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The Month of January is devoted to The Holy Name of Jesus

**The Second Sunday after Christmas (C)
Sunday, 2 January 2022 Psalter Week 2**



THE SEASON OF CHRISTMAS



Saturday (Totley)

5.00 p.m. Angela McKinney

Sunday

9.15 a.m. People of the Parish

11.15 a.m. The Byrne Family

Monday The Most Holy Name of Jesus

No Mass

Tuesday (Totley) Christmastide Feria

10.00 a.m. Teresa Deehan

Wednesday Christmastide Feria

10.00 a.m. Claire Young

Thursday THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

10.00 a.m. Mary and Patrick Murphy

Friday St Raymond of Penyfort, priest

10.00am Patsy Gallagher

Saturday Christmastide Feria

No Mass

Next week's Masses

Saturday (Totley)

5.00 pm. Tom Foley

Sunday (Meadowhead)

9.15 a.m. People of the Parish

11.15 a.m. Angela McKinney



Please Pray for: Our sick: Robert Batley, Alison Bingley Tom Bennett, Pauline Souflas, Teddy Howes, Katie Glackin and David Gage.

Lately dead: Danny Grant, Neville Garratt and Edward Keefe. RIP



Jesus, receiver of the wise men and their gifts, help us to follow the light in the midst of our dark world. Fix our eyes and hearts on your light, that we might be bearers of that light to all those who walk in the dark. *Amen.*



HAPPY NEW YEAR!



"The light of Christ is so clear and strong that it makes the language of the cosmos and of the Scriptures intelligible, so that all those who, like the Magi, are open to the truth can recognize it and join in contemplating the Savior of the world."
- Pope Emeritus Benedict XVI

The Twelfth Day of Christmas:
Feast of the Epiphany of the Lord



There is neither Jew nor Greek, there is neither slave nor free person, there is not male and female; for you are all one in Christ Jesus.

Galatians 3 : 28

Father Stephen would like to wish everyone a very Happy New Year! He'd like to thank you for the very kind and generous gifts he has received over Christmas.

*He'd also like to thank everyone who has worked so hard over the year to keep the church going smoothly, especially; the stewards, electrical /boiler upkeep, gardeners, catechists, church cleaners, musicians, flower arrangers, the Finance Committee, the Premises Committee, Sacristans, counters, computers, secretary, all those who helped with the preparation of the church for Christmas and to all the parishioners.. It is all very much appreciated. **THANK YOU!***

An Invitation to respond to Pope Francis



"I dream of a 'missionary option', that is, a missionary impulse capable of transforming everything, so that the Church's customs, ways of doing things, times and schedules, language and structures can be suitably channelled for the evangelization of today's world rather than for her self-preservation" Pope Francis (Evangelii Gaudium n.27).



What do we need to transform in our parish community? We are approaching the final phases of the synod process within the Diocese with only 9 weeks to submit our responses after the Christmas Holiday. Make sure that your voice is heard by either joining the discussion in our parish or going along to one of the open meetings in either Wickersley on 22 January or Sheffield on 5 February 2022 10:00-12:30. Book on Eventbrite. Additionally, make sure you submit your response in the questionnaire included with the Christmas issue of the Hallam News or via the Synod pages of the Diocesan Website www.hallam-diocese/synod. The deadline for responses is 7 March 2022.

The next Parish Outreach meeting will be different! We are taking the time to focus only on the Synod discussion. And we would welcome anyone to join us to hear a wider range of views, experiences and reflections. So please contact [david.angela.wood@gmail.com](mailto: david.angela.wood@gmail.com) for the Zoom link. It will be held at 7.30pm on Monday 10th January. Do please join in this important response to Pope Francis' invitation.

THE OUTREACH "GIVE TO LIVE" CAMPAIGNS: There are now two ways that you can choose to make a regular monthly contribution to Outreach to help us support our charitable partners here in Sheffield and overseas. We will be very grateful if you choose to help using one of the options - and even more grateful if you support us using both options!

The Give to Live Cash Collection has now restarted. You can save up your loose change and leave it in the bag on the Offertory Table on the first weekend of the month. Last month's Give to Live raised £234. Thank you!



 We are also resuming the regular practical offertory of tinned tuna and meat, particularly ham, for St Wilfrid's Centre. So today, Sunday, 2nd January, is the day for both these collections. Thank you for all your generous contributions.



Ring Out, Wild Bells (from In Memoriam)
By Lord Alfred Tennyson

*Ring out, wild bells, to the wild sky,
The flying cloud, the frosty light:
The year is dying in the night;
Ring out, wild bells, and let him die.
Ring out the old, ring in the new,
Ring, happy bells, across the snow:
The year is going, let him go;
Ring out the false, ring in the true.
Ring out the grief that saps the mind
For those that here we see no more;
Ring out the feud of rich and poor,
Ring in redress to all mankind.
Ring out a slowly dying cause,
And ancient forms of party strife;
Ring in the nobler modes of life,
With sweeter manners, purer laws.
Ring out the want, the care, the sin,
The faithless coldness of the times;
Ring out, ring out my mournful rhymes
But ring the fuller minstrel in.
Ring out false pride in place and blood,
The civic slander and the spite;
Ring in the love of truth and right,
Ring in the common love of good.
Ring out old shapes of foul disease;
Ring out the narrowing lust of gold;
Ring out the thousand wars of old,
Ring in the thousand years of peace.
Ring in the valiant man and free,
The larger heart, the kindlier hand;
Ring out the darkness of the land,
Ring in the Christ that is to be.*

Does anyone know the whereabouts of a cardboard box containing home-made candles left over from the Outreach pop-up sales? Neither of the ladies running the stall took them home after the event, so presumably they are either still stored somewhere at OLST or have been disposed of. I'd appreciate any information about this. Thank you, Claire Parsons.



Have you made a New Year's Resolution to keep (get!) fit and/or do more for your local community? Here's a chance to kill several birds with one stone! Why not join the 2nd Saturday Gardeners at 10am next Saturday, 8th January, at OLST? You will be very welcome - then or any time you can spare to tidy up the gardens at Meadowhead. You don't need to be an expert, just willing to tackle weeds and seed heads etc to show off the better plants to advantage. There are some tools available but feel free to bring your own favourites. We look forward to seeing you. Thank you!



The Give to Live 100 Club: You can buy one or more tickets and give yourself the chance to win one of the monthly cash prizes. For more information contact Barbara Richardson b_rich54@hotmail.com with "GTL 100 Club" in the title. The first 10 draws have raised £848 for Outreach partners who are winners every month. Thank you!



*Loving memories never die,
as years roll on and days pass by.
In our hearts a memory is kept
of ones we loved and
will never forget.*



Personal Column

Our congratulations to Frank and Frances Mbise (née Ashby) on the birth of a daughter, Iris.

Devotion to the Most Holy Name of Jesus

Although Saint Paul might be credited with promoting devotion to the Holy Name because he wrote in Philippians that God the Father gave Christ Jesus “that name that is above every name”, this devotion became popular because of 12th-century Cistercian monks and nuns but especially through the preaching of Saint Bernardine of Siena, a 15th-century Franciscan. The devotion grew, partly because of Franciscan and Dominican preachers. It spread even more widely after the Jesuits began promoting it in the 16th century. In 1530, Pope Clement V approved an Office of the Holy Name for the Franciscans. In 1721, Pope Innocent XIII extended this feast to the entire Church.



Prayer for the Feast of the Epiphany of the Lord



O God, who on this day revealed your Only Begotten Son to the nations by the guidance of a star, grant in your mercy, that we, who know you already by faith, may be brought to behold the beauty of your sublime glory. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.



A Reflection on the Epiphany of the Lord

“Epiphany” means manifestation. And the “Epiphany of the Lord” is Jesus’ manifestation not only to the Magi - wise men - from the East: it’s also a symbolic but real manifestation of the Christ to the whole world. These Magi, traveling from a foreign and non-Jewish nation, reveal that Jesus came for all people and all are called to adore Him.

These Magi were “wise men” who studied the stars and were aware of the Jewish belief that a Messiah was coming. God used what they were familiar with to call them to adore the Christ. They understood the stars and when they saw the new and unique star over Bethlehem they realised that something special was happening. So the lesson we take from this for our own lives is that God will use what is familiar to us to call us to Himself. A second thing to note is that the Magi fell prostrate before the Christ Child. They laid their lives down before Him in complete surrender and adoration. They set a perfect example for us; to adore Him with a complete surrender of our lives.

Reflect upon the Magi and see them as a symbol of what you are called to do. You are called from the foreign place of this world to seek out the Messiah. What is God using to call you to Himself? When you discover Him, do not hesitate to acknowledge the full truth of who He is, prostrating yourself before Him in complete and humble submission.

“Lord, I love You and adore You. I lay my life before You and surrender all. You are my Divine King and Saviour. My life is Yours.” *(From catholic-daily-reflections.com)*

Next week’s ministries for 8/9 January

Communion	9.15 a.m.	R Portaluri
	11.15 a.m.	F Glaze
Readers	5.00 p.m.	E Watson, A Southeran
	9.15 a.m.	J Fojut, S Farragher
	11.15 a.m.	A Willcock, D Lewis
Welcomers	9.15 a.m.	Volunteers needed!
	11.15 a.m.	E Williamson



This Week’s Readings SECOND SUNDAY AFTER CHRISTMAS

First Reading: Ecclesiasticus 24:1-2, 8-12

Responsorial Psalm: 147

Second Reading: Ephesians 1:3-6, 15-18

Gospel: John 1: 1-18

Next Week’s Readings BAPTISM OF THE LORD

First Reading: Isaiah 42:1-4, 6-7

Responsorial Psalm: 28

Second Reading: Acts 10:34-38

Gospel: Luke 3:15-16, 21-22



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“Current restrictions mean we can’t go to Bethlehem for work, but we can go for beholding and adoring”



Thought for the Week

Through Him hearts are raised up,
the weak are led by the hand,
and those who are making progress
are perfected.

Saint Basil the Great 329 – 379
(feast day 2nd January)

