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Christmas Double Edition: (Year B) 27th December 2020

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St Teresa's church is monitored by CCTV cameras 24 hours a day. Live streaming of all services takes place at St Teresa's and can be viewed at www.churchservices.tv/borehamwood or through the link on our website

FIRE SAFETY NOTICE: If anyone has difficulty in hearing, walking or anything else that may slow down safe exit in the event of a fire, please let us know before the service starts, so that we can arrange for assistance for you.

Thursday 24th December	Confessions	10am-1pm	
All Christmas Eve	Vigil Mass	5pm	Frank Atkinson RIP & Malcolm Creaton RIP
Mass spaces fully booked	Vigil Mass	8pm	Mary & Ted Mansfield RIP
Friday 25th December	Midnight Mass	12am	The Parishioners & all those watching online.
All Christmas Day Mass	The Nativity of the Lord	8.30am) All the deceased members of
spaces fully booked		10am) the Catholic Parishes of Borehamwood
Saturday 26th December	St Stephen	Noon)
	Vigil: Holy Family	6pm	Michael Brady RIP
Sunday 27th December	The Holy Family	8.30am	The Front Line Workers & Care Givers
		10am	Evelyn Doegah RIP (Ann)
Monday 28th December	The Holy Innocents	Noon	Ollie & Dot Quinn RIP &
Tuesday 29th December	St Thomas Becket	9.15am	Vanni Carloni & his sister Mara RIP
Wednesday 30th December	No Mass		Ruth, Miriam, Julius, Aaron & Jane Rees RIP
Thursday 31st December	7th Day of Christmas	9.15am	Dot Quinn RIP
	Octave	9.30pm	Frank Atkinson RIP & Malcolm Creaton RIP
Friday 1st January	Solemnity of Mary	Noon	The Parishioners & all those watching online.
Saturday 2nd January	Vigil: 2nd Sunday	6pm	Peggy Crossnan RIP (Ann)
Sunday 3rd January	2nd Sunday after the Nativity	8.30am	Thomas & Kate O'Connor (Int)
Monday 4th January	Christmas Feria	10am	Pat McMahan RIP
Tuesday 5th January	Christmas Feria	9.15am	Eilish Doyle RIP
Wednesday 6th January	Epiphany of the Lord	9.15am	Mary Corry (Int)
Thursday 7th January	Christmas Feria	9.15am	Margaret O' Connor (Int)
Friday 8th January	Christmas Feria	9.15am	All Parishioners affected by COVID
Saturday 9th January	Vigil: Bapt of the Lord	6pm	Geraldine & Kieran Donohoe (Int)
			Pat Burke RIP
			Elliott & Lina Francis RIP



Liturgy of the Word: 27th December 2020

Entrance Antiphon: *The shepherds went in haste and found Mary & Joseph & the infant lying in a manger*

Responsorial Psalm: *He, the Lord, is our God. He remembers his covenant for ever.*

Gospel Acclamation: *Alleluia, alleluia! May the peace of Christ reign in your hearts; let the message of Christ find a home with you. Alleluia!*

Next week's readings: *Eccles 24:1-2,8-12, Psalm 147:12-15,19-20, resp John 1:14, Ephesians 1:3-6,15-18, John 1;1-18*

Liturgy of the Word: 3rd January 2021

Entrance Antiphon: *When a profound silence covered all things and night was in the middle of its course, your all-powerful Word, O Lord bounded from heaven's royal throne.*

Responsorial Psalm: *The Word was made flesh and lived among us.*

Gospel Acclamation: *Alleluia, alleluia! Glory be to you, O Christ, proclaimed to the pagans; Glory be to you, O Christ, believed in by the world. Alleluia!*

Next week's readings: *Isaiah 55:1-11, Psalm Isaiah 12:2-6, resp v6, 1 John 5:1-9, Mark 1:7-11*



Fr. Dominic, Fr. John, Sue and Jackie, Danica and Richard wish all the Parishioners from The Catholic Parishes of Borehamwood and St. Josephs Carpenders Park a very peaceful and blessed Christmas.

This Christmas will be very different from all our previous ones and will be very difficult for many of you. Especially if you had made plans to meet in bubbles of three households and elderly relatives may have to be on their own and grandchildren not being able to meet and celebrate with grandparents and all the family. A crazy time but also a very serious time if you in any way vulnerable. As Catholics, we have a great responsibility to show forth the face of Christ. This means we have a huge task to follow the regulations and restrictions that have been imposed.

So, STAY SAFE.



Confirmation 2021 :The deadlines have now been reached for these & you should have received an email confirming registration. The programme will start in 2021 and we will be in touch before Christmas to give further details on how the course will be run next year.



If you can help the Foodbank, here is a list of essentials that they always need. Jam, tinned carrots, tinned potatoes or packets of mash powder, cereals, tinned rice pudding, tinned fruit & tinned hot dogs, tinned meat pies, tinned custard or custard powder and crisps. Thank you

Why not change the way you donate?

Thank you for all those of you who pay by envelopes and have been making up for weeks that they have missed. We are grateful for any donations that you make but were wondering if you had thought about donating regularly by way of a standing order. You won't need that Sunday scrabble for cash for the plate or for the fiddly envelopes and once set up you can forget about it! All you need to do is fill in a form, return it to us & let us do the rest. Having less cash in the church is much safer for us all and as would seem to be the case, more hygienic. Contact us if you would like to make the change!! Of course we have our **new contactless machine** at St Teresa's but there's only so much it can do - you have to be here in person! So please don't forget to use our **Virgin Money Giving**, which can be accessed via their site or by clicking on the



button on our website. **Look at the "About us" page on the website & you will see "Donate" - its all there and please call us if you need help!**



Baptisms are on hold at the moment until we get guidelines as to what we can & cannot do. If you would like to get your child baptised, as a starting point, please complete & submit the online baptism registration form, (found under sacraments on the website), we will then get in touch with you & arrange for you to see Fr Dominic so you are ready to go once we get approval.



We are in Tier 4 but we are pleased to advise that Public Masses can continue but subject to the same restrictions as before, namely you must follow the stringent guidelines, you must pre book your attendance, (if your name's not on the list, you're not coming in!) and face masks must be worn at all times, unless you are medically exempt. You may remember **that we had a problem with people not booking & just turning up, please do book as we cannot exceed the limit of people allowed in the church under the regulations**, no one wants to be the one to turn people away, which is also unfair on our dedicated Stewards. Weekday masses are less well attended and so you do not need to book. If you have problems, please call us & we can book from this end. Communion will be given at the end of Mass and in the hand only. All masses will continue to be at St Teresa's to allow everything to be Live Streamed.



Do you know someone of whom we are not reaching? Someone who doesn't have the internet whom we can call to keep in touch? Someone who is simply struggling with the current situation? Please do get in touch with us if you, or someone you know needs a bit of



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First Holy Communion 2021. You should have received an email advising you that the course will start in the new year. We will be in touch very soon to let you know how we plan to carry out the teaching. Don't forget to collect your child's "I belong" book if you haven't already.