

# **Before Christmas**

#### Mondays 1, 8, and 15 December

#### 6.30am Advent Rorate Mass

These traditional dawn Masses of Our Lady by candlelight will be celebrated on the first three Mondays of December in the Lady Chapel. If you have never experienced one of these special Advent Masses, do make an effort to come along and help prepare for the coming of Christ at Christmas. By popular request, these Masses will be sung Masses and in Latin.

#### Monday 15 - Saturday 20 December

10.00am **Holy Mass**5.45pm - 6.15pm **Confessions**6.30pm **Holy Mass** 

#### Saturday 20 December

# 10.30am Christmas Penitential Service with individual Confessions

A short communal Service of Penitence will be followed by individual Confessions, with visiting priests as well as our own. During the Confessions, the Blessed Sacrament will be exposed for Adoration. Come and confess early for Christmas!

#### **Sunday 21 December**

Fourth Sunday of Advent

6.30pm (Sat) Holy Mass	12 noon	<b>Holy Mass</b>
8.00am Holy Mass	5.00pm	<b>Holy Mass</b>
10.00am Holy Mass	8.00pm	<b>Holy Mass</b>

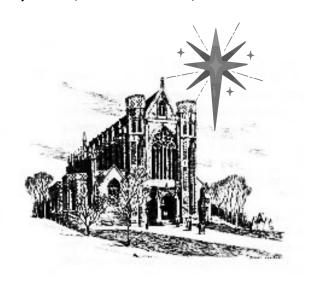
#### Monday 22 - Tuesday 23 December

10.00am **Holy Mass**5.45pm - 6.15pm **Confessions**6.30pm **Holy Mass** 

The rehearsal for the Children's Christmas Crib Service will take place on Tuesday 23 December (see next page).

# Wednesday 24 December

10.00am Holy Mass (of 24 December)



# **Christmas Eve**

#### Wednesday 24 December

#### 3.30pm Children's Christmas Crib Service

There will be a rehearsal for the Crib Service from 10.45am to 12 noon on Tuesday 23 December for children aged 4+ who would like to be involved as actors and children aged 8+ wishing to read. Please contact Rachel Marshall at <a href="mailto:rachel@marshallemail.net">rachel@marshallemail.net</a>. Offers of help from parents are also most welcome.

5.00pm Vigil Mass

7.30pm **Vigil Mass** preceded by Carols from 7.10pm



Midnight Mass preceded by Carols from 11.30pm

### Reserved seats at the Vigil and Midnight Masses

The front four rows of seats on the left-hand centre aisle (Ambo-side) of the church will be reserved for frail and elderly persons and wheelchairs, until 5 minutes before the Carols begin. Thereafter, they will be available to everyone.

#### Parking at Wimbledon College and Church Car Park

Additional car parking spaces will be available at Wimbledon College from 3.00pm on Wednesday 24 December until 2.00am on Thursday 25 December.

The parking registration system in the church car park will be deactivated for Masses on the following days. On these days, you do not need to register your car using a registration tablet:

- Wednesday 24 December (Christmas Eve)
- Friday 25 December (Christmas Day)
- Saturday 26 December (St Stephen)
- Wednesday 31 December
- Thursday 1 January (Mary, Mother of God)

# **Christmas Day**

#### **Thursday 25 December**

8.00am Mass of the Dawn

10.00am Mass of the Day

12 noon Mass of the Day



Please note that there are no evening Masses.

By diocesan rule, the Collection at all Christmas Masses is your gift to the priests of the parish.

# **After Christmas**

#### Friday 26 December

St Stephen

10.00am Holy Mass only (Bank Holiday: no evening Mass)

#### Saturday 27 December

St John

10.00am Holy Mass

10.30am - 11.30am Confessions

6.00pm - 6.20pm Confessions

#### **Sunday 28 December**

The Holy Family

6.30pm (Sat) Holy Mass	12 noon Holy Mass
8.00am Holy Mass	5.00pm Holy Mass
10.00am Holy Mass	8.00pm Holy Mass

#### Monday 29 - Wednesday 31 December

10.00am Holy Mass

6.00pm - 6.20pm Confessions

6.30pm Holy Mass

#### Thursday 1 January

Mary, Mother of God

6.30pm (Wed) Holy Mass
10.00am Holy Mass only (Bank Holiday: no evening Mass)

#### Friday 2 January

SS Basil the Great & Gregory Nazianzen

10.00am Holy Mass

6.00pm - 6.20pm Confessions

6.30pm Holy Mass

#### **Saturday 3 January**

10.00am Holy Mass

10.30am - 11.30am Confessions

6.00pm - 6.20pm Confessions

#### **Sunday 4 January**

**Second Sunday of Christmas** 

6.30pm (Sat) Holy Mass
8.00am Holy Mass
5.00pm Holy Mass
10.00am Holy Mass
8.00pm Holy Mass

#### **Monday 5 January**

10.00am **Holy Mass** 6.00pm - 6.20pm **Confessions** 

#### **Tuesday 6 January**

The Epiphany of the Lord

6.30pm (Mon) Vigil Mass

10.00am Holy Mass

6.00pm - 6.20pm Confessions

6.30pm Holy Mass

8.00pm Holy Mass



#### **Crib Offerings**

The Christmas Crib will be displayed in the St Ignatius Chapel. Please take care when lighting votive candles, especially around children.

The Crib Offerings will be sent to the Latin Patriarchate of Jerusalem, earmarked for medical and humanitarian needs, via the Equestrian Order of the Holy Sepulchre of Jerusalem, of which Canon David is a Knight Commander. They will support humanitarian aid convoys, enable the provision of schooling and clinics, and help to rebuild communities devastated in the Holy Land. Aid will get to where it is most needed.



The Parish Clergy and Pastoral Team wish everyone – visitors, friends, and particularly parishioners – a very happy and holy time at Christmas.

