders working in our 70 parishes. Without them we would struggle to keep our churches open, so we are very grateful to them all.

Diocesan Directory 2023

The new Directory is out now. It is full of interesting information about our Diocese of Northampton. With a photograph of a smiling Fr Jithu James on the cover, taken on the day of his ordination earlier this year, along with a profile of the ever-smiling Ollie, who was here on his seminarian placements.

Feast of the Wise Men 2023

Do not forget that the celebration of the Epiphany has been reinstated to its proper date, 6th January. It is a Holyday of Obligation and falls on a Friday. Mass times next week.

May They Rest in Peace

Christine "Chris" Colgan, aged 88, late of Brandenburg Road, whose funeral is on Thursday, 5th January at 11:00 am at Our Lady's.

Peter Mulligan, late of Weldon, whose funeral is on Tuesday, 17th January at 11:00 am.

Thomas Mason, aged 80, late of Cedar Court, whose funeral is on Thursday 19th January at 11:00 am.

Peggy Lappin, aged 82, late of Argyle Street, whose funeral is on Friday, 27th January at 11:00 am.

Noel Turner, aged 66, late of Rowlett Road, whose funeral is on Friday 20th January at 10am.

Jim Platt, late of Woodnewton, former Head Teacher at Our Lady & Pope John School, whose funeral will be in The Most Holy Name of Jesus RC Church Oundle on Thursday 19th January at 11am.

Emmie Davey, late of Mill Close Great Oakley who died on Thursday morning whose funeral arrangements are yet to be finalised.

Please remember all their grieving families in your prayers.

Knights of St Columba Posters

Please take your free Christmas poster and place it in your window.

Christmas Flowers and Crib

The churches are adorned with beautiful floral displays for Christmas. If you wish to contribute towards the cost, please place your donation in the slot in the porch. Meanwhile, please pay a visit to the crib and pray for peace

in the world. All crib offerings will go to charity.

Live Streaming

Available via church services.tv, Our Lady's Church is live streamed twenty-four hours a day and can be viewed online. It is important that everyone is aware of this. The front of the church, which includes the altar and the first five pews are in view. Please keep to the back of the church if you do not wish to appear on camera.

Next Sunday, 1st January 2023 is the Feast of Mary, Mother of God (readers take special note). Our usual Mass routine will apply. This Friday we will celebrate the Feast of the Holy Family. Sunday, 8th January will be the Baptism of the Lord, which brings Christmas season to a close.

Please take your Christmas Prayer Card with you after Mass.

A child is born for us today, he is Christ the Lord

*Wishing you all a Blessed Christmas,
Canon Michael and Fr Prasad*

MASS TIMES FOR THIS WEEK

Saturday 24th December

Our Lady's 09:30am Mass (not a Mass of Christmas) : Jim Treacy RIP
10:00 am Confessions – 10.30am

Christmastide

Our Lady's 4:00 pm Children's Vigil Mass

NB please do not attend this Mass if you are socially distancing as it tends to get crowded:

Deceased members of Friel & Symes Families / Sheila Mills RIP

St John Ogilvie's Church: 6:00 pm Vigil Mass: Stephen McIlvenny RIP

Our Lady's: 8.30pm Vigil Mass with carols from 8:00 pm: Norah O'Leary (A) / Maureen Kitson RIP

Sunday, 25th December

Our Lady's 08:30am Mass: Sadie Chalmers RIP / George (Podger) Chalmers RIP

Our Lady's 10:30am Mass: Patrick, Agnes & Amos McDaid RIP / Bridie Norton RIP

No Evening Mass today

Monday and Tuesday No Morning Masses

Wednesday 28th December

Our Lady's 09:30am Mass: Frank Maguire (10th A) / May Hughes (A)

Thursday 29th December

Our Lady's 09:30am Mass: Josephine, John & Laurence McCahill RIP / Jamie Buckley RIP

Friday 30th December

St John Ogilvie's 09:30am Mass: Pasquale & Carolina Spinelli RIP

Confessions upon request immediately after Mass

Saturday, 31st December (Mary Mother of God Feastday)

Our Lady's 09:30am Mass: Liam McDevitt (Int) / Jim Treacy RIP

Confessions upon request immediately after

Mass 5:45 – 6:15 pm *Holy Half Hour - Time for Adoration and Thanksgiving*

6:30 pm Vigil Mass: Martin & Bernie Dutton (Int)/Bill, Annie, Patsy & William Currie RIP

Our Lady's Sunday 1st January

08:30 am Mass: Trevor Garner RIP / William Kitson {int}

10:00 am Mass: Sadie Chalmers (1st A) / Amos McDaid RIP

St John Ogilvie's

5:00 pm Mass: Margaret Geary RIP / Mary & Rod (Int)