



St. Theresa's Birstall and Sacred Heart Rothley
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Fourth Sunday of Advent Page 32 First Week of Christmastide

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Mon, Tue & Wed (9.00 AM-12.30 PM)



Thought for the Week

God has appeared once again on this earth in a visible manner! God has come to dwell once more among men as His brothers and family members! Behold God made Man, Jesus Christ, full of love, full of desire of dwelling for ever among us on this earth!

Sat 23rd December	Advent Feria	6.00 PM	Mass (ST) Clarence and Grace Drake RIP Jean Newell RIP
Sun 24th December	Fourth Sunday of Advent The Nativity of the Lord (Solemnity)	9.15 AM 11.15 AM 3.00 PM 6.00 PM 7.00PM	Mass (ST) Mass (SH) Crib Service (ST) Mass (ST) Helen Murphy RIP Mass Carols 6.30 PM (SH)
Mon 25th December	The Nativity of the Lord (Solemnity)	9.00 AM	Mass (ST)
Tues 26th December	St Stephen (Feast)	9.15 AM	Liturgy Service (SH)
Wed 27th December	St John, Apostle and Evangelist (Feast)	9.15 AM	Liturgy Service(ST)
Thurs 28th December	The Holy Innocents, martyrs (Feast)		No Service
Fri 29th December	St Thomas of Canterbury (Becket) Bishop and martyr (Feast)	9.15 AM 6.00 PM	Mass and Adoration (SH) Mass (ST)
Sat 30th December	Sixth Day Within the Octave of Christmas	6.00 PM	Mass (ST) Clarence & Grace Drake RIP Jean Newell RIP
Sun 31stDecember	The Holy Family (Feast)	9.15 AM 10.15 AM 11.15 AM	Mass (ST) Baptism Mia Billington (ST) Mass (SH)

Offertory Collection

Envelopes: £ 106.00
Loose Plate: £467
Total : £573.70

Thank you

Direct Debit details of Parish Account

For those who would like to use our online banking: Standing Order—Account name: St. Theresa Birstall RCP
A/C No 03831076
Sort Code: 309618
If you are setting up a Direct Debit for the Lottery, please mark it Charity Account.

Confessions

There will be confessions at St. Theresa's before Saturday evening mass from 5.15-5.45pm. Please see below for additional times before Christmas.

Sacrament of Reconciliation St Theresa's

Tuesday December 19th, 5.00 - 6.30 pm Friday December 22nd, 6.30 pm onwards Sat December 23rd 5.15- 5.45pm

Sacred Heart Sunday December 17th 10.45- 11.15 am and after Mass - Friday December 22nd 10.00am

Christmas Services

Christmas Eve - 24th December

3.00 PM Crib Service at St. Theresa's. Feel free to come dressed as shepherds, sheep, kings or angels to help tell the Christmas story.

6.00 PM Vigil Mass St. Theresa's 7.00PM - Vigil Mass - Sacred Heart. Carols at 6.30PM

There will be refreshments served in the hall at both churches after the vigil Masses

Christmas Day - December 25th 9.00AM -Mass - St. Theresa's This is the only Mass on Christmas Day

Boxing Day Tuesday 26th December - Sacred Heart 9.15AM Eucharistic Service.

The collections at both Vigil Masses and on Christmas Day will be for the Rosmini Institute of Charity.

Carols at Sacred Heart Church at 6.30pm on 24th December, before the Vigil Mass.

Fr Jonson's birthday is on Saturday December 30th. There will be a card for signing and a box for any donations you would like to make for him in the narthex/porch at both churches starting this Saturday. Please go through to the hall after Mass and share a drink with him after the 6.00 pm Mass on the 30th.

The Parish Christmas Concert. This was a great evening of Christmas music and carols from soloists, bands and choirs who displayed some of the great talent we have in the parish. A total of £442 was raised which will be divided between the parish and LOROS.

Altar Servers If anyone would like to train as an altar server, please contact the office and give your details. Training will commence in January on a Friday evening before 6pm Mass (date to be arranged).

Christmas flowers. Thank you for the donations for Christmas flowers which raised £ 180.00.

Missio Boxes The next collection is due at the end of November and boxes can be left in the narthex or porch at both churches. If you need your box collecting from home, please contact Derek Palmer on 07870 159010

Charitable Donation Would the person who paid into the church account in November under the name of PLM Essentia please speak to Daphne or Gordon. Thank you.

London Marathon 2024 - Richard Miranda will be running to raise funds for the Activity Alliance Charity to support their research and programmes that enable disabled people to be and stay active and be fully included in our society. There will be an appeal on the weekend of 6-7 January 2024.

DECEMBER ANNIVERSARIES

Lily Cooper, Agnes Miller, Yvonne Wagemaker, Helen Murphy, Margaret Clarke

RECENTLY DECEASED

June Philips Jean Newell Jonathan Ball

PLEASE PRAY FOR THOSE WHO ARE SICK

Carolyn Hanley, Oliver Vanderfejst, Wendy Mitchell, Leah Hollard, Mercedes Mena, Malcolm Smith,
Fr John Daley, Brenda, Pat O'Connor, Pauline McNeill