



## Holy Family Catholic Church

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Reconciliation: Sat, 5:15–5:45pm – Baptisms and Weddings by appointment

Livestream available via the parish website on

<https://www.holyfamilychurchdagenham.org/mass-stream.php>

### 7<sup>th</sup> January, Epiphany of The Lord - B

Isaiah 60: 1-6

Ephesians 3: 2-3, 5-6

Matthew 2: 1-12

*The mystery of the incarnation is revealed to all the peoples of the earth: a new centre for the worship of God is established, i.e. in Christ. The Good News is confided to the Church so that it may be brought to all mankind. Our faith is 'catholic' (universal), and our response cannot be anything less than all-embracing.*

### 14<sup>th</sup> January, Second Sunday in Ordinary Time - B

Samuel 3:3-10. 19

Corinthians 6:13-15, 17-20

John 1:35-42

*God calls us by name, are we prepared to receive him? When we draw near to the Lord we understand more fully our mission, to live as part of Christ's body (as St. Paul reminds us). John the Baptist, the bridge between the Old and New Testament, guides to recognise Jesus as the Christ. Like the disciples we must recognise him, follow him, and remain in him.*

## CHURCH PROGRAMMES

**First Holy Communion/CALIYP 23/24** The next session will start on Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> January at 10:00am in the Church. Your Mass will take place on Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> January at 11:00am. All sessions are mandatory and must be attended on time.

**RCIA** If you wish to find out more about the Catholic faith or wish to become a baptized/confirmed member of the Church do feel free to join the RCIA programme which takes place in the presbytery meeting room every Tuesday at 7:30pm. **Term time only. The next session will resume on the 16<sup>th</sup> January 2024**

**Confirmation Programme 23/24** The next meeting will be on Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> January at 2:30pm. Your Mass will take place on Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> January at 9:00am. All sessions are mandatory and must be attended on time.

**Baptism Course** The next course will take place on Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup>, 13<sup>th</sup> & 20<sup>th</sup> March at 7:00pm please email the presbytery office before 21<sup>st</sup> February if you are interested in attending. All sessions must be attended.

**Bible Study Group** Meet every Wednesday at 7:30pm in the presbytery meeting room. **Term time only. The next session will resume on 17<sup>th</sup> January 2024**

There will be a second collection after all weekend Masses 13<sup>th</sup>/14<sup>th</sup> January for Pax Christi.

**Pray for the members of our parish community who are ill or unable to come to Mass especially:**

<i>Fr. John McKeon</i>	<i>Mary Ware</i>	<i>Danny O'Sullivan</i>	<i>Yvonne Falvey</i>	<i>Thomas Walsh</i>
<i>Pauline Egbunike</i>	<i>Maureen Bushell</i>	<i>John Connors</i>	<i>Ibiron Ayool</i>	<i>Myla Lebersidge</i>
<i>Mark Paton</i>	<i>Olive Edgar</i>	<i>Catherine Watkins</i>	<i>Andy Gallagher</i>	<i>Tony Leahy</i>
<i>Mary Wallace</i>	<i>Denis O'Flaherty</i>	<i>Amanda Shpati</i>	<i>Teresa Power</i>	<i>Daniel Mahoney</i>
<i>Karen Lloyd</i>	<i>Paul Buckley</i>			

**REGISTRATION FORMS**

If you are new to the parish or have not yet registered, please fill in a parish registration form and hand it in to presbytery office.

**eNEWSLETTER**

To help reduce our carbon footprint, copies of the newsletter are now available on our parish website, [www.holyfamilychurchdagenham.org](http://www.holyfamilychurchdagenham.org)

Unfortunately, at the moment, the newsletter cannot be accessed via iPhone.

We will keep you updated with any future development.

**PARISH COUNSELLOR**

One of our parishioners is a trained counsellor and wishes to offer their services to members of Holy Family Catholic Church.

If you want a confidential and safe environment to explore your anxieties, fears and coping strategies or if you want to increase your self-awareness, please contact Fr Jean-Laurent for further information.

**THANK YOU**

Fr Jean-Laurent would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone for their generous gifts, cards and well wishes over the Christmas period.

**VOLUNTEERS REQUIRED**

Do you have a small amount of time to assist in the Parish? Fr Jean is looking for a volunteer 3 days a week to assist him with jobs which need doing regularly in the Church. Tasks will involve the upkeep of the Sanctuary and Sacristy areas. If you think you may be able to assist with volunteer work, please speak to Fr. Jean or send an email to the parish office. Thank you.

**COUNTERS**

More volunteers are required to count the collection monies after Sunday Mass. Please contact the presbytery office or speak to Fr Jean.

**POPE FRANCIS' NEW YEARS RESOLUTION LIST**

**1.**Don't gossip; **2.**Finish your meals; **3.**Make time for others; **4.**Choose the 'more humble' purchase; **5.**Meet the poor 'in the flesh'; **6.**Stop judging others; **7.**Befriend those who disagree; **8.**Make commitments, such as marriage; **9.**Make it a habit to 'ask the Lord'; **10.**Be happy.

**CHRISTMAS RAFFLE TICKETS**

A big thank you to those who helped administer the receipt and distribution of tickets for this event. Thank you to all those who bought tickets. Winning ticket holders have been notified and the ticket numbers are displayed at the back of the Church. The proceeds from this event put in excess of £1,000 into Church funds. Thank you.

## READERS FOR MASS

Sat 6 <sup>th</sup> Jan	6:00pm	Daniel Hughes & Peter Roberts
Sun 7 <sup>th</sup> Jan	9:00am	Alfonso Gabriel & Pamela Anike
	11:00am	Clare Nwachukwu & Valentine Okolo
Sat 13 <sup>th</sup> Jan	6:00pm	Caroline Van Der Steen & Anne Carroll
Sun 14 <sup>th</sup> Jan	9:00am	Annette O'Donoghue & Philippa Adamuyiwa
	11:00am	1 <sup>st</sup> Holy Communion & Caliyp Candidates
Sat 20 <sup>th</sup> Jan	6:00pm	Marian Fitzgerald & Daniel Hughes
Sun 21 <sup>st</sup> Jan	9:00am	Nathalie Duncan & Ngozi Onodugo
	11:00am	Nana Osei-Minkah & Andrea Tataru

## EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS FOR MASS

Sat 6 <sup>th</sup> Jan	6:00pm	Marian Fitzgerald
Sun 7 <sup>th</sup> Jan	9:00am	Estalita Maduli
	11:00am	Augusta Egualeon
Sat 13 <sup>th</sup> Jan	6:00pm	Catherine Ahorituwere
Sun 14 <sup>th</sup> Jan	9:00am	Amanda Shpati
	11:00am	Christine Maxey
Sat 20 <sup>th</sup> Jan	6:00pm	Anne Carroll
Sun 21 <sup>st</sup> Jan	9:00am	Matthew Onyemah
	11:00am	Bernie McKeag

Will all readers and extraordinary ministers of the Eucharist please inform the welcomers that you are present for your scheduled Mass. Readers are to make themselves present at the back of the Church after the opening prayer in order to process to the altar together.

## IMPORTANT SAHARA DESERT RETREAT IN MOROCCO

26th February – 11th March 2024. Including a day visiting Marrakesh and 9 full days in the Desert. With Fr Arnaud and Deacon Vladimir from St Antony's in Forest Gate. Designed for young adults, open to all adults able to hike 4 to 6 hours a day for 9 full days in the desert. £952 (plus flight). Visit the website [www.desert-retreat.com](http://www.desert-retreat.com) or phone Catherine at 07807 348223.

## WEEKDAY MASS TIMES IN THE DEANERY

There will be no weekday Masses for the week beginning 8th January 2024. However, there will be 'Holy Hour' on Thursday and Friday 9:00am to 10:00am. You may wish to attend a weekday Mass, Monday to Friday, at the following local Catholic Churches: St Peter's RC, Goresbrook Road, Dagenham - 9:00am daily; St Vincent de Paul RC, Waldegrave Road, Becontree – 9:00am (NO MASS on Mondays); St Thomas More RC, Longbridge Road, Barking – 9:00am daily.

## THE BETHLEHEM NATIVITY GROUP

We would love to thank you for allowing our group to come to your church and sell religious articles, the result of which was very beneficial and rewarding for our needy Christian families, which raised £2162.50. Your help is a great support for us, and for our Christian families in the Holy Land .

If anyone has missed the carvings display, You can place an order online directly from them at [www.tbng.co.uk](http://www.tbng.co.uk)

## Mass Intentions

### The Epiphany of The Lord – B

<b>Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> Jan</b>	6:00pm	Michael O'Sullivan (RIP)	D & M O'Sullivan
<b>Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> Jan</b>	9:00am	People of the Parish	
	11:00am	Paul Agwanihu (RIP)	

### The Baptism of The Lord

**Mon 8<sup>th</sup> Jan**      9:00am      NO MASS

#### Feria

**Tue 9<sup>th</sup> Jan**      9:00am      NO MASS

#### Feria

**Wed 10<sup>th</sup> Jan**      9:00am      NO MASS

#### Feria

**Thu 11<sup>th</sup> Jan**      9:00am      HOLY Half HOUR

#### Feria

**Fri 12<sup>th</sup> Jan**      9:00am      HOLY HOUR

#### Feria

**Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> Jan**      9:00am      NO MASS

### Second Sunday in Ordinary Time - B

<b>Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> Jan</b>	6:00pm	John Musgrove (RIP)	Lighterness Family
<b>Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> Jan</b>	9:00am	Margaret McAuliffe (RIP)	S & D Panton
	11:00am	People of the Parish	

#### Feria

**Mon 15<sup>th</sup> Jan**      9:00am      David Ehenne (RIP)      J Xavier-Small

#### Feria

**Tue 16<sup>th</sup> Jan**      9:30am      School Mass  
David De Cruz (RIP)      Jean & Bernie

#### St Antony, Ab

**Wed 17<sup>th</sup> Jan**      9:00am      Yvonne Falvey (Spec Ints)

#### Feria

**Thu 18<sup>th</sup> Jan**      9:00am      Georges Lauricourt (RIP)      Family

#### Feria

**Fri 19<sup>th</sup> Jan**      9:00am      Johnson Mibimi (RIP)      J Xavier-Small  
Followed by Holy Hour

#### Feria

**Sat 20<sup>th</sup> Jan**      9:00am      Magna Hale (RIP)      Family

### Third Sunday in Ordinary Time – B

<b>Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> Jan</b>	6:00pm	People of the Parish	
<b>Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> Jan</b>	9:00am	Margaret McAuliffe (RIP)	S&D Panton & K McAuliffe
	11:00am	Paul Agwanihu (RIP)	Donors Intentions

### Mass Attendance

16<sup>th</sup> / 17<sup>th</sup> Dec

375 Late: 131

23<sup>rd</sup> / 24<sup>th</sup> Dec

257 Late: 99

### Collection

16<sup>th</sup> / 17<sup>th</sup> Dec

£821.28

23<sup>rd</sup> / 24<sup>th</sup> Dec

£1,950.19

### 2nd Collection

16<sup>th</sup> / 17<sup>th</sup> Dec

N/A

23<sup>rd</sup> / 24<sup>th</sup> Dec

N/A