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**The Month of December is devoted to The Immaculate Conception**



**FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT**  
**Sunday 24th December 2023 Psalter Week 4**



**Saturday Totley**

5.00 p.m. People of the Parish

**Sunday - Meadowhead**

10.00 a.m. Danny Grant



**THE SEASON OF CHRISTMAS**



*Christmas Eve*

*Mass with Children's Nativity*

5.00 p.m. Muriel Coverley

9.30 p.m. Readings and Carols

10.00 p.m. Susan & Mary Willcock

*Christmas Day*

9.00 a.m. Totley People of the Parish

10.00 a.m. John Phelan Jnr

Tuesday M/Head *ST STEPHEN, DEACON,  
PROTOMARTYR*

10.00 a.m. Kath Jarman

Wednesday *ST JOHN, APOSTLE,  
EVANGELIST*

10.00 a.m. James Moffett

Thursday Totley *THE HOLY INNOCENTS*

10.00 a.m. Gerry Penfold

Friday *ST THOMAS OF  
CANTERBURY, MARTYR,  
PATRONAL SAINT*

Saturday *NO MORNING MASS*



**SEASON OF CHRISTMAS**



*Next week's Masses - The Holy Family*

*Saturday - Totley*

5.00 p.m. People of the Parish

*Sunday - Meadowhead*

9.15 a.m. Liz Grant

11.15 a.m. McCaskill Family

*Please Pray for: Our sick: David Gage,  
Helen Aulton, Anne Grayson, Stephen  
Bingley, Pauline Souflas, Fred Sherwood,  
Anne McPhee, Teddy Howes, Elizabeth  
Maltby and Fr Michael O'Connor.  
Recently dead: Margaret Mitchell,  
(formerly of this parish)*



*FOR UNTO US A CHILD  
IS BORN, FOR UNTO US A  
A SON IS GIVEN*


Registered Charity No 512021




**Christmas Masses**

<b>Sunday, 24th December</b>	<b>5.00pm Mass with Children's Nativity, Meadowhead</b>	
<b>Carols and Readings</b>	<b>9.30pm</b>	
<b>Sunday, 24th December</b>	<b>10.00pm</b>	<b>Night Mass</b>
<b>of Christmas, Meadowhead</b>		
<b>Monday, 25th December</b>	<b>9.00am</b>	<b>Totley</b>
<b>Monday, 25th December</b>	<b>10.00am</b>	<b>Meadowhead</b>
<b>Tuesday, St Stephen's Day</b>	<b>10.00am</b>	<b>Meadowhead</b>


*There will be no Exposition on Saturday 30th.*



**Advent Offertory Collections**




Thank you for all your generous offerings over the past weeks.




**4th Sunday (24th) Advent Collection of Money for SOCIETY for the PROTECTION of UNBORN CHILDREN**

**Memory Stars** Once again our Christmas Trees are to be Memory Trees. You will be able to write your message on stars in representation of your memories of loved ones. Please leave your stars in the appropriate basket and these will then be hung on the trees later. Your intentions will be remembered at all Masses throughout Christmastide. The stars are available for £1 and proceeds go to **Bethlehem Care and Hospice Trust.**



**Christmas Offerings Please return** your envelopes over the next two weeks. This goes directly to the clergy as a thank you to them for their work in the past year.



**GUTE WEIHNACHT**

**FELICES NAVIDADES**

**Any help tidying up the gardens for Christmas** would be much appreciated. Please help! Thank you!



**Children's Liturgy during the festive period.**

**Sunday 24th** - 10am Mass - No session because we will be busy getting ready for the...  
**5pm Christmas Eve Nativity Mass**  
**Please come and join us** for this wonderful celebration to start your Christmas festivities! Children (of all ages!) are encouraged to come dressed up as animals, shepherds or angels and will be invited to join in with the telling of the Nativity story. With joyful carols (and probably just a little bit of beautiful chaos) this is a truly family friendly service to get your Christmas off to a cracking start.

**Sunday 31st** December - No Children's Liturgy session  
**Sunday 7th** January (Epiphany) - Children's Liturgy sessions resume at the 9.15am Mass.







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# Happy Christmas

## Crib Offerings



Our Crib offerings this year will go to the Hallam Bethlehem Fund to support St Martha's Centre for the elderly in Bethlehem.

Thanks to all those who helped prepare the church for Christmas in any way - cleaning, decorating, flower arranging, serving, singing and all other ministries. It is very much appreciated.

## BUONNATALE

## Boas Festas

**Christmas** is such a great feast that, like Easter, it has an octave, that is, the feast is prolonged for eight days. These eight day are each treated as though it were still Christmas itself. Consequently, the Friday within the Christmas Octave, **is NOT** a day of abstinence or penance as it would be a contradiction to do penance on a day of such celebration. **You may, therefore, eat meat on that day.**



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Prayer of the Week

**THE ANGELUS**

v. The angel of the Lord declared unto Mary.

r. And she conceived by the Holy Spirit.

**Hail Mary...**

v. Behold the handmaid of the Lord.

r. Be it done unto me according to thy word.

**Hail Mary...**

v. And the Word was made flesh.

r. And dwelt amongst us.

**Hail Mary... Amen.**

Let us pray,

Pour forth we beseech thee, O Lord, thy grace into our hearts, that we to whom the incarnation of Christ thy Son was made known by the message of an angel, may by his passion and cross, be brought to the glory of His resurrection. Through Christ our Lord.

**This week's ministries for 23/24 December**

**Readers:**

5.00 p.m. H Simmerson, D Fletcher

10.00 a.m. J Bourne, J-J Carter

**Communion:**

5.00 p.m. V Coomer, C Udall

10.00 a.m. E Williamson, S Jones, P Corkell

*This Week's Ministries for 23/24 December*



*The Season of Christmas*



*Ministries for Christmas Eve and Christmas Day*

<i>Readers</i>	<i>5.00 p.m.</i>	<i>H Simmerson, C Farragher</i>
	<i>10.00 p.m.</i>	<i>J Fojut, J-J Carter</i>
	<i>9.00 a.m. Totley</i>	<i>D Fletcher, V Coomer</i>
	<i>10.00 a.m.</i>	<i>K Corker, S Corker</i>
<i>Communion</i>	<i>5.00 p.m.</i>	<i>R Gasser, J Brook, K O'Brien</i>
	<i>10.00 p.m.</i>	<i>S Jones, H Grady, P Or Kam Fat</i>
	<i>9.00 a.m. Totley</i>	<i>K Durkin, J Brook</i>
	<i>10.00 a.m.</i>	<i>C Parsons, M Richardson, N Parsons</i>
<i>Welcomers</i>	<i>5.00 p.m.</i>	<i>H Stones</i>
	<i>10.00 p.m.</i>	<i>S Jones</i>
	<i>10.00 a.m.</i>	<i>N Parsons</i>

*Next Week's Ministries 30/31 December 2023*

<i>Readers</i>	<i>5.00 p.m.</i>	<i>V Coomer, G Higgins</i>
	<i>9.15 a.m.</i>	<i>C Perryman, F Green</i>
	<i>11.15 a.m.</i>	<i>J-J Carter, M Richardson</i>
<i>Communion</i>	<i>5.00 p.m.</i>	<i>C Udall, S Davey</i>
	<i>9.15 a.m.</i>	<i>R Portaluri, C Parsons, N Parsons</i>
	<i>11.15 a.m.</i>	<i>H Stones, S Campos, J McNally</i>
<i>Welcomers</i>	<i>9.15 a.m.</i>	<i>Volunteers needed</i>
	<i>11.15 a.m.</i>	<i>S Campos, H Stones</i>

