

ENTRANCE	112 O come O come Emmanuel
KYRIE, SANCTUS & AGNUS DEI	Mass of Creation
GOSPEL ACCL.	70 (Verse said)
OFFERTORY	113 The Angel Gabriel
MEMORIAL ACCL.	Missa Simplex
OUR FATHER	Said
COMMUNION	349 Mother of God's living word
RECESSIONAL	339 My soul is filled with joy

23rd December 2023 – 30th December 2023

Date	Time	Intention
Sat 23rd	5pm	Denis. Peggy & Patrick Murphy RIP
Sun 24th	10am	Raimondo Cagnino (1st Anniversary)
	11:30am	Italian Mass
5pm & Midnight		Both Masses for the Priests Intentions
Mon 25th		8am & 10am Masses for the Priests Intentions
Tues 26th	12noon	Elisa Oliveira (Anniversary)
Wed 27th	10am	Alice Sheehan RIP
Thur 28th	10am	Rekindling of love between an estranged couple
Fri 29th	10am	Verina Nicholas (Birthday Anniversary)
Sat 30th	5pm	Pat & Shirley Smyth RIP

Main Altar Sanctuary Lamp	People of the Parish
Sacred Heart	Fr Natalino's Birthday Intentions
Our Lady	Monsignor Roger & Fr Allan's Intentions



Christmas Mass Times

Christmas Eve - Sunday 24th December :
 10am Sunday Mass (No 8am Mass)
 11:30am Italian Mass
 5pm Family Mass with Children's Tableau
 11:30pm Carols followed by Midnight Mass

Christmas Day - The Nativity of the Lord :
 8am Mass, 10am Mass, 11:30am - Italian

Tuesday, St Stephen's Day : 12noon Mass

Wednesday 27th December - St John, Apostle & Evangelist : 10am Mass

Thursday 28th December - The Holy Innocents, Martyrs : 10am Mass

Friday 29th December - St Thomas Becket, Bishop & Martyr : 10am Mass

Saturday 30th December - The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary & Joseph : 5pm Mass

Sunday, New Years Eve - The Holy Family :
 8am Mass, 10am Mass, 11:30am - Italian Mass

Monday, New Years Day - Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God : 12noon Mass
 Italian Mass at 2 Leigh Gardens at 12noon.

CHRISTMAS OFFERING ENVELOPES
 Should you wish to make a Christmas Offering to the Church this year, the envelopes are ready to be taken away from the Porch. Your offering helps to cover the cost of our Priests stipends, we thank you generously for supporting them. Should you wish to give one of our Priests a gift you must do that separately through a card with their name on it, or some other means through the parish letterbox.

TODAYS CAKE SALE
 Today, will be giving out mince pies and mulled wine instead of our usual cake stall. You are of course still able to make a contribution to our Burkina Faso Project. Thank you to all who have enjoyed and contributed towards our Burkina Faso Justice and Peace Project.

PARISH OFFICE CHRISTMAS TIMES
 The Parish Office will be closed from Thursday 21st December and reopen on Friday 29th December. Chelsea will be working from home on Wednesday 27th December and will have access to emails.

BAPTISM PREPARATION COURSE
 Our next course will be on Saturday 13th January. To book your place and find out more, please contact Chelsea.

FIRE WARDEN TRAINING
 On Thursday 18th January at 7pm, St Mary Magdalen's Church, Willesden Green, will be holding a Deanery Fire Warden Training session. We need as many fire wardens as possible for the Church, in the hope that we always have one or two present at any Mass. Should you wish to volunteer for this role, please speak to Fr Allan or Chelsea.

NEW PARISHIONER?
 Please take a registration form from the porch & return to the Presbytery.

FR TERRY MURRAY RIP
 We send our condolences to the parish of Quex Road and to the Oblates on the sudden death of Fr Terry. May he rest in peace. His funeral is taking place on 28th December at Quex Road at 12noon, with his body going into the church the night before on the 27th December at 7pm.

PLEASE PRAY FOR ALL THOSE IN THE PARISH WHO ARE SICK AND/OR HOUSEBOUND AND ALSO FOR THOSE WHO HAVE NOBODY ELSE TO PRAY FOR THEM

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FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT

24th December 2023

PARISH TEAM
 Parish Priest
Monsignor Roger Reader
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Assistant Priest
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Italian Chaplaincy
Fr Natalino Mignolli

Parish Secretary
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 Parish office open: Friday 29th December 9:30am - 2:00pm
 usual hours resume 2nd Jan.

Sunday Masses: (Sat 5pm)
 Sun 8am & 10am
Italian Mass: Sun 11:30am
Weekday Masses: Mon, Tues, Wed, Thurs & Fri 10am
Confession: Sat 4pm before Mass or by appointment
Exposition: Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday & Friday before Mass

LAST WEEKS OFFERING
 £463.85
NOVEMBER'S STANDING ORDERS
 £3,222.63
CONTACTLESS INCOME NOVEMBER
 £494.70
 Thank you for your contribution to the Parish!
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Last Sunday morning I made my way deepest, darkest Surrey. I was going to see 'The Wintershall Nativity.' I had been recommended it by a friend, but, as we crawled around the M25 in the minibus, I wondered whether it would be worth the effort. My fears started to dispel when we arrived in the car park. To our left was a little hut with some real sheep in a pen. It was the first time for me that I had been so near to a real sheep. We were in the open countryside, the wind blowing around us, but we soon got involved in the events of the Nativity unfolding before us. There were real people, real sheep, a real donkey and real horses. As we settled down in a huge barn to see the place where Jesus was born, I could hear a young child behind me asking her dad - 'Will there be a real baby?' I think most of us were expecting a large doll to take the part of Jesus, but - wonder of wonders - there was indeed a real baby. It was extraordinary the difference that made to the whole experience. At the centre of the stage, there was that most vulnerable of beings - a tiny baby, looking around, blinking, and gurgling. This is Jesus Christ. This real baby made so clear to me the miracle of the Incarnation. So much more than any painting or sculpture, so see a real baby in all his vulnerability focusses the heart and soul on the essence of this day. Jesus is not a distant, abstract idea, but a real flesh and blood baby born in Bethlehem.



Oh, Wonder of wonders, which none can unfold,
 The Ancient of days is an hour or two old;
 The Maker of all things is made of the earth,
 Man is worshipped by Angels, and God comes to birth.

Monsignor Roger.



Wishing you all a very happy and Holy Christmas.
 Monsignor Roger, Fr Allan, Fr Natalino, Fr Ruwan & Chelsea.

