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### FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT – 22 DECEMBER 2024

### NATIVITY OF OUR LORD – 25 DECEMBER 2024

### HOLY FAMILY OF JESUS, MARY & JOSEPH – 29 DECEMBER 2024

#### WEEKEND & WEEKDAYS HOLY MASS TIMES

Datchet	Sat 21	06.00pm	4th Sunday of Advent <i>Holy Souls</i>	<b>Fri 27</b>	<b>NO MASS</b>	
Eton	Sun 22	09.30am	4th Sunday of Advent <i>Holy Souls</i>	<b>Sat 28</b>	<b>NO MASS</b>	
Datchet	Sun 22	11.00am	4th Sunday of Advent <i>Caroline Ansell RIP</i>	Eton	Sun 29	09.30am Mass of the Holy Family <i>Holy Souls</i>
Datchet	Mon 23	09.30am	Mass <i>Holy Souls</i>	Datchet	Sun 29	11.00am Mass of the Holy Family <i>People of the Parish</i>
Datchet	Tue 24	08.30pm	Carols & Children's Christmas Play	Datchet	Mon 30	09.30am Holy Souls
		09.00pm	Vigil Christmas Mass <i>People of the Parish</i>	<b>Tue 31</b>	<b>NO MASS</b>	
Eton	Wed 25	09.00am	Carols	Datchet	Wed 01	09.30am Mary, Mother of God <i>Holy Souls</i>
		09.30am	Christmas Morning Mass <i>Janet Manley RIP</i>			
Datchet	Wed 25	11.00am	Christmas Day Mass <i>People of the Parish</i>	<b>Thu 02</b>	<b>NO MASS</b>	
Datchet	Thu 26	09.30am	St. Stephen <i>David Hopkins Int.</i>	<b>Fri 03</b>	<b>NO MASS</b>	

Please note above the changes to Mass times between Saturday 21 December and Friday 03 January.

<b>ROSARY:</b> Twenty minutes prior to Holy Mass.	<b>CONFESSION:</b> Any Weekday after the Mass / by appointment
<b>BENEDICTION:</b> Every Thursday after 9.30am Mass	<b>EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION:</b> Weekdays before Mass from 8.30am

#### MESSAGE FROM FR. SHYJU

Today we hear the story of the visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary to Elizabeth. When they greeted each other, the child, who was to become John the Baptist, leapt in Elizabeth's womb. What a powerful greeting that was, filled with the Holy Spirit. During this Christmas let us greet others not only with "Merry Christmas", but let us greet them with a message of our celebration of Christ's Birth. Let us share the Joy of his presence in our lives.

**SICK OF THE PARISH:** Please pray for James Ansell, Maria Cordosa, Maggie and Peter Darbin, Fred Flaherty, Sheila Jones, Madleen Magic, Terri Nicoll, Nino Puma, Eithne Reynolds, Roger Stewart and Linda Webb. If anyone would like to have a priest visit them or others who are sick, kindly speak to Fr. Shyju.

**OFFERTORY:** 14 / 15 December: Cash £ 232 SOs £220.

**SECOND COLLECTION last weekend for SHOC.** (Slough Homeless Our Concern). £ 588

**TEA & COFFEE** will be available after the 9.30am Mass in Eton on Sunday 22 December. Please come along.

**CHRISTMAS OFFERTORY COLLECTION:** In keeping with tradition, the collection in Churches at Christmas is offered by Parishioners as a sincere and personal thank you for the dedication and service of their Parish Priest. This Parish has been greatly blessed by having Fr. Shyju come and serve us as our Priest upon the retirement of Fr. Frank. Those who will not be attending Mass on Christmas Eve or Christmas Day in our Parish, may wish to place their donation in an envelope marked Christmas Offertory for Fr. Shyju in one of the Offertory collections prior to or shortly after Christmas. Donations can be made in cash or by cheque made payable to ST. AUGUSTINE'S, (please do not make your cheque payable to Fr. Shyju).

**CHRISTMAS CONCERT:** Thank you to everybody who attended our Christmas Concert last Sunday 15 December in St. Augustine's Hall and who collectively made it into one of the memorable events of our Parish Year. There was a joyful atmosphere with everybody joining in the singing under the leadership of the Parish Choir – Ros Nockles, Jules Potter, Kathleen Shaw and Monica Casey, and the Musicians, Dominic Price and Phil Mason. A big thank you to the Choir and Musicians. Also a special thank you goes to Chris Grey, Monica Taylor and others for organising and serving refreshments.



The proceeds from the raffle held at the Concert have been added to the Second Collection taken last weekend and have been donated to **SHOC, Slough Homeless Our Concern**. Thank you also to everybody for bringing extra donations for the **Slough Foodbank** last weekend. The numerous bags of food, toiletries and household items have all been taken to the Foodbank.

**100 CLUB DRAW:** This was held at the Christmas Concert. Congratulations to the winners, who were Bob Forsyth, James Rice and Sylia D'Mello-Burchall. They have won £100 each.

#### **MESSAGE**

A warm welcome to those who are joining us in our Parish this Christmas. For those who are travelling to join family and friends for Christmas, may you travel safely.

This Newsletter on our website, covers the two week period from Saturday 21 December to Friday 3 January (inclusive). Our next Newsletter to be available on the website will be on Saturday 4 January.

#### **PLEASE CONTINUE TO SUPPORT THE FOODBANK**

Boxes for donations can be found in each Church. The items on their Shopping List are:

**Food Urgent:** long life fruit juice, tinned fruit, tinned tuna, tinned vegetables, long life custard, cooking sauces, coffee, tinned spaghetti, long-life milk, instant mash, soup, long-life rice pudding

**Always required:** tea, long life sponge puddings, tinned tomatoes, tinned meat

*Please note they have a 12 month supply of PASTA. It is NOT NEEDED*

**Toiletries & Basic Items Urgent:** washing up liquid, shampoo, deodorant, shaving foam/gel, toothpaste, child toothbrushes, nappies size 6+, 7 & 8

**Always required:** soap, toilet rolls, strong carrier bags+