



Second Sunday After The Nativity -
Year A

3rd/4th January 2026

MASS TIMES & INTENTIONS

Sat 3 9.30am 6pm	Agnelo Fernandes (B'day Rem.) Iglesias Gaza Family	RIP INT
Sun 4 8am 9.30am 11am 7pm	Dominic Fernandes Annammah & Savrimuthu Claudia Canha People of the Parish	T'GIVING RIP T'GIVING RIP
Mon 5 9.30am 7.00pm	Veronica Gomes Neville Gill (<i>Vigil Mass - Epiphany</i>)	RIP (1st A) RIP (5th A)
Tue 6 9.30am 12noon 7pm	THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD Patrick Ellis, Danny and Peggy O'Sullivan Derrick Juriansz Vincent & Janice Alphonso, 25 W/A	RIP RIP (A) T'GIVING
Wed 7 9.30am	Diego D'Souza	RIP (A)
Thur 8 9.30am	John & Angela D'Souza	INT
Fri 9 9.30am 7pm	John Edward Hanlon Maria Nina Rubina Fernandes	RIP (3rd A) RIP
Sat 10 9.30am 6pm	Melchor Garcia Jeanette (Kiki) Hocking	RIP RIP
Sun 11 8am 9.30am 11am 7pm	Nicholas & Martin Lambert D'csed Friends - Fernandes Family Philip & Anne Sheridan People of the Parish	RIP RIP RIP INT

Sanctuary Lamp is lit for the intentions of Julia Canha and Family

OTHER REGULAR MASSES, LITURGY

Confessions and Adoration: Saturday 10.15am-11.15am

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Morning Prayer: Monday to Friday 9.10am

Rosary: Monday & Friday 10am; **St Anthony Devotion:** Tues 10am

Novena to Mother of Perpetual Help: Wednesday 10am

Sacred Heart Devotion & Adoration: First Friday (10am-3pm)

Prayer & Intercessory Group: 3rd & 4th Saturday 7pm

Polish Mass: Every Sunday 1pm; **Malayalam Mass:** 3rd Sun 2.30pm

Filipino Mass: 4th Sat 2.30pm; **Nigerian Mass:** 4th Sun 2.30pm

The Feast of Epiphany originated from the Eastern Church which celebrates the manifestation of Christ as the Son of God. Customarily observed on January 6, the twelfth day after Christmas, however, in other regions of the world, this feast has been shifted to the Sunday between January 2 and January 8. Epiphany represents the spread of Christ's kingdom to the entire world, Christ's revelation to all of the Gentile world, symbolised by His revelation to the three kings at Bethlehem. This feast shows us that all nations, not just a select few, are called to Christianity. The world was dark during Advent, and we prayed and waited in the spirit of the Jewish people, who had been waiting for the Coming Light for thousands of years. Mary, Joseph, and the shepherds were the only people around the cradle who could see the dimly shining light at Christmas. However, the prophecy that states, "The Gentiles shall walk in Thy light, and kings in the brightness of Thy rising," (Isaiah 60:3) is realised during Epiphany when the Light shines forth to all nations. Epiphany requires us to bring the light of Christ to everyone we encounter, just like these kings did. In the gloom of our own world, it is our duty to shine that light. It is obvious how important the feast of Epiphany must be to all of us who are working to spread Christ's kingdom.

Have a Blessed Week
Fr Andrew

REST IN PEACE

We pray for the repose of the souls of Jeanette Hocking (Kiki), Patricia (Pat) Christou, John Carroll and Peter Marques who have died recently. May they rest in eternal peace. The Funeral of **Pat Christou** will take place here on **Wednesday 14th January at 11am**. The Funeral of **John Carroll** will take place on **Tuesday 20th January at 11am**.

SCRIPTURE READINGS (Year A)

Today: 2nd Sunday after the Nativity p. 111

Jan 6: The Epiphany of the Lord p. 115

Next week: The Baptism of the Lord p. 118

SAINT OF THE WEEK

Saint Raymond of Penyafort, 1175-1275
Priest and Patron of Lawyers. Optional Memorial - 7 January
"To err is human, but to forgive is divine"

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THE FEAST OF THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD is celebrated on Tuesday 6th January and is a holy day of obligation. There will be a Vigil Mass on Monday 5th January at 7pm and on Tuesday Masses will be at 9.30am, 12noon and 7pm.

MINISTERS OF THE WORD (READERS) There will be a short retreat for our parish readers on **Saturday 24th January 2026**, 1-3pm, in the Parish Centre. That weekend is designated as the 3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time *of the Word of God*, which is a befitting time for a retreat and recommissioning of our parish readers. There will be some 'tips for reading' offered, time for prayer, and a talk on 'The importance and impact of women in the Scriptures'. Refreshments will be served. Please do put this date in your diary.

WELCOME BACK after the Christmas New Year break. A reminder that our sacramental programmes resume as follows:

Confirmation - Thursday 8 January 6.30pm. Confirmation Parents meeting with Fr Mike on 8 January at 7pm in Church.

First Holy Communion - Saturday 10 January 9.30am and older group at 11.15am.

Walk with Jesus - Sunday 11 January 10.30am

Marriage Preparation Course - Saturday 17 January 11am-6pm

Baptism Preparation Class - Friday 16 January 6.30-8pm.

CATECHISTS WANTED!! Do you have a passion to teach and hand-on the faith, to accompany those seeking a closer relationship with the Lord Jesus, those seeking the sacraments? If so, we are looking to grow our parish catechist team for our sacramental programmes. If you are interested in becoming a volunteer catechist, for either First Holy Communion, Confirmation, Baptism Preparation, Marriage Preparation, Walk With Jesus (Sunday School), please contact our Catechetical Coordinator, Cathy Early, at felthamcatechist@rcdow.org.uk, for more details. Volunteer catechists must be at least 18 years old to apply. Have courage! Do not be afraid to put yourself forward in serving the Lord and the parish this way.

CHRISTMAS CRIB APPEAL for the Catholic Children's Society will be kept open until the Baptism of the Lord.

CHRISTMAS RAFFLE DRAW Please check your tickets and come to the Parish Office to claim your prizes, they are desperately looking for homes: Yellow border 189 s/n AD563477, Yellow Border 217 s/n AD536477, Pink border 225 s/n AD532279, Peach border 970 s/n AD898263, Pink border 260 s/n AD532279, Green 727 s/n AD714947, Peach border 114 s/n AD898263 and Blue 910 s/n AB263538. Also available on our website and on the notice boards. Congratulations to the winners! **Please collect your prizes by Sunday 11th January.**

LOST PROPERTY - During the festive season a couple of handbags were found in Church. One being a child's bag. If you are missing a bag please come and see Florie in the Parish Office.

MESSAGE FROM THE PARISH OFFICE - If you wish to offer a Mass please take a slip from the porch, complete and return with your donation to the Parish Office. Florie or Cathy Early will deal with your request. Please do not pass on requests or messages through volunteers in the Church or hand money to them to pass on to Florie for Masses or other things as this causes confusion down the line and leads to unnecessary extra work and wastes time. Thank you for your understanding.

EXTRA-ORDINARY MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST - Please collect your new revised rota (11am Mass) from the sacristy (for those not on email).

MONDAY 12TH JANUARY - If you have an hour or more to spare, please could you help with taking down the Christmas decorations and storing them away for later.

CHILDREN AT MASS We are blessed to see so many of our parish children attending Mass, not only at weekends, but weekdays also. Parents and Guardians thank you for bringing your children to Mass, for bringing them to the Lord. It is important that we all help in the formation of each other, helping children to understand that they have an important place and role in the Church and in the parish. If you have a baby that needs to be fed during Mass, please do not hesitate to feed them, even if this means in your seat. Toddlers and older children are at the age of being taught more and more about Mass, as best we can, encouraging them not to eat during Mass so that they can transition to the 'fast' later on in their lives. If your child cries, please do not worry; it is their contribution to the Mass and, perhaps, even telling us priests and deacons to shorten our homilies! If you feel your child is getting irritable or distracted, again, do not worry, and feel free to take them to the porch or outside to settle them down, but remember to come back in, come back to your church home. We have often found that having the children close to the front of the church not only helps them to focus on everything that is happening on the Sanctuary, it also keeps them interested, distraction-free. So, again, we welcome you and your families to the front of church for as full a participation at Mass as possible. Parents and Guardians, you are the first and best teachers of the faith, and we encourage you and support you in your vocation.

ST LAWRENCE SCHOOL – ADMISSIONS POLICY CONSULTATION The Foundation Governing Body of St Lawrence School are seeking the views of the local community regarding a proposed change to the Admission Policy for 2027-2028. The consultation is running between 1st December 2025 and 9th January 2026. You can read the documents on the school website at <https://www.st-lawrencesprimary.co.uk/admissions/> where you will also find contact details for responses.

ST PAUL'S CATHOLIC COLLEGE, SUNBURY – ADMISSIONS POLICY CONSULTATION The school is proposing various changes to the Years 7-11 Admissions Policy and to the 6th Form Admissions Policy. The consultation period is from 11th December 2025 and 29th January 2026. If you would like to engage with this consultation, you will find the consultation documents and contact details for your responses on the school website at <https://www.st-pauls.surrey.sch.uk/Admissions/Admissions-Policy-Consultation/>

APPLICATION TO NURSERY SCHOOL - To book an appointment to see one of the clergy **for a Certificate of Catholic Practice (CCP) for Nursery** please see Florie in the Church porch on **Monday 12th January** between 8.15-9am and 3-3.45pm to get a pack and to make an appointment to see either Fr Mike or Fr Andrew.

Fr Mike or Fr Andrew will see parents/guardians on **Thursday 22nd January 1pm-4pm, Wednesday 28th January 12noon-3pm and Tuesday 3rd February 1-4pm.**

PARISH OFFICE OPENING TIMES

Mon, Wed, Thur: 10.00am-12noon & Fri: 12.30-2.30pm
Tues, Sat & Sun: Office Closed

THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY

27th-28th December: Loose £1,128.42 & Envelopes £161.50
Total: £1,289.92

HSBC BANK ACCOUNT NAME: WRCDT Feltham
Account No: 71095528 Sort Code: 40-05-20

Please add your Surname and First Name as a reference, to help our bookkeeper, and indicate if it is for a Donation, Baptism, etc.