



# THE PARISH OF OUR LADY OF PERPETUAL HELP, CARLISLE

SUNDAY 25<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER 2022

THE NATIVITY OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST (A)

This newsletter is a double edition for Sunday 25<sup>th</sup>  
December 2022 and 1<sup>st</sup> January 2023

## MASSES THIS WEEK:

Liturgical Year A / Office Week 1

### Sun: CHRISTMAS DAY

#### THE NATIVITY OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST

12am (OLSJ) *Midnight* Andrew Harvey RIP

9am (CtK) Maria Anne Reid RIP

9.30am (St B) Clergy of OLPH, Carlisle

10am (OLSJ) Vera Finlinson RIP

11am (St A) Derek Young RIP

11am (St MM) Tadeusz Nieradko RIP

1pm (OLSJ) Mass in Polish

#### Monday (26<sup>th</sup>) ST. STEPHEN

12noon (OLSJ) Altar Servers Thanksgiving

*No evening Mass*

#### Tuesday (27<sup>th</sup>) ST. JOHN

10am (CtK) David Nugent RIP

12noon (OLSJ) Sr. Joyce Attwood RSHM

#### Wednesday (28<sup>th</sup>) THE HOLY INNOCENTS

12noon (OLSJ) Hugh Gaitskell RIP

7pm (St A) Thanksgiving (R.N)

#### Thursday (29<sup>th</sup>) ST. THOMAS BECKET

10am (OLSW) Patrick Dwyer RIP

12noon (OLSJ) Mary Constable RIP

#### Friday (30<sup>th</sup>) THE HOLY FAMILY

12noon (OLSJ) Dale Whiteside RIP

7pm (St MM) Billy Byers RIP

#### Saturday (31<sup>st</sup>) Seventh Day of Christmas Octave

10am (St. MM) *TLM* DMs of Etienne & Journaux Families

12noon (OLSJ) Marian Nieradko RIP

#### Sunday (1<sup>st</sup>) MARY, MOTHER OF GOD

4pm Vigil (OLSW) Mary Holden RIP

6pm Vigil (St B) People of the Parish

9am (CtK) Fr. David Forrester

9.30am (St B) David Nugent RIP

10am (OLSJ) Anne Campbell RIP

11am (St A) Sean Fehrenbach RIP

11am (St MM) In Thanksgiving (E.C)

1pm (OLSJ) Mass in Polish

3pm (OLSJ) *Exposition*

4.30pm (OLSJ) Kazimer Grobelny RIP



## A WHOLLY INADEQUATE EXPRESSION OF THANKS!

At this time of year, we are motivated to give gifts. The inspiration for such generosity comes from a realization that God has given us the greatest gift: the gift of Himself, born in a stable. On yet further and deeper reflection, we understand that it is not the price of a gift that really matters. Rather, its value comes from the warmth with which it is given. As God has offered Himself to us, so too we seek to present something of ourselves to the ones in our life that matter to us.

This kind of self-giving is not limited to any season, term or period of time. It is an all year round offering. This is the kind of gift-of-self that we witness every day and every week in our parish. Across all our churches, sacristies, halls and community centres, there are generous people giving their time, attention and energy to making our parish alive, prayerful and active. Many more serve the housebound, the poor, the homeless – here and overseas – and offer a ready welcome to anyone who comes for help. It is impossible for us to name you all, let alone quantify how many hours and how rich the resources are donated to the life of Our Lady of Perpetual Help.

We, the clergy, feel totally incapable of expressing adequate thanks in the face of so much, given by so many, all year round for the parish. Please accept this, our small but authentic, expression of true, heartfelt gratitude. For everything you do; for everything you give; **Thank you!**

We also wish to express our thanks for the generosity and kindness you show to us over this Christmas Season through your cards and gifts and words of encouragement. Again: Thank you!

**Fr Luiz, Fr Harrison, Fr Etienne.**



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### CONFESSIONS IN OUR PARISH:

**OLSJ:** Mon-Sat immediately after noonday Mass  
**St B:** Sat 5.30-5.50pm, Mon 6.00-6.45pm  
**St A:** Wed 6.00-6.45pm  
**St MM:** Fri 6.00-6.45pm  
**CtK:** Sun 8.30-8.50am

### EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT:

**OLSJ:** Sat 11.00-11.50am & 1<sup>st</sup> Sun 3.00-4.00pm  
**St B:** Mon 6.00-6.50pm  
**St A:** Wed 6.00-6.50pm  
**St MM:** Fri 6.00-6.50pm

### WEEKDAY ROSARY

Mondays **St MM:** 7.00pm  
Wednesdays **St A:** 6.30pm

### PRAYING FOR THE SICK:

Steven Allison, Caroline Amos, Jean Bell, Pat Casey, Betty Cully, Kieron Donnelly, Baby Kamil, Joan Elton, Patricia Fisher, Annette Harwood, Fr. Harry Holden, Audrey Kavanagh, Baby Lincoln, David Lowe Jnr, Ted Machin, Jenny MacLeod, Teresa McCormick, Carole McCulloch, Winifred Mooney, Irene McNarney, Sr. Maureen, Amy Scroggie, Peter Vincent, Yvonne Ward and all in need of our prayers.

### PRAY FOR OUR LATELY DEPARTED:

Mgr Joe Branson

### POPE'S PRAYER INTENTION FOR JANUARY

We pray that educators may be credible witnesses, teaching fraternity rather than competition and helping the youngest and most vulnerable above all.

### DIVINE MERCY PRAYER GROUP

Resumes on Monday 9<sup>th</sup> January 2023, 2.00pm at St Augustine, all welcome!

### SCRIPTURE PRAYER GROUP

Resumes on Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> January at 2.30pm in Blessed Christopher Robinson House, all welcome!

### SVP WINTER WARM WELCOME

SVP welcome you to some Winter Warmth in the Waterton Hall, Fridays, 12.30-3.00pm. Teas, coffees and biscuits are provided. Please bring your own packed lunch. More hosts also welcome, contact the SVP.

### OUR NEXT PARISH QUIZ NIGHT

At St Margaret Mary's Community Centre, Begley Room Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> January at 7.30pm for 8.00pm start. Teams of 6 or less. Entry £1. Cash prize for the winner. All welcome!

### CRIB OFFERINGS

This year Bishop Paul would like the Crib Offerings for the Friends of the Holy Land (FHL). FHL help deprived Christian families, especially those living around Bethlehem, in Gaza, Israel and Jordan. With pilgrimages slowly returning and little income for almost 3 years, many families in and around Bethlehem are increasingly calling on FHL for help. Further information on [www.friendsoftheholylan.org.uk](http://www.friendsoftheholylan.org.uk)

### DIOCESAN DIRECTORY 2023

Directories are now available to purchase from each of our churches. Price £5.

### MASSES for 2<sup>nd</sup> – 8<sup>th</sup> JANUARY 2023

Liturgical Year A Office Week 2

#### Monday (2<sup>nd</sup>) St. Basil the Great and St. Gregory

12noon (OLSJ) Ernesto Bandoni RIP

7pm (St B) Holy Souls

#### Tuesday (3<sup>rd</sup>) of Christmas Season (before Epiphany)

10am (CtK) Ray Stevens RIP

12noon (OLSJ) Gerry & Irene Nugent RIP

#### Wednesday (4<sup>th</sup>) of Christmas Season (before Epiphany)

12noon (OLSJ) Paul Blackshaw

7pm (St A) Mary & John Spencer RIP

#### Thursday (5<sup>th</sup>) of Christmas Season (before Epiphany)

10am (OLSW) Andy Holden RIP

12noon (OLSJ) Michael Johnston RIP

6pm (CtK) Maureen Fisher RIP

7pm (St A) Holy Souls

#### Friday (6<sup>th</sup>) THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

9.30am (St MM) Nancy Douglas RIP

9.30am (St B) Eileen Caven RIP

12noon (OLSJ) Alicia (Lisa) Hammond RIP (Anniv)

7pm (OLSJ) DMs KSC

#### Saturday (7<sup>th</sup>) after Epiphany

10am (St MM) TLM Holy Souls (P.S)

12noon (OLSJ) DMs Nugent & Smith Families

#### Sunday: THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD

4pm Vigil (OLSW) Maureen Fisher RIP

6pm Vigil (St B) Paulina RIP

9am (CtK) George & Vera Clifford RIP

9.30am (St B) Alexander & Mary Grey RIP

10am (OLSJ) People of the Parish

11am (St A) Edwina Cadman RIP (Anniv)

11am (St MM) Billy Byers RIP

1pm (OLSJ) Mass in Polish

4.30pm (OLSJ) Irene Gajda RIP

### EPIPHANY HOUSE BLESSINGS

Blessed Chalk and Epiphany water (bring your own receptacle) will be available at the back of our churches after the Epiphany. A small card instruction will be available also to perform the blessing over the front door of your homes. Do consider this beautiful tradition for the sanctification of our homes and Christ's reign over them this new year.

### ALTAR SERVERS RETREAT

The Diocesan Youth Service are hosting a one-night open retreat for altar servers at Castlerigg, January 13<sup>th</sup> – 14<sup>th</sup> 2023 cost £35. Open to anyone in Year 6+. Details: [director@castleriggmanor.co.uk](mailto:director@castleriggmanor.co.uk)

### FIRE & LIGHT – COR ET LUMEN CHRISTI

Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> January at The Old Convent, St Cuthbert's, Wigton, 8.00pm – 10.00pm. Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament and Praise. Contact us if you need any more details. Email: [scuthberts@coretlumenchristi.org](mailto:scuthberts@coretlumenchristi.org)

### PARISH STATISTICS 17<sup>th</sup> /18<sup>th</sup> December

Last Week	Offertory	Special	Attended
OLPH	£2006.78	£139.00	719