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**The Church of Our Most Holy Redeemer
and Saint Thomas More
Cheyne Row, Chelsea**



Holy Family in the Grandes Heures of Anne of Brittany, 1503–1508, Jean Bourdichon

Newsletter 31st DECEMBER 2023

31 DECEMBER:

THE HOLY FAMILY OF JESUS MARY AND JOSEPH

Monday: SOLEMNITY OF MARY, THE HOLY MOTHER OF GOD

Tuesday: St Basil the Great and St Gregory Nazianzen, bishops

MASS

Monday (New Year's Day): 10.00am

Tuesday to Friday: 8.00am

Saturday: 10.00am, (Vigil) 6.30pm

Sunday: 10.00am, 11.00am, 12.15pm, 6.30pm

Confessions: Saturday 5.30pm to 6.00pm

Morning Prayer:

Monday 9.45am, Tuesday to Friday 7.45am

Saturday 9.45am Sunday 9.30am

Donations to the Parish can be made via HSBC:

Sort code: 40-05-20, Account no: 91094386

Account name: WRCDT Holy Redeemer Church Chelsea.

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SOLEMNITY OF MARY, THE HOLY MOTHER OF GOD

On Monday 1 January, New Year's Day, Mass will be celebrated at 10.00am. From the following day, 2 January, Mass on will be celebrated at 8.00am on weekdays.

THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

This year the solemnity of the Epiphany is transferred to Sunday 7 January. Mass will be celebrated at the usual Sunday times.

THANK YOU

Canon Paschal would like to thank all those who have given or sent him cards, greetings or presents for Christmas. Also, as a parish, we thank those who helped prepare the Church for Christmas as well as those who assisted with the music and the liturgy. Many of our visitors have expressed their appreciation for the opportunity to worship here.

WESTMINSTER DIOCESE YEARBOOK

The 2024 edition of the Westminster Diocese Yearbook, which provides information about the diocese, as well as listing all the Catholic priests, parishes, schools and societies in this diocese, is now available: price £5.

CATHOLIC UNION SEEKS NEW DIRECTOR

The Catholic Union of Great Britain, founded in 1870 to represent the views of lay Catholics to Government and Parliament, is currently recruiting a new Director. A major part of the CU's work is educating parliamentarians and the public about those aspects of Catholic moral and social teaching that are relevant to issues of public policy. Closing date for applications: 15 January. For more details: catholicunion.org.uk/jobs

CHRISTMAS CAROL SERVICE

We are very grateful to all those who made our Christmas Carol Service. Many people, parishioners and others, gave of their time and talents. The sale of tickets raised over £2,000 for the Royal Marsden Children's Fund.

ORDER OF MALTA PILGRIMAGE TO LOURDES, 3 – 9 May

There are some spaces available for assisted pilgrims with the 2024 Order of Malta Lourdes Pilgrimage, 3 - 9 May.

They will be cared for by volunteers and a qualified medical team. Hospital-style accommodation is in shared, single-sex rooms in the Accueil. Departure and return from Stansted. Cost: £500 per person (financial assistance available in appropriate cases) To find out more please contact Duncan McKechnie: 07990 594441 or hospitalpilgrims.secretary@orderofmalta.org.uk.

FRIENDS OF THE HOLY LAND

Cardinal Vincent Nichols has particularly asked that, especially in this times of crisis, we support the work done by this charity through its contacts in Gaza. Friends of the Holy Land is a non-political Christian charity. They are currently supporting the beleaguered community in Gaza. Both Christians and Muslims have found refuge in the churches supported by the Friends of the Holy Land, who remarkably have managed to continue to get funds to Gaza. To donate, see www.friendsoftheholylan.org.uk or directly to their Nat West bank account, name: Friends of the Holy Land. Sort code: 60-05-41 Account number: 24591211.

CHILDREN'S LITURGY

The Children's Liturgy group is taking a Christmas holiday and will meet again on 14 January.

FOOD DONATIONS

People in this neighbourhood need our support. Tins and unopened packets of food can be left in the box at the back of the church, to be distributed to through the SVP or the Food Bank at St Luke's Church. Check your donation is not past its Best Before Date.

BOOKS FOR CHILDREN

There are some new books for younger children in the bookcase under the picture of Christ, the Good Shepherd. Please return them to the bookshelf after reading, whether in church or at home.

SAFE IN FAITH

Safe in Faith is a project of Caritas Westminster, working to support survivors of domestic abuse, sexual violence and exploitation in ways that understand how their faith impacts their experiences. This is a Catholic organization, based in the values of Catholic Social Teaching, working with people of different faiths. For more information see safeinfaith.org.uk.