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The shepherds went in haste and found Mary and Joseph and the Infant lying in a manger. Luke 2:16

THE SEASON OF CHRISTMAS

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and **St John Ogilvie**, Corby

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The 2025 Jubilee Year, called *Pilgrims of Hope*, started in Rome on 24th December!
More details will follow in future newsletters.

Liturgies this week: St John Ogilvie Church

Sun., 29th December: **THE HOLY FAMILY**
Parish Mass Book: Page 105
5:00pm MASS
Intention: Maggie & Alex McCann, RIP (A)

Fri., 3rd January: *The Most Holy Name of Jesus*
9:05am Holy Rosary
9:30am MASS
Intention: Dave McArthur, RIP
Intention: Richard Mason, RIP
10:00am Sacrament of Confession

Sun., 5th January: **THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD**
Parish Mass Book: Page 115
5:00pm MASS
Intention: Shirley Loughlin, RIP (2nd A)

Liturgies this week: Our Lady of Walsingham Church

Sun., 29th December: **THE HOLY FAMILY**
Parish Mass Book: Page 105
VIGIL MASS OF SUNDAY
Bill, Annie, Patsy & William Currie, RIP (A)

5:30pm MASS
Intention: Frank Maguire, RIP
8:30am MASS
Intention: pro populo
10:00am MASS
Intention: Mary Mack, RIP (1st A)

Mon., 30th December: *Christmas Octave - Day Six*
9:30am MASS
Intention: McCann family members, RIP
Intention: Mary Brown, Intention

Tues., 31st December: *Christmas Octave - Day Seven*
9:00am Holy Rosary
9:30am MASS
Intention: Larry Ryan Fernandez, Healing & Thanksgiving Intention
Intention: Poinsettia plant dedications

Wed., 1st January: **Mary, The Holy Mother of God**
Parish Mass Book: Page 109
9:00am Holy Rosary
9:30am MASS
Intention: John and Norah O'Leary, RIP
Intention: Amos McDaid, RIP

Thu., 2nd January: *Ss Basil and Gregory*
9:30am MASS
Intention: Jim Treacy, RIP (4th A)
Intention: Richard Mason, (1st A)

Sat., 4th January: *Of Christmastide*
9:30am MASS
Intention: Mahon family intention
Intention: Luba Capps: 50th Birthday int.
10:00am Exposition, Confession & Rosary
4:30pm ✠ Blessing of Epiphany Water

Sun., 5th January: **THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD**
Parish Mass Book: P. 114/115
VIGIL MASS OF SUNDAY
Anna Warner, RIP (A)
Intention: pro populo
5:30pm MASS
Intention: Frances McDevitt, RIP (A)
Intention: Martina Colby: Birthday int.
10:00am MASS
Intention: Frank Maguire, RIP (A) & Catherine Duncan, RIP (A)

Requiescat in Pace

Please pray for the repose of the soul of:

Agnes McNamee, whose Funeral will take place in Our Lady of Walsingham Church on 14th January at 11am.

James Hopkins, whose Funeral will take place in Our Lady of Walsingham Church on 15th January at 11am.

Ellen Henderson, whose Funeral will take place in Our Lady of Walsingham Church on 17th January at 11am.

Ian Garvey, whose Funeral details are to follow.



The situation for **Christians in the Holy Land** is critical and we face the possibility of them leaving the birth-place of our Catholic Faith. Financial offerings made at the Christmas Crib are for "Friends of the Holy Land".

DONA (Giving) Machine:

We are currently unable to receive payments on the DONA machine at Our Lady of Walsingham Church; we ask you to consider making your donation in cash or by setting up a Standing Order via the Parish Office.

Poinsettia for Christmas:

You can still donate a poinsettia, to honour a departed loved one to decorate our two Churches; please attach a label to the plant with your loved one's name on.

→ Walsingham Rosary Group:

Venue: Our Lady of Walsingham Church.

- **8th January:** Rosary at 10:00am in the Holy House followed by refreshments in the server's sacristy.

Holy Scriptures at Mass (the new lectionary):

- The First, and Second Reading if there is one, ends with: "The word of the Lord. Thanks be to God."
- The reader won't say: "The response to the Psalm is..." but will say the response and we repeat it.
- At the Gospel the reader will not say: "The Gospel Acclamation" or "We stand for the Gospel".

The seven-day lamp at the statue of Saint Joseph the Worker burns daily in prayer for:

Margaret Callaghan, Intention

The seven-day lamp at the statue of Our Lady of Grace burns daily in prayer for:

Delia Lavelle, RIP

The seven-day lamp at the statue of Our Lady of Walsingham burns daily in prayer for:

Mary Mack, RIP - First Anniversary

Thank you! Fr Christopher and Fr Wayne offer their sincere appreciation for the great generosity that was shown to them via the Christmas Day collections and extend their earnest gratitude for the many cards and gifts they received in celebration of Jesus' Nativity.

Blessed chalk will be available after each Epiphany Mass so that we might bless our homes in the New Year of Our Lord 2025. The blessed chalk is taken home and is used to mark the year and the initials of the three Magi (i.e. **20 + C + M + B + 25**) over the main door of our home to remind all who enter and leave that they must be truly ready to leave everything and follow Christ. This is a beautiful act of faith and often draws questions from the visitors to our homes. The house blessing prayer will be in the next newsletter.

Thank you to all who decorated our churches for Christmas and to those who assisted at the Masses.

New Year's Eve/Day Indulgence:

To obtain the indulgence the following must be met:

1. Reception of Confession and Holy Communion within a brief time (that is, about twenty days).
2. Perform the prescribed good work, that is, offer the: *Te Deum* on New Year's Eve and the *Veni Creator Spiritus* on New Year's Day.
3. Pray for the Pope: 1 x Our Father and 1 x Hail Mary.
4. Be detached from sin, even venial sin.

NB: See the "indulgence" leaflet in Church for details.

Tues., 31st December & Wed., 1st January:

Venue: Our Lady of Walsingham Church.

9:00am Holy Rosary

9:30am **HOLY MASS**

After Mass on New Year's Eve: *Te Deum*

After Mass on New Year's Day: *Veni Creator Spiritus*

✦ Solemn Blessing of 2025 Epiphany Water:

Epiphany Water, which is blessed only on the Vigil of the Epiphany with the permission of the Bishop, is the most potent form of Holy Water and is sought after by exorcists. A bottle of Epiphany Water will be offered to all who participate in this intense liturgy; but please do not drink it. Do join us on **Saturday, 4th January** at **4:30pm** in **Our Lady of Walsingham Church**.

Copies of the 2025 diocesan calendar are available in the porch for £10; see how many Priests you know!



With our prayers in
this joyous season
of Christmas,
Fr Christopher
& **Fr Wayne**